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#### September 2, 2018

#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION:** MK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Judgment tends to have a bad reputation. We often associate it with condemnation, and in the Gospels, we associate it with the Pharisees. Today's Gospel features the Pharisees doing exactly what we expect. "They observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands." The Jewish people had strict purification laws that applied to all areas of life. The Pharisees attempt to accuse Jesus of not following the ancestral traditions. Jesus doesn't take offense at their judgments per se. He instead points out the hypocrisy of their words. "You hypocrites. This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me."

From there, Jesus turns his attention to the concerns of the heart. "The things that come from within are what defile." He lists off a number of sins, including some the

Pharisees were likely struggling with, including evil thoughts, envy, and arrogance. When we examine the list, perhaps we're reminded of our own trips to the confessional! As we strive to follow Jesus and live with integrity, we must be aware of our hearts. We must judge our own actions. Are they leading us closer to God or away from Him? Are we growing in love of our neighbor, or are we becoming more closed in on ourselves?

As we move into this week, consider the state of our own heart. Perhaps you are overly scrupulous in less important areas. Perhaps there are large areas of overlooked sin that you've excused for too long. Whatever it is, the judgment of God need not cripple us. He offers us a share in His mercy as soon as we turn to Him. This week, allow your heart to be transformed!

#### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

In response to how the Pharisees and scribes lived their faith, Jesus said, "This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me." Both good and evil impulses come from our hearts. Which one has the upper hand depends on how well a person has taken on the mind and heart of God. How well we live our faith is determined by the same. As Pope Francis tells us, Jesus is present in all of our brothers and sisters, especially those who endure suffering like his own. Our world is full of tragedy, conflict, and suffering: slave labor, diseases, wars, terrorism, exploitation, famine, human trafficking. We cannot simply pay lip service to the evils of the world. We must act!

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

#### MASS SCHEDULE

 Holy Days of Obligation 8:00 am and 7:00 pm

Every first Monday of the month we celebrate a Healing Mass and administer the Sacrament of the Sick.

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

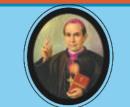
He summoned the crowd again and said to

them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand.

Nothing that enters one from outside can defile

that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15

## IN OUR PARISH



**Parish Mission Statement** We, the people of St. Anthony Mary Claret Parish, have as our mission to open our hearts and doors to those from all walks of life so that they, too, may share in the everlasting presence of God. Together we strive to grow closer to Jesus Christ through the Holy Eucharist. We work to foster the development of the parish, not only to strengthen our own spiritual awareness, but to impact the community as a whole.



As pastor of St. Anthony Mary Claret Catholic Church, I want to express welcome from all of us to you for choosing to become a member of our parish family. We hope you will always feel at home here and that our worship and other parochial services will fulfill your spiritual needs. Please complete an online registra-

tion form at samesa.com or a printed one which you can find near the entrance of our church in the narthex. Return it to the parish office or drop it in the collection basket at your convenience.

I hope we are making you feel welcome here!

Sincerely in Christ,

Dr. Jan Lluk

Reverend Jan P. Klak



#### This Week's Parish Spotlight

#### **BAPTISMS**

Isabella Belen Medina, child of David & Victoria Medina Bentley Cooper Faulkner, child of Stephanie Faulkner Isaiah Demitri & Jeremiah Isaac Acuna, children of Rito & Delma Acuna Jose Mario Reyna III, child of Jose Reyna & Amanda Isley Hayden Matthew Stephens, child of Ryan Stephens & Amanda Isley Xavier Jacob Mansour, child of John & Jacqueline Mansour **WEDDINGS** 

Emmanuel Amedzrovi & Amah Roseline Josiane N'Govet

### MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

#### **WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTION TOTALS** A ..... 0 E /00

Aug.	25/26	
Attendance		3,877
Regular Collection	\$	27,847.00
Religious Education	\$	6,860.00
Debt Reduction	\$	3,805.00
Candles	\$	428.51
Capital Campaign	\$	230.00
Rosary Makers	\$	150.00
SAMC Pantry	\$	125.00
Gabriel Project	\$	50.00

#### **SACRAMENT SCHEDULE**

#### **Reconciliation (Confession)**

Weekdays: 7:30 a.m.; Saturdays: 4 p.m.-last in line Sundays: 9 a.m.-12 p.m. (or last in line), 2-2:50 p.m., 4 p.m. – last in line

Baptism—Required Classes: First Tues. & Thurs. of the month, 7:30 p.m. Call parish office to register.

Visitation of the Sick:

Call parish office to schedule visit.

**Funeral Arrangements:** Contact parish office prior to making arrangements.

> MONDAY EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR & MASS Holy Hour - 6:30 p.m.

Mass - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept.	1	Wednesday, Sep	ot. 5
8 A.M.	George Kist, Jr. † by Jeff Kist	8 A.M.	Birthday Blessings for Nora Clare Wessel
5 P.M.	Spiritual Healing/Spiritual Strength for		by Bea Peterson
	Current & Future Descendants of Daniel	-	
	<b>R.</b> † & Manuela M. Gonzales † by Y. Gonzales	Thursday, Sept.	
Sandar Sant 3		8 A.M.	Special Intention for James & Henry Pawelek
Sunday, Sept. 2 8 A.M.	Birthday Blessings for Guillermina Davila by		& Alois & Florence Olenick by Olenick Family
0 A.WI.	Family	Friday, Sept. 7	
10 A.M.	Armando Fleras † by Prescilla Velasquez	8 A.M.	Birthday Blessing for Teresa Roark by Family
12 P.M.	Mary & William Sill † by Cheryl Koerner	7 <b>P.M</b> .	Mass of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin
	<b>Debra Saenz † &amp; Robert Reynolds †</b> by	/ 1 01/1.	Mary
	Lydia Reynolds and Family		v
3 P.M.	For the Parish	Saturday, Sept. 8	
6 P.M.	Birthday Blessings for Raymond John	5 P.M.	Joseph † & Ella Kopech †; Joseph L. Stein †;
	Peterson by Bea Peterson		Robert † & Floranna Stein †; Richard
	Agnese Manera † & Adelia Pelosin † by		Caldwell, Jr. † by Blanchard Family
	Mayra Finley	Sunday Sont 0	
Monday, Sept. 3		Sunday, Sept. 9 8 A.M.	Birthday Blessings for Amelia Banda by
8 A.M.	Rodolfo Luna Guhit † by Natalia, Joe, Nancy,	0 A.WI.	Family
	Nora & Family	10 A.M.	<b>Daniel Arzola, Jr.</b> † by Gonzales Family
6:30 P.M.	Holy Hour	12 P.M.	For the Parish
7:30 P.M.	For the Sick of the Parish	3 P.M.	Samuel Valverde † by Estringel Family
		6 P.M.	Anniversary Blessings for Leslie & Andy
Tuesday, Sept. 4	l de la companya de l		Wessel by Bea Peterson
8 A.M.	<b>Felicidad Calderon</b> † by Mendoza Family <b>Serge Belanger</b> † by Apolinar Family		Jean Belanger † by Darlene Belanger

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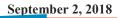
#### **RESPECT LIFE**

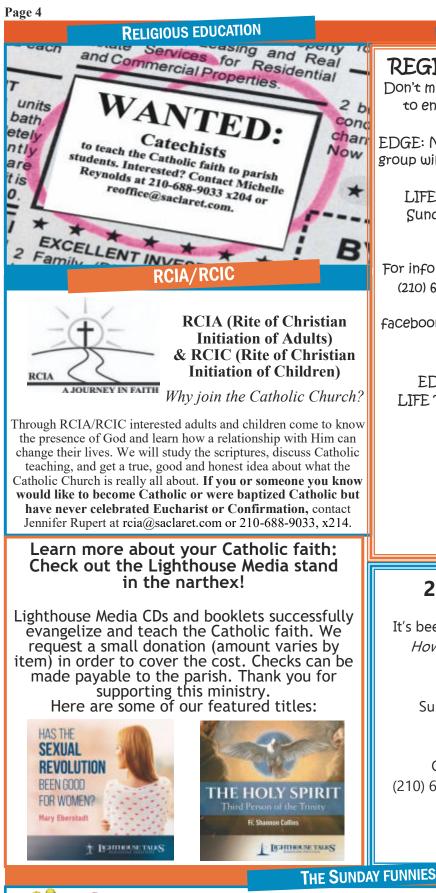




Wednesday, Sept. 19, 12 - 3 p.m. Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Guest speaker Ruben Villanueva will talk about Medicaid, Medicare and health insurance open enrollment for seniors. Bring a covered dish to share, table games or cards, and canned good donations for St. Anthony Claret's Pantry. For info, contact Larry Lucido at (210) 473-4813. New members welcome! 55+.





# **YOUTH GROUP**

**REGISTER NOW!** Don't miss the opportunity

to encounter Christ!



EDGE: Middle school youth

group will meet Sundays, 6-8 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall

LIFE TEEN: High school youth group will meet Sundays, starting with 6 p.m. Mass followed by 7-9 p.m. in Msgr. Hubertus Hall.

For info contact Youth Director Martie Kokotajlo at (210) 688-9033, ×209 or <u>youthgroup@saclaret.com</u>. Follow us on Facebook & Instagram: facebook.com/youthsamc & Instagram.com/youthsamc

# Youth Group Kick off Nights

EDGE KICK-OFF: Sunday, Sept. 9, 6-8 p.m. LIFE TEEN KICK-OFF: Sunday, Sept. 16, 7-9 p.m.



# 2018 TEEN ACTS REUNION

It's been a few weeks since your Teen ACTS retreat. *How you are doing with your journey to grow your relationship with Christ?* Join us for Mass, food & fellowship Sunday, Sept. 23, 12 p.m. Mass followed by Lunch in Msgr. Hubertus Hall. Wear your Teen ACTS shirt. Questions? Contact Martie Kokotajlo at (210) 688-9033, x209 or <u>youthgroup@saclaret.com</u>.





A football coach walked into the locker room before a game, looked over to his star player and said, "I'm not supposed to let you play since you failed math, but we need you in there. So I have to ask you a math question and if you get it right, you can play." The player agreed. The coach looked into his eyes intently and asks, "Okay, now concentrate... what is two plus two?" The player thought for a moment and then he answered, "Four?" "Did you say four?!?" the coach exclaimed, excited that he got it right. At that, all the other players on the team began screaming, "Come on coach, give him another chance!"

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# **COMMUNITY NEWS**



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To download the Online Guide Section: 1.Visit www.GuideBookPublishing.com/booklist.php. 2.Click on our state followed by our city 3. Click on the name of our congregation to download. Stroke Scan Plus Medical Team will offer a St. Anthony Mary Claret Ultrasound **Health Screening Event** Sept. 13, 14 & 15

Courtyard Marriott SeaŴorld/Westover Hills, 11605 Hwy 151 *Morning, afternoon and evening appointments available* Open to parishioners, their family & friends

Pre-register after all Masses next weekend, Sept. 8/9 or call 1-866-935-7226 to schedule your appointment. Coordinators will be here to answer your questions.

*Prevention is key! Up to 80% of all strokes can be* prevented with early detection and screenings such as this.

## **FAITH & PRAYER**

# **PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!**

Join the St. Anthony Mary Claret Vocations Committee this month as they pray for local seminarians and for an increase in vocations to religious life. These seminarians will be the recipients of your prayers this month:





Ian Robbins

Bernardo Castañeda

The committee also commends to your intercession a group committed to the consecrated life: *Brothers of the Beloved Disciple.* 

Loving God, you call all who believe in you to grow perfect in love by following in the footsteps of Christ your Son. Call from among us more men and women who will serve you as religious. By their way of life, may they provide a convincing sign of your Kingdom for the Church and the whole world. W e ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention -September



Young People in Africa: That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of

Mary, I offer You my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world. I offer them for all the intentions of Your Sacred Heart: the salvation of souls, reparation for sin, and the reunion of all Christians. I offer them for the intentions of our bishops and of all Apostles of Prayer, and in particular for those recommended by our Holy Father this month.

Intención del Santo Padre Francisco - Septiembre Los jóvenes del África: Para que los jóvenes del continente africano tengan acceso a la educación y al trabajo en sus propios países.

Dios, Padre nuestro, yo te ofrezco toda mi jornada, mis oraciones, pensamientos, afectos y deseos, palabras, obras, alegrías y sufrimientos en unión con el Corazón de tu Hijo Jesucristo que sigue ofreciéndose a Ti en la Eucaristía para la salvación del mundo. Que el Espíritu Santo, que guió a Jesús, sea mi guía y mi fuerza en este día para que pueda ser testigo de tu amor. Con María, la madre del Señor y de la Iglesia, pido especialmente por las intenciones del Papa y de nuestros obispos para este mes.

# PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Lord, You invite all who are burdened to come to You. Allow your healing hand to assist them. Touch their souls with Your compassion for others. Touch their hearts with Your courage and infinite love for all. Touch their minds with Your wisdom, that their mouths may always proclaim Your praise. Teach them to reach out to You in their need, and help them to lead others to You by their example. Most loving Heart of Jesus, bring them health in body and spirit that they may serve You with all their strength. Touch gently these lives which You have created, now and forever. Amen.

Sophia Hampton Krystal Navarro Rick Salinas Elvira Sanchez S.T. Judy Cooper Mary John Phinizy Eloise Salazar Maria Morales Rosa Huerta Johnny Reyes Tomas Calderon Richard Keller Barbara Vanegas Jack & Jeanette Donohue Rudy Navarro A.C. Garza Olga & Rudy Faz Dee Hancock Grace Heinze Adrian & Erika Huerter Bill Jennings Robyn Marcum Margie Morones Tracy Oviedo Alyson Victoria Oviedo Linda Santos Mary Sledden Nancy Souhrada Bertha Trevino Roberto Trevino Gabby Truly Bishop Yanta Anthony Trevino

HEAVENLY HEALING...THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK WILL BE OFFERED AT A MASS OF HEALING ON MONDAY, SEPT. 3 AT 7:30 P.M. THE PRAYER PETITION BOX WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH NARTHEX FOR YOUR INTENTIONS.



*In Sympathy*...The parish community extends its condolences to parishioner *Cindy Calderon* whose father, Danny Cortez, recently passed away. *Heavenly Father, welcome Danny into your presence and grant his loved ones comfort, love and peace. Amen.* 

# THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 2: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 Monday 3: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Lk 4:16-30 Tuesday 4: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Lk 4:31-37 Wednesday 5: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Lk 4:38-44 Thursday 6: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Lk 5:1-11 Friday 7: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Lk 5:33-39 Saturday 8: Mi 5:1-4a/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 Sunday 9: Is 35:4-7a/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37







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