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September 9, 2018

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL MEDITATION: MK 7:31-37

"Jesus went by way of Sidon, into the district of the Decapolis." For most of Jesus' ministry, he remains in Galilee and areas with a predominantly Jewish population. Today, however, we see Jesus traveling through a heavily pagan area. This makes the utterance of faith in today's Gospel all the more astounding. "He has done all things well."

In this story, a deaf man is brought to Jesus. This man is not without community. Despite communication difficulties due to a speech impediment, his people bring him before Jesus. Jesus lays hands upon the man and commands his broken body to change. "Be opened!' Immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly." The community is stunned. They can't stop telling the story. The more Jesus asks them to settle down, the more they proclaim! The Jewish

23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue: then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphathal"—that is, "Be opened!" – Ma 7-336-34

people expected a Messiah but a Messiah with very particular qualifications. The Greeks and pagans anticipated no such savior. There were no expectations to meet. They had a special capacity to be completely, utterly surprised.

As Catholics, it can be easy to become accustomed to the songs and the prayers, to the routine of religious education drop-offs and Sunday Mass attendance. By now, we may have very particular expectations. When was the last time you allowed yourself to be surprised by God? Sometimes we are all like the deaf man in today's Gospel. God wants to speak to us, but we can't hear clearly. In your prayer this week, go before God honestly. Give yourself permission to drop your expectations and assumptions. Ask Him to renew your faith to show you how, in your life, "He has done all things well."

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We often associate the word "healing" with something that produces dramatic, physical results: the blind see, the crippled walk, and the deaf hear. Witnessing such miraculous events is few and far between for most. Healing happens more frequently in very ordinary ways using very ordinary means. And we can all be God's instruments for bringing it about. Kindness, love, mercy, and compassion can go a very long way. Treating people with kindness, being inclusive and welcoming of the poor, the weak, and the powerless, listening to another's story and pain, offering compassion and love to those who have wronged us, avoiding hurtful criticisms and watching our tongues. All can go a long way to changing and healing human hearts. There is power in love and kindness. Does this power not speak of someone greater than ourselves working in and through us?

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	8:00 am, 7:30 pm
Monday (Holy Hour)	
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	
Saturday	
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, Noon, 3:00 pm (

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.

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.

WELCOME!

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,

Fa. Jan Llul

Reverend Jan P. Klak



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTION TOTALS

Sept. 1/2

	3,422
\$ 2	26,382.21
\$	5,969.00
\$	443.20
\$	112.00
\$	55.00
\$	20.00
	\$ \$ \$

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.



This Week's Parish Spotlight

BAPTISMS Kaliah Saleen Sanchez. child of Arturo & Dariann Sanchez



MONDAY EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR & MASS

Holy Hour - 6:30 p.m.; Mass - 7:30 p.m.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

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5 P.M. Joseph † & Ella Kopech †; Joseph L.

Stein †; Robert † & Floranna Stein †;

Richard Caldwell, Jr. † by Blanchard Family

Thursday, Sept. 13

Billie Sievers † by Charlie Sievers 8 A.M.

Sunday, Sept. 9

8 A.M. Birthday Blessings for Amelia Banda by

Family

10 A.M. Daniel Arzola, Jr. † by Gonzales Family

12 P.M. For the Parish

Samuel Valverde † by Estringel Family 3 P.M. 6 P.M. **Anniversary Blessings for Leslie & Andy**

Wessel by Bea Peterson

Jean Belanger † by Darlene Belanger

Concepcion Espinoza † by Espinoza Family

Friday, Sept. 14

Saturday, Sept. 15

8 A.M. **Birthday Blessings for Jose Luis Rodriguez**

by Rodriguez Family

5 P.M.

Daniel R. † & Manuela M. Gonzales †;

Poor Souls in Purgatory †; Spiritual Healing & Strength for Priests; Marco Roman; Patrick Zuberbueler; RCIA & Confirmation Students by M. Gonzales

Monday, Sept. 10

8 A.M. **Special Intention for Jose Flores** by Family

6:30 P.M. Holy Hour

7:30 P.M. Lisa Alaniz † by Family

Marisa Hernandez † by Darlene Belanger

Sunday, Sept. 16 8 A.M.

Francesco †, Carmela †, Sebastiano †,

Corrado † & Giovanni † by Sal Spataro Special Intention for Alan J. Ponce †;

10 A.M.

Margaret † & Albert Suarez † by Alma

Ponce

12 P.M. For the Parish

3 P.M. Graciano Ruiz † by Daughters Judy &

Yolanda

Johnny Hernandez † by Shirley Hernandez 6 P.M.

Tuesday, Sept. 11

8 A.M. **Anniversary Blessings for Michelle &**

Anthony Semas by Family

Wednesday, Sept. 12

8 A.M. Rudy† & Selia Garcia †; Manuel † &

RESPECT LIFE

Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life: Aug. 3— Sept. 28, 2018



Join Call to Prayer efforts at www.usccb.org/pray. For additional materials: http://www.usccb.org/issuesand-action/take-actionnow/call-to-prayer/legal-protection-of-human-

Que un cambio en la Suprema Corte de EE. UU. lleve a nuestra nación al día en que cada ser humano sea protegido por la ley y acogido.

Intercessions for Life

For all who hold public office: may profound reverence for the dignity of every person be deeply rooted in their hearts. We pray to the Lord.

Intercesiones por la Vida

Por todos los que tienen un cargo público: para que el respeto profundo por la dignidad de cada persona nazca profundamente en su corazón. Roguemos al Señor.

PARISH NEWS

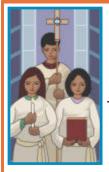


Treat your spouse to a free date night every third Friday of the month!

St. Anthony Mary Claret Marriage Ministry Date Night an evening of fellowship and enrichment for married and engaged couples Friday, Sept. 21, 7-9 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall Topic: How to Preserve Your Marriage Within Your Home Special Guest Speakers: Deacon Jerry and Mary Campa Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

Free childcare available, but you MUST register in advance with Samantha Reyna at samantha.reyna07@yahoo.com NO LATER THAN Wednesday, Sept. 19.

Questions? Contact Chris and Nicole Glowe at cnglowe@yahoo.com or 210-257-6616. Learn more about the Beloved Program at https://www.augustineinstitute.org/formed/beloved/.



Young gentlemen and ladies have you thought about becoming an altar server at the Lord's Table?

New Altar Server Training Session

Saturday, Sept. 29, 9:30 a.m in the church
To be eligible to serve you must have received your first
communion, have a deep love and reverence for God
and a willingness to serve the Lord For info, contact
Deacon Jerry Kozar at 210-679-8434.

Children's Choir Rehearsals

Every Thursday in the Church

Ages 5-8, 5:15 -5:45 p.m.; Ages 9-12: 6-6:45 p.m.

To register contact Children's Choir

Director Paul Rauschhuber at 210-688-9033, x207

or sacredmusic@saclaret.com.

St. Anthony Mary Claret MOMs (Ministry of Motherhood)

a Catholic group helping mothers find encouragement, instruction, prayer time & caring friends Join us for a meet & greet Wednesday, Sept. 12, 9 a.m., bldg. B



CATHOLIC HOMESCHOOL MINISTRY KICK-OFF

Meet other moms & Learn more about our monthly meetings to begin in october.

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- pack & plays in the narthex or religious ed. bldg.
- church office during business hours
- donation bin outside of the Gabriel Project bldg.
- Gabriel Project bldg. Thursdays 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Thank you for your continued support.



Introductory Orientation Catechist Workshop Saturday, Sept. 15, RE bldg., 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Designed primarily to assist in preparing new volunteer parish catechists with no previous formation or experience. Provided by training catechists from the diocesan office. Discussion over Basic Level I, which provides appropriate adult faith formation and catechetical training



through theological content, catechetical methods and prayer experiences. Full course is a 10-week commitment to be discussed at the introductory meeting.

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 youthgroup@saclaret.com.



REGISTER NOW!

Don't miss the opportunity to encounter Christ!



TAKE NOTE OF THESE NEW MEETING DETAILS:

EDGE — Middle school youth group will meet the 2nd & 4th Sundays, 4-6 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall

LIFE TEEN — High school youth group will meet each month on the 1st 4 3rd Sundays, 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, X209 or youthgroup@saclaret.com.

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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.



Life has its ups & downs and so do roller coasters!



Saturday, Nov. 17 at Six Flags Fiesta Texas \$55 = ticket & wristband; \$25 = wristband only (for those w/a Fiesta Texas pass)

Tickets = admission to Six Flags Fiesta Texas Wristbands = admission to Life Teen Inspiration (Event venue is inside Fiesta Texas, so participants must have a ticket into the park.)

Deposit (due upon registration): \$25 - ticket & wristband; \$10 - wristband only

To register, contact Martie Kokotajlo at (210) 688-9033, x209 or youthgroup@saclaret.com.

In addition to the thrill of the rides, teens will experience the thrill of a life in Christ through Mass, adoration, worship, and community.

PARISH NEWS



Memorial Bricks: A beautiful way to honor your deceased loved ones.

Each year the St. Anthony Claret Respect Life Ministry honors the beloved deceased by placing memorial bricks in the Memorial

Garden and offering special prayers for them at the All Soul's Day Mass. Order Memorial Garden Bricks now through Sept. 15 for this year's installation. Order form available below, in the parish office or in the narthex. Questions? Contact Kelly Comeau at 210.383.2563 or room4more@twc.com.

Memorial Bricks \$60.00 A BRICK Cross Emblem (Optional) Line 1: Inscription: Yes, please add cross emblem (Choose sine of the ti analobie) for an additional \$5,00. 1. In Memory of 2. Dedicated to No cross emblem needed. 3. In Loving Memory Line 2: Name of deceased (16 spaces and characters available) Line 3: (16 spaces and characters available) Name: Check # or Cash:__ Phone #: Address: City State Zip Brick order deadline is Sept. 15, 2018, for installation before November 1. \$ 60.00 Brick St. Anthony Mary Claret Attn: Kelly Comeau Cross Emblem (optional: add \$5.00) 6150 Roft Road San Antonio, Texas 78253 p. 210.383.2563 Total: \$ room4more@twc.com Make checks payable to SAMC - RLM

St. Anthony Claret Silver Seniors Social

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+.

Retiro De ACTS Para mujeres en español



Octubre 18-21, Centro de Retiros Cordi Marian, \$175 Para más información y registro, contactar Sandra Perry, Directora, (210) 213-2837.

COMMUNITY NEWS



The Archdiocesan Vocation Office invites single women 18-45 to a

Nun Run

Saturday, Sept. 22 Participants will

- tour three Sisters' homes/convents
- get to know six different religious congregations
- get to learn about their life, charism and pray with the sisters

To register, contact the Vocation Office at 210-735-0553 or www.archsa.org/vocations

THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

A husband and wife were driving through Louisiana. They approached the town of Natchitoches and had a disagreement about how to pronounce the name of the town. When they stopped for lunch, the husband asked the girl behind the counter, "Before we order, could you please settle an argument for us? Would you please pronounce where we are very slowly?" She leaned over the counter and said, "Burrr-gerrr Kiiing."



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. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Learn more about your Catholic faith: Check out the Lighthouse Media stand in the narthex!

Lighthouse Media CDs and booklets successfully evangelize and teach the Catholic faith. We request a small donation (amount varies by item) in order to cover the cost. Checks can be made payable to the parish. Thank you for supporting this ministry.





THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 9: Is 35:4-7a/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37 Monday 10: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11 Tuesday 11: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Lk 6:12-19 Wednesday 12: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Lk 6:20-26 Thursday 13: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38



Friday 14: Nm 21:4b-9/Jn 3:13-17 Saturday 15: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Jn 19:25-27 Sunday 16: Is 50:5-9a/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF **OUR PARISH FAMILY**

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.

Father Stuart Julen Bea Alvarez Marge Lucido Birdie Matthews John Matthews Tina McCurdy Sourav Mukergee Susan Munoz Pat Peterson Helen Pickard Vivian Stoltz Sophia Hampton Krystal Navarro **Řick Salinas** Elvira Sanchez Judy Cooper Mary John Phinizy Eloise Salazar Maria Morales Rosa Huerta Johnny Reyes Tomas Calderon

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Considering Catholic Homeschooling? T.O.R.C.H. (Traditions of Roman Catholic Homes)

can enhance your experience through an exchange of ideas, support and fellowship. Our group hosts a variety of fun-filled educational, spiritual and cultural activities throughout the year.



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Do you have...high blood pressure, high cholesterol, AFIB or diabetes?...a family history of heart disease, stroke, aneurysms or cancers of the thyroid, kidneys or liver?

> Stroke Scan Plus Medical Team will offer a St. Anthony Mary Claret Ultrasound **Health Screening Event**

> > Sept. 13, 14 & 15

Courtyard Marriott SeaWorld/Westover Hills, 11605 Hwy 151 Morning, afternoon & evening appointments available Open to parishioners, their family & friends Pre-register after all Masses THIS 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 like this.



Debra Bachleda CPA, PC, Parishioner

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