

#### November 25, 2018

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#### MASS SCHEDULE

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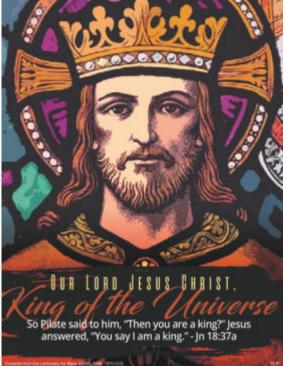
#### Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION: JN 18:33B-37**

If you brought your child to the restroom during the Liturgy of the Word, you might walk

away with one of two interpretations of Jesus as King. The first and second readings are bold and victorious. We see Christ coming on the clouds for the final judgment of heaven and earth. The Gospel sets a very different tone. Jesus is under arrest and facing death before Pontius Pilate. We know how this story will end. So if Christ is King, what does it mean? Is he a glorious conqueror or a suffering servant?

"My kingdom does not belong to this world." Here is the heart of Jesus' reign. He is a king—and his "subjects" are alive and well on earth-but, ultimately, Jesus' kingdom transcends our earthly concepts of power. Jesus faced down the temptation of a solely earthly kingship. At the close of his 40 days in the desert, the devil offered him the kingdoms of the world. Jesus only had to sacrifice his heavenly values and worship Satan. The same temptations to distort the kingship of Christ are present to us today. Jesus' invitation also endures. "Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." It is important for us to belong to the full truth of Christ's kingdom.



First, our own hearts must be transformed. Our own rebellions in favor of selfishness and against holiness must be conquered by God's grace. Second, we must work to transform the world as best we can in our own corner of it. Like Jesus shows us by his life and death, this doesn't mean domination. It means service, sacrifice, respect, and love. Our lives must "testify to the truth" of Jesus Christ, who lays down his life for his people. That is the true beauty of Christ the King!

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

We live in interesting times. Life is constantly changing. While this can be exciting on one hand, change also presents challenges. We live in an age of relativism where people can pick and choose the truths that suit them and build their own system of beliefs. While humans certainly have the freedom to choose, losing sight of long-standing universal truths is not such a healthy course. Jesus Christ our King is our universal truth! He is the God who is nonnegotiable, our non-option! In Christ, we know what truth is. He alone points us to God, our true selves, our proper relationships with one another, and the world in which we live. Christ directs us to the poor and vulnerable and teaches us what God's kingdom is meant to be. Christ is the king who serves others. He gets dirty. He ascends the throne of the cross. We are called to do the same. -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Monday Holy Hour.....6:30 pm Saturday......5 pm

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

Sunday...... 3 pm (Spanish), 6 pm

#### **IN OUR PARISH**

#### 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 registration 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 you feel welcome here!

Sincerely in Christ,

Far. Jan Llule

Reverend Jan P. Klak

VERY WARM

to Rev. Tu Nguyen who has been assigned to our parish for the month

of December!

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), 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. **Funerals:** 

Contact parish office prior to making arrangements.

#### A Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Times: Friday, Dec. 7 at 8 a.m. & 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8 at 8 a.m.

MONDAY EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR & MASS Holy Hour - 6:30 p.m. Mass - 7:30 p.m.

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#### MASS INTENTIONS THIS W

#### Saturday, Nov. 24

7:30 P.M.

8 A.M.

Tuesday, Nov. 27

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5 P.M.	Joseph † & Ella Kopech †; Joseph L.
	Stein †; Robert † & Floranna Stein †;
	Richard Caldwell, Jr. † by Blanchard Family
Sunday, Nov	. 25
8 A.M.	Louisa Armendariz † & Isabel Stahl † by
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	Teresa Revilla
10 A.M.	Rudy † & Selia Garcia † & Manuel † &
	Concepcion Espinoza † by Espinoza Family
12 P.M.	Elvira G. Astran † by Daughter Elvira Cuellar
3 P.M.	For the Parish
6 P.M.	Ray Moravits † & Al Coignet † by Chiobi
	Family
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Monday, No	v. 26
8 A.M.	Jennifer Ann Allemand † & Everett James
	Allemand † by Jacquelyn Allemand-Geddes
6:30 P.M.	
0.50 P.M.	Holy Hour

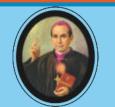
For an End to Abortion

Genevieve Collins † by Joann Bolton

**Nov. 17/18 ATTENDANCE & COLLECTION TOTALS** 

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Wednesday, No 8 A.M.	ov. 28 Birthday Blessings for Merle Belisario by Family			
Thursday, Nov 9 A.M.	. 29 Baby Natalie Morales † by Mom & Dad			
Friday, Nov. 30 8 A.M.	) Adolfo De Luna † by Darlene Belanger For the Healing of Norma C. Smith by Family			
Saturday, Dec. 5 P.M.	<b>1 NO FIRST SATURDAY MORNING MASS</b> <b>Birthday Blessings for Pearl Rodriguez</b> by Rodriguez Family			
Sunday, Dec. 2				
8 A.M.	Leticia Menchaca † by Family			
10 A.M.	Special Intention for Alan J. Ponce †; Margaret † & Albert Suarez † by Alma Ponce			
12 P.M.	Frank Zertuche, Jr. † by Wife Olivia Zertuche			
3 P.M.	For the Parish			
6 P.M.	<b>Birthday Blessings for Monica Gibbs</b> by Family			



**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.

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#### WHAT IS THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING?



Celebrated on the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the Solemnity of Christ the King was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* to respond to growing secularism. He recognized that attempting to "thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law" out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations.

In 2018, the Church faces pressures from without and crisis from within. In addition to the challenges that Christians in a secular society must confront, the body of Christ must also tend to the wounds inflicted on the Church by priests and bishops who either committed acts of sexual abuse themselves or failed to respond to abuse with

justice when they had the opportunity. The Solemnity reminds the faithful that Christ reigns as king of the entire world forever. Let us rededicate ourselves this year to recognizing the reign of Jesus Christ and his Sacred Heart in every aspect of our lives.

#### We profess with our whole lives that Jesus is Lord.

"If to Christ our Lord is given all power in heaven and on earth; if all men, purchased by his precious blood, are by a new right subjected to his dominion; if this power embraces all men, it must be clear that not one of our faculties is exempt from his empire. He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls, or to use the words of the Apostle Paul, 'as instruments of justice unto God."

- Quas primas, 33

#### We recognize the reign of Christ in public life, as well as private life.

"The whole Church must work vigorously in order that men may become capable of rectifying the distortion of the temporal order and directing it to God through Christ. Pastors must clearly state the principles concerning the purpose of creation and the use of temporal things and must offer the moral and spiritual aids by which the temporal order may be renewed in Christ. The laity must take up the renewal of the temporal order as their own special obligation. [...]Everywhere and in all things they must seek the justice of God's kingdom. The temporal order must be renewed in such a way that, without detriment to its own proper laws, it may be brought into conformity with the higher principles of the Christian life and adapted to the shifting circumstances of time, place, and peoples."

*– Apostolicam actuositatem*, 7

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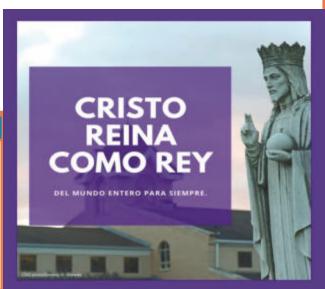
#### **RESPECT LIFE**

#### **Intercessions for Life**

On this feast of Christ the King and always, may all recognize God as the author of life and give thanks for His priceless gift; We pray to the Lord.

#### Intercesiones por la Vida

En esta fiesta de Cristo Rey y siempre, que todos reconozcamos a Dios como el autor de la vida y le demos gracias por Su invaluable don. Roguemos al Señor.



#### PARISH NEWS

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## Reconciliation

Advent

Sunday, Dec. 16 at 7:15 p.m. in the church

St. Anthony Mary Claret Knights of Columbus Council 10090 Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Service Wednesday, Dec. 5, 8 p.m. in the church

The purpose of the Silver Rose is to share the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote respect for life by participating in this meaningful pilgrimage. The Silver Rose program demonstrates the unity between Knights of Columbus in Canada, the United States and Mexico, through a series of prayer services promoting the dignity of all human life and honoring Our Lady. Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights



of Columbus councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe. And now the Silver Rose makes its way to our parish for this special evening.

#### All are welcome!

**St. Anthony Claret** Silver Seniors Social Wednesday, Dec. 12, 12 – 3 p.m. Msgr. Hubertus Hall



Come to an afternoon of fun that includes a gift exchange, a visit from Santa, Christmas caroling, and a Christmas dinner. Bring a dish to share and an unwrapped gift for the St. Peter-St. Joseph Children's Home. For more info, contact Larry Lucido at (210) 473-4813. Ages 55 +. New members welcome!

#### This Week in Our Parish

*Jimena Zaragoza,* child of Juan & Jessica Zaragoza

Aisleigh Tapia



#### St. Anthony Mary Claret MOMs (Ministry of Motherhood)

helping mothers find encouragement, instruction, prayer time & caring friends



**Cookie Exchange** Thursday, Dec. 6, 7 p.m. Meeting and free childcare: RE building, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

Bring 4 dozen of your favorite cookies plus an empty container so that you can take an assortment of cookies home with you. For more info, contact Sonia Cantu 210-204-2319

Meetings are now held in the evening on the **1st Thursday each month**.\*

\* Please note this change from the previous announcement.

#### Traveling Priest Program Signup Weekend: Dec. 1 & 2

St. John Vianney is the patron saint of priests. To assist families in praying for vocations in our parish, a statue of this beloved saint is available to host in their homes for a one-week period.

We've made some changes to the program:

- 1. You can now select the week you wish to host.
- 2. You decide at which Mass you will receive the statue.
- 3. You may choose to have the statue presented to your family during Mass or you may pick it up from the sacristy before or after Mass.

Look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex after all Masses Dec. 1 & 2.



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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / YOUTH GROUP** 



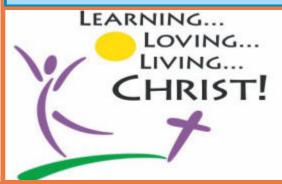
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Next EDGE meeting (middle school youth):

Nov. 25, 4 - 5:45 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall

For info contact Youth Director Martie Kokotajlo at at (210) 688-9033, x209 or youthgroup@saclaret.com. Follow us at facebook.com/youthsamc & Instagram.com/samc



#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

## David Kauffman in Concert



David Kauffran is a prolific artist who has written many sengs for A.C.T.S. retreats worldwide and co-wrote the NPM Award Winning Mass of Renewal.

A Call To Hope:

Living our Sacraments

Advent Concert-Song and Story

Catholic Church 9883 Marbach Rd San Antonio, TX 78245

Learn more at goodforthesoulmusic.com

St Rose of Lima

Sunday December 9 @ 7:00 pm Love Offering Hope in Darkness Advent/Christmas Retreat A Morning of Prayer, Meditation, Reflection & Ritual Saturday, Dec. 1, 9 am – 12 pm Brigid's Place, 5118 Loma Linda Facilitators: Sr. Teresa Carter, CSB & Sr. Imelda Phelan, CSB RSVP by Friday, Nov. 23 to 210-733-0701 or sbc@brigidines.us. Suggested donation for needy families



#### **THE SUNDAY FUNNIES**

What did the left eye say to the right eye? Between you and me, something smells.



#### **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:





**Edward Gonzales** 

Jordan Milligan

The committee also commends to your intercession a group committed to the consecrated life: *Benedictine Sisters of Boerne* 

He said to them "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying (John 1:39). God of all nations, we are most grateful for the first Catholic missionaries and explorers who came to United States. As strangers in a strange land they brought with them countless skills, talents and traditions, but their greatest treasure was their faith. May the good News of Jesus Christ, which molded and shaped their lives, continue to mold and shape our lives today. Bless our diocese with men and women who will follow in their footsteps to serve the Church as religious brothers, sisters, priests, and deacons. Lord Jesus Christ, help them to hear your call to "Come and see."

#### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 25: Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37 Monday 26: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Lk 21:1-4 Tuesday 27: Rv 14:14-19/Lk 21:5-11 Wednesday 28: Rv 15:1-4/Lk 21:12-19 Thursday 29: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Lk 21:20-28 Friday 30: Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22 Saturday 1: Rv 22:1-7/Lk 21:34-36 Sunday 2: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

# WE JUST WANT TO SAY ... THANK YOU!



#### St. Anthony Claret's Pantry

distributed Thanksgiving baskets to 98 families with a total of 425 individuals. They also distributed 147 regular food bags. All this was made possible because of the generosity of our parishioners.

#### 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.

Rudy Jimenez Judy Gomez Mike Churchman Brianna, Jacob, & Oscar Pena Dave Whitney Carolyn Cole Romana Garcia Yareli Mendoza Jenna & Landon Ondrusek Fernando Mascorro Ana Galinski Sophia Hampton S.T. Eloise Salazar Maria Morales Rosa Huerta Johnny Reves Richard Keller Barbara Vanegas Jack & Jeanette Donohue

Rudy Navarro A.Č. Garza Olga & Rudy Faz Dee Hancock **Grace Heinze** Adrian & Erika Huerter **Bill Jennings** Robyn Marcum Margie Morones Tracy Oviedo Alvson Victoria Oviedo Linda Santos Mary Sledden Nancy Souhrada Bertha Trevino Roberto Trevino Gabby Truly **Bishop Yanta** Anthony Trevino





