

St. Anthony Mary Claret

Roman Catholic Church

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March 17, 2019

Second Sunday of Lent

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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.

GOSPEL MEDITATION:

LK 9:28B-36

As we march through Lent, it can be easy to think it's all about sacrifice. No chocolate, no alcohol, no meat on Fridays. Yet here, only in the second week of Lent, we have the story of the transfiguration. This reading reminds us of the "why" behind what we do. We don't fast from dessert to lose weight. We don't donate money or serve others because it's merely a nice thing to do. Lent is about transformation!

Peter, James, and John trudged up the mountainside behind Jesus. This must have been a difficult hike, because when they reached the top, "Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep." Despite our best efforts, perhaps we, too, can be asleep to the deeper meaning of the Lenten season. Jesus is transfigured while they slumber, but eventually they become "fully awake, [and] they saw his glory and the two men standing with him."

This is no small thing! The disciples witness Jesus in his divine splendor and see the miraculous apparitions of Moses and Elijah. The entire mountain becomes a spiritual breakthrough. "A cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered

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2nd Sunday OF LENT

While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. - Lk 9:29

Celebration of the Mass

Monday 8 a.m., 7:30 p.m. preceded by Holy Hour at 6:30 p.m.

Every first Monday of the month 7:30 p.m. Healing Mass & administering of the Sacrament of the Sick

Tuesday - Friday 8 a.m.

Saturday 5 p.m.

Sunday 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 12 p.m., 3 p.m. (Spanish), & 6 p.m.

Holy Days of Obligations: Check inside bulletin for times.

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:

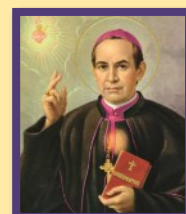
First Tuesday & Thursday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Call parish office to register.

Visitation of the Sick: Call parish office to schedule visit.

Funerals: Call parish office prior to making arrangements.

Marriage Prep: Call parish office at least six months to one year prior to wedding. Must attend mandatory orientation session the third Thursday of March or September at 7 p.m.

Quinceañera Prep: Call parish office at least six months to one year prior to date of celebration. Child must be enrolled in religious education for at least one year. Must attend mandatory orientation session the fourth Thursday of March or September at 7 p.m.



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 samcsa.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!

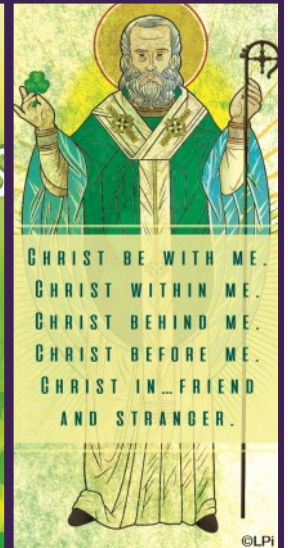
Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Jan P. Klak

Mar. 9/10 attendance & collection totals unavailable at press time.

This Week in Our Parish WEDDINGS

Raymond Scanlon & Angeline Garcia
Luis Villarreal & Teresa De La Rosa



GOSPEL MEDITATION *Cont'd from page 1*

the cloud." These symbols are present in the Old Testament. They are present on Mount Sinai when Moses prayed alone and received the 10 Commandments. Elijah had a similar experience when he prayed alone before God. But here are ordinary men, former fishermen, who have been drawn up into an adventure beyond their wildest expectations. Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah, the fulfillment of all that came before. But Christianity is not the religion of the elite, where only the select few are allowed to participate. We are all invited into spiritual transformation. Lent is a privileged time for this!

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Our minds are often preoccupied with the things of this world, and we forget about the things of heaven. We live our lives as if what we see before us is all there is and almost place the truth of eternity on hold until it is absolutely necessary to confront it. We fail to see the connection between earth and heaven and to see the road of transformation we are all called to travel. When Jesus was transfigured before his disciples, they saw the truth of who he was. Earth and heaven were wed that day, just as they will one day come together for us. God desires to transfigure us as well, changing our earthly body into our heavenly one. We miss our true destiny if we don't factor this into the choices we make and the paths we choose to walk.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, March 16

5 P.M. Bert † & Michael Bednarz † by Martha Bednarz

Sunday, March 17

8 A.M. Augustina Zapanta - In Thanksgiving by Family

10 A.M. Francesco †, Carmela †, Sebastiano †, Corrado † & Giovanni † by Sal Spataro

12 P.M. Debra Saenz †; Robert Reynolds † by Lydia Reynolds & Family

3 P.M. Marty Pizzini † by Neida Esringel

6 P.M. Dave Honermann † by Teresa Revilla
Birthday Blessings for Jacob Strapkovic by Strapkovic family

Monday, March 18

8 A.M. Ruth Kuether † by Family Friend

6:30 P.M. Holy Hour

7:30 P.M. Alicia & Corando Hinojosa † by Adelina Fritz

Tuesday, March 19

8 A.M. Cathy Boyd † by Darlene Belanger

Wednesday, March 20

8 A.M. Inocencia Serrano † by Daughters

Thursday, March 21

8 A.M. Jean Belanger † by Darlene Belanger

Friday, March 22

****NO MORNING MASS****

5:30 P.M. Stations of the Cross in Spanish

7 P.M. Stations of the Cross in English

7:30 P.M. Marcelino Armendariz, Jt. † by Teresa Revilla

Saturday, March 23

5 P.M. Frank & Stella Stegent; Regina Pawlak by Blanchard Family

Sunday, March 24

8 A.M. Edith Aldaya † by Michele & George Aldaya

10 A.M. Carl Fields † by St. Anthony Claret Legion of Mary

12 P.M. Ace Andrew Ramos † by Family

3 P.M. Adolfo De Luna † by Darlene Belanger

6 P.M. Billie Sievers † by Charlie Sievers & Family

RESPECT LIFE

A Concern for Catholics in Public Life

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Recent efforts to perpetuate and expand abortion in state laws have illuminated the deplorable actions of some Catholic public officials and advocates. Their efforts to support and even celebrate such legislation will result in killing many more unborn children, as well as the spiritual and emotional wounding of their mothers and fathers. Advocating for intrinsically evil acts, like abortion, is a serious immoral act – one that involves grave matter, the prerequisite for the commission of a mortal sin. While we can object to the actions of these public officials, we are not able to judge their souls. At the same time, we know there will be a Judgment Day.

Conscious and unrepentant mortal sin endangers our eternal souls and places ourselves on a path to Hell. To receive our Eucharistic Lord, while in a state of mortal sin, only further jeopardizes the eternal fate of our souls. Sincere repentance, a conversion of heart, and a genuine effort to make amends for the harm caused by our sin, are essential to be able to receive God's mercy.

In my own role as a bishop, I have a serious responsibility to make certain that those entrusted to my pastoral care are aware of the moral gravity and spiritual consequences of their actions. I also have a serious obligation to protect other members of my flock from being misled by a seeming tolerance of the scandalous behavior of some Catholics in public life. It is critically important that I attempt to enter into dialogue with such Catholic leaders. If even after an extended dialogue a Catholic in public life persists in scandalous actions, I have found it necessary to request that they not present themselves to receive Holy Communion, for their own spiritual welfare and for the protection of many others from moral confusion.

I invite all Catholics to pray for spiritual healing for all those involved in or advocating for legalized abortion. When we truly repent, God is always eager to lavish us with His mercy.

Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann
Archbishop of Kansas City, Kansas
Chairman, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops
Committee on Pro-Life Activities

Intercessions for Life

For adoptive fathers: may they reflect God's constant, steady love as they embrace their roles of guardian, father, and protector. We pray to the Lord.

Intercesiones por la Vida

Por los padres adoptivos: que reflejen el amor constante y seguro de Dios al aceptar sus deberes como guardianes, padres y protectores. Roguemos al Señor.

LENTEN PRACTICES

Lenten Resolutions for Married Couples, Inspired by Pope Francis – Part 1 of 2

by Bethany Meola, Assistant Director of the USCCB Secretariat of Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth

Are you wondering how to grow in holiness this Lent, together with your spouse? Try following some advice from the Pope! In his homilies and addresses, Pope Francis has spoken quite directly about how husband and wife should treat each other, about prayer within the family, and other ways the family lives its identity as a “domestic Church.” So this Lent, why not commit with your spouse to try one of the following Lenten resolutions, based on words from the Holy Father?

1. **Be courteous to your spouse.** Use polite requests: “May I? Can I?” For example, “Would you like for us to do this?” and “Do you want to go out tonight?”
“To ask permission means to know how to enter with courtesy into the lives of others. ... True love does not impose itself harshly and aggressively.” (Address to Engaged Couples, Rome, Feb. 14, 2014.)
2. **Say “thank you” to your spouse.** “It seems so easy to say these words, but we know that it is not. But it is important! ... It is important to keep alive the awareness that the other person is a gift from God – and for the gifts of God we say thank you!” (Address to Engaged Couples, Rome, Feb. 14, 2014)
3. **Ask forgiveness from your spouse.** Say, “I’m sorry.”
“Let us learn to acknowledge our mistakes and to ask to forgiveness. ‘Forgive me if today I raised my voice’; ‘I’m sorry if I passed without greeting you’; ‘excuse me if I was late’.” (Address to Engaged Couples, Rome, Feb. 14, 2014)
“Never let the sun go down without making peace! Never, never, never!” (Address to Engaged Couples, Rome, Feb. 14, 2014)
“It is important to have the courage to ask forgiveness when we are at fault in the family.” (Address to Participants in the Pilgrimage of Families, Rome, Oct. 26, 2013)

(to be continued)

From www.foryourmarriage.org, a part of the National Pastoral Initiative for Marriage, an initiative of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to communicate the meaning and value of married life for the Church and for society.

PARISH NEWS

Planning a Wedding or Quinceañera at St. Anthony Claret?

Weddings/Bodas:

- Contact the parish at least one year prior to your wedding date.
- Attend the MANDATORY marriage orientation session: Thursday, March 21, 7 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall.
- Comunicarse a la Iglesia por lo menos un año antes de la fecha de la boda.
- Asistir la sesión de orientación matrimonial OBLIGATORIA: el jueves 21 de marzo a las 7 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall.



Quinceañeras:

- Contact the parish at least one year prior to the celebration.
- Child MUST be enrolled in religious education classes for at least one year prior to quinceañera.
- Parents and child must attend the MANDATORY quinceañera orientation session Thursday, March 28, 7 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall.
- Comunicarse a la Iglesia por lo menos un año antes de la celebración.
- La niña deberá estar inscrita en clases de educación religiosa por lo menos un año antes de la quinceañera.
- Padres y niñas deben asistir a una orientación de quinceañera OBLIGATORIA: jueves 28 de marzo a las 7 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall.



Reservations now being accepted. Call the parish office to register: 210-688-9033.

Reservaciones ya están siendo aceptadas. Hablar a la oficina de la iglesia para reservar su lugar: 210-688-9033.

ST. ANTHONY MARY CLARET
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL #10090



40 CANS FOR LENT

TO BENEFIT ST. ANTHONY CLARET'S PANTRY



DROP
NON-PERISHABLE
FOOD ITEMS IN
THE CHURCH
NARTHEX NOW
THROUGH EASTER
SUNDAY.

Let's beat last
year's total of
5,500 lbs.!

St. Anthony Claret Pantry Activity Report February 2019

Utility assistance:	\$ 3,204.50
Restock food pantry:	\$ 2,637.68
Office expenses:	\$ 379.19
Other client assistance:	\$ 100.00
Total food bags distributed:	197
Total people served:	540

Thank you for helping us help others.
Pantry hours: Thursdays, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Contact us
at (210) 474-6888 or sacpantry@outlook.com.



COMMUNITY NEWS



MONDAY
APRIL 1, 2019
12:00 PM

SPRING TOURING EVENT

RCA SAN ANTONIO CENTER
303 W RAMSEY RD. • SAN ANTONIO, TX 78216

Are you looking for CLASSICAL
EDUCATION and CATHOLIC FORMATION
for your children?

Does the opportunity to HOMESCHOOL
while also allowing your children to
experience a STRUCTURED CLASSROOM
ENVIRONMENT appeal to you?



WWW.RCAHYBRID.ORG

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The Couple to Couple League presents these options to learn Natural Family Planning.

A new **live on-site** class series begins
March 30 at St. Francis of Assisi. There
are several options to take a **live online**
class or a **self-paced online** course with
local mentor help available.



To register or for more information, visit ccli.org.
For Spanish, contact Gerardo & Carmen Leon (832) 586-5337
or carmensos@yahoo.com.

Discover the blessings of NFP!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

MARCH RE CALENDAR

Sun., Mar. 17 & Wed., Mar. 20 **CLASSES IN SESSION & classes for parents of 2nd year First Communion & 3rd year Confirmation students**
 Sun., Mar. 24 & Wed., Mar. 27 **CLASSES IN SESSION**



YOUTH GROUP

Sun., Mar. 17 **LIFE TEEN High School Youth Meeting:** 7-9 p.m., preceded by 6 p.m. Mass
 Sat., Mar. 23 Archdiocesan Youth Spectacular — details in graphic below.
 Sun., Mar. 24 **EDGE Middle School Youth Meeting:** 4-5:45 p.m.
 Sun., Mar. 30 Service Hour Opportunity: details forthcoming



NOW REGISTERING FOR THESE LIFE-CHANGING LIFE TEEN EVENTS:

2019 Steubenville Lone Star:

June 21-23, Irving Convention Center, Irving, TX
 \$350 includes conference, lodging, transportation, & most meals; non-refundable deposit: \$100

Wild Sky 2019: July 15- 20, Medina, TX
 \$655.00; Non-refundable deposit: \$100



Contact Youth Director Martie Kokotajlo at 210-688-9033, x209 or youthgroup@saclaret.com for more info.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Fullness of Truth Catholic Evangelization Ministries in cooperation with Catholic Answers

O Sacrament Most Holy:

Eucharistic Miracles Yesterday and Today!

March 29-30, 2019

Prince of Peace Catholic Church | 7893 Grissom Road, San Antonio, TX 78251

 Tim Staples Catholic Answers Director of Apologetics and Evangelization	 Karlo Broussard Catholic Answers dynamic speaker and blogger	 Fr. Rodolfo Caballero-Garcia Pastor of Prince of Peace Catholic Church	 Trent Horn Catholic Answers apologist and author
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General Admission: \$60
Youth Pass: \$35
Family Pass: \$175
Priority Seraphim: \$120
Clergy/Religious: FREE

Friday 4:30-10:00 pm, Saturday 8:00 am-4:30 pm
 Special hotel rates for attendees/Group rates available
 Boxed-lunch included

Priority Seating includes:

- Reserved seating front rows
- Special Fullness of Truth gift bag
- Exclusive Saturday lunch Q&A with speakers

For tickets, schedule, and more information: (877) 218-7884 | fullnessoftruth.org
 text "TRUTH" to 22828 to join our mailing list!


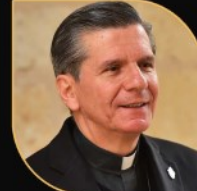

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YOUTH SPECTACULAR
 March 23, 2019

Seekers of Truth

ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY

8:30 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M. \$20.00 INCLUDES LUNCH

 <i>Katie Projean-McGrady</i>	 <i>Archbishop Gustavo</i>	 <i>WML</i>
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YOUTH LEADERS: REGISTER YOUR GROUP NOW!
archsa.org/ys2019
 SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION PROVIDED
QUESTIONS? CONTACT JUAN CARLOS CARRENO
JuanCarlos.Carreno@archsa.org OR (210) 734-1679



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:



Ottmar Tovar



Rafael Becerra

O Father, you desire all of us to be happy. Stir up the grace of a religious vocation in the hearts of many men and women.

Grant to them the willingness and generosity to give of themselves, their lives, their time and their talents to the service of Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord and Savior, and to His Holy Church.

May more men and women go forth as priests, deacons, brothers and sisters to bring the truths of our Catholic faith to all others so that soon they, too, may know You better and love You more... and serving You, be truly happy. Amen.

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us!

The committee also commends to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: *Sisters of Perpetual Adoration of Guadalupe.*

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please take 90 seconds out of your busy schedule and offer one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and one Glory Be for the sick of our parish family.

- John Moran
- Dan Calderon
- Veronica Garcia
- Carolyn Cole
- Paul Allen
- Jenna & Landon Ondrusek
- Dave Whitney
- Romana Garcia
- Yareli Mendoza S.S.
- Fernando Mascorro
- Ana Galinski S.T.
- Eloise Salazar
- Maria Morales
- Rosa Huerta
- Johnny Reyes
- Richard Keller
- Barbara Vanegas
- Rudy Navarro



- Jack & Jeanette Donohue
- 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

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

- Sunday 17: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17-4:1/Lk 9:28b-36
- Monday 18: Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday 19: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/ Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
- Wednesday 20: Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28
- Thursday 21: Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31
- Friday 22: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday 23: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Sunday 24: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

COMMUNITY NEWS

For info, contact Deacon Jerry Campa at 210-219-5684. To register visit www.gabrielprojectsa.org.



Silent auction prize donations needed. Contact Deacon Jerry Campa at 210-219-5684.

A Woman's Haven Pregnancy Crisis Center Benefit Dinner

Thursday, Apr. 4, 6-8:30 p.m., Incarnate Word University-Rosenberg Room
Keynote speakers: Guadalupe Catholic Radio General Manager Richard Reyna & Julie Reyna
Tickets are FREE, but you must register at www.awomanshaven.eventbrite.com.

THE GABRIEL PROJECT GOLF TOURNAMENT

Golf Club of Texas • March 30, 2019 @ 8:15 AM
13600 Briggs Ranch Road | San Antonio, TX 78245
Registration begins and range available at 7:15 AM

4 person Scramble, Shotgun start, mulligans available.

Contest: longest drive; closest to the pin; putting contest, chipping contest.

Cost: \$100 per person/\$360 team of 4

Cost includes the round of golf, cart, goodie bag, range privileges, Golf replay certificate, breakfast tacos, BBQ brisket and sausage lunch. Silent auction.

THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

- Q: Why did St. Patrick drive all the snakes out of Ireland?
A: He couldn't afford plane fare
- Q: What did one Irish ghost say to the other?
A: Top o' the moaning!
- Q: How can you tell if an Irishman is having a good time?
A: He's Dublin over with laughter!

