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Third Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2019

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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.

"Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing." Peter is a favorite apostle for many people. I wonder if it is because of his flawed, relatable humanity. Today's Gospel takes place after Jesus appears to the disciples and breathes the Holy Spirit upon them. And yet, Peter finds himself returning to his old way of life, to comfortable habits he formed long before following Jesus. Is something still lingering in him? Is something still lingering in us? Lent is over, and we should be rejoicing! But do you feel like you're still holding onto something? Or perhaps you had an excellent Lent. You encountered Jesus in a new way and grew in faith. But as the weeks since Easter have slipped by, some of your newfound devotion has begun to waver. The closeness you felt in your Lenten commitments has given way to humdrum status quo or turn-of-the-season busyness.

"Simon, son of John, do you love

me?" Peter has endured so much in his walk of discipleship! But something is still weighing on him. In today's Gospel, Jesus confirms Peter's devotion three times, a redemption of *Cont'd on page 2*

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)

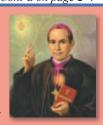
Weekdays: 7:30 a.m.; Saturdays: 4 p.m.- last in line Sundays: 9 a.m.-12 p.m. (or last in line), 4 p.m.- last in line No confessions on holy days of obligation or Fridays of Lent.

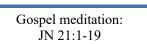
Baptism - Required Classes:

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.





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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	April 27/28 Attendance & Collection TotalsAttendance3,520Regular Collection\$ 23,790.64Debt Reduction\$ 3,532.00Catholic Home Missions\$ 1,780.35Candles\$ 237.01Church in Holy Land\$ 70.00Gabriel Project\$ 50.00Capital Campaign\$ 40.00Rice Bowl\$ 15.24			
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	Javid Rodriguez & Jasmine Sherrod			

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his earlier threefold denial. The call of the Lord must come again, as if heard anew for the first time. So often, this is the pattern of the Christian life. We discover God and experience a new desire for our faith, but in time, our enthusiasm begins to wane. Perhaps something happens that startles us, or we startle ourselves by a poor decision. Then we discover God anew! Our joy returns...for a while. Even the Apostles were no strangers to the cyclical nature of spiritual growth. Our disappointments or frustrations should not be cause for giving up. Like Peter, we too can recommit and start anew. This Sunday and every day of our lives, Jesus is waiting to say again, "Follow me."

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

If you really want to get to know someone, invite them to dinner. Sharing a meal with someone opens up the door to a deeper, more intimate, and more authentic encounter. When we gather around a table, we are more vulnerable and are reminded not only of our need for food and sustenance, but also the love of friends and community. We are meant to be together. Meals can be opportunities not only for authentic meetings, but for healing relationships, for understanding one another better, and for renewal. Jesus invites us to dine with him once again at today's Eucharist. He receives our pain and blesses our wounds. We are forgiven, set straight, renewed, and reconfirmed in our task of discipleship. Love is celebrated here again. May we bring that love to those who need it most, especially those we may find difficult to love and to those who have hurt us. Share with them the bread of compassion and the wine of mercy. -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, May 4		Wednesday, May 8	
8 A.M. 5 P.M.	First Saturday Mass & Devotions Special Intention for Son by Maria M. Carazo *** FIRST COMMUNION MASS *** Manica L. Compaler the Eagrily	8 A.M.	Souls in Purgatory esp. Deceased Members of Friends of the Suffering Souls † by Louis F. Gonzales II
	Monica L. Gonzalez † by Family	Thursday, May 9	
Sunday, May 5		8 A.M.	Agnese Manera † Angela Pelosin †
8 A.M.	Rosalie Cerna † by Geraldine Kellner		by Mayra Finley
10 A.M.	Alan J. Ponce †; Margaret † & Albert		
	Suarez † by Alma Ponce	Friday, May 10	
12 P.M.	*** FIRST COMMUNION MASS ***	8 A.M.	Cathy Boyd † & Jean Belanger † by
	Joe Frank Barbosa †; Jenny Garza †; D.M. Salas †; Ernest † & Josie Salinas †		Darlene Belanger Estela Astorga † by Family
	by Rick & Sandy Salinas		Estela Astorga by Failing
3 P.M.	*** FIRST COMMUNION MASS ***	Saturday, May 11	
	Luis S. Serna, Jr. + by Neida Estringel	5 P.M.	Joseph † & Ella Kopech †; Joseph L. Stein †;
6 P.M.	Birthday Blessings for Tracy Adderholdt		Robert † & Floranna Stein †; Richard
	by Jeanette Erickson		Caldwell, Jr. † by Blanchard Family
Monday, May 6 Sunday, May 12			
8 A.M.	Special Intention for James & Henry Pawelek	8 A.M.	Lois Mendoza † by Mendoza Family
0 1 201 20	& Alois & Florence Olenick by Olenick Family	10 A.M.	Francesco †, Carmela †, Sebastiano †,
6:30 P.M.	Holy Hour		Corrado † & Giovanni † by Sal Spataro
7:30 P.M.	Healing Mass—For the Sick of the Parish	12 P.M.	Special Intention for Son by Maria M. Carazo
		3 P.M.	Irma Calderon † by Daughter & Grandkids
Tuesday, May 7		6 P.M.	Spiritual Healing & Strength for Humanity;
8 A.M.	For an End to Abortion by Mary Allen		Poor Souls in Purgatory † by M. Gonzales

RESPECT LIFE

Loving Parents After Miscarriage

by Mary McClusky

A friend who recently lost a child through miscarriage called to express disappointment that she didn't know where to turn for the resources and support she and her husband so desperately needed. This heartbreaking conversation reminded me of another friend who miscarried a child at six months of pregnancy, but who masked her pain with a smile instead of reaching out for comfort. Though each experienced the deep pain of losing a child, neither received the loving support she deserved.

Sadly, their experiences are common. Though most miscarriages occur very early in pregnancy, often before the woman knows she is pregnant, as many as 15% of known pregnancies end in miscarriage. Our culture and even some church communities don't always recognize this loss, leaving women or couples to deal with their pain alone.



Our witness to life must address the pain and grieving experienced by those who have lost a child. Just as we recognize the humanity of the unborn child lost to abortion, we must acknowledge equally the unborn child lost to miscarriage. "I see clearly that the thing the church needs most today is the ability to heal wounds and to warm the hearts of the faithful; it needs nearness, proximity," Pope Francis said recently. As Catholics and people of life, we are called to draw close to these parents and provide care and comfort to their aching hearts.

So what can we do to help parents grieve their loss and witness to the gift of their child's life? We can acknowledge their loss, support them as they grieve, and direct them to helpful resources. How do we do this?

First, don't dismiss their loss with comments like "You're young; you'll conceive again soon," or "You still have your other children." Instead, make time to listen as they share their pain. Affirm their right to grieve. Offer your condolences and prayers, and ask if there is anything they need. Direct the parents to their parish priest, who can help them organize a memorial service, funeral or burial. The *Order of Christian Funerals* has prayers for a stillborn child, and the *Book of Blessings* includes a blessing for parents that can be administered by a priest or deacon after a miscarriage. Some blessings can even be adapted for use by a layperson.

Keep in mind that the father and mother may have different emotional needs. She might feel the loss more directly, or wonder if somehow she caused the miscarriage. She might prefer to talk things out with a friend. The father may need space to eventually feel comfortable sharing how the loss affects him, and may even need time to take his mind off things. He might need guidance on how to support the mother. Losing a child can drive parents apart, so the couple might need the reassuring love of a faithful community to keep close and stay together. Child loss or bereavement support groups at their parish or local hospital can provide support, as well as spiritual advice or counseling.

As members of the body of Christ, the Church, we are called to bear witness to the loss of every life, no matter how brief or small. Let us pray that our growing sensitivity to the loss of a child through miscarriage will better assist grieving parents and help them to entrust their child to God's unfailing care and mercy.

Mary McClusky is Assistant Director for Project Rachel Ministry Development at the Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. To learn more about the bishops' pro-life activities, go to www.usccb.org/prolife. *Re-posted with permission from the USCCB Life Issues Forum.*

Intercessions for Life

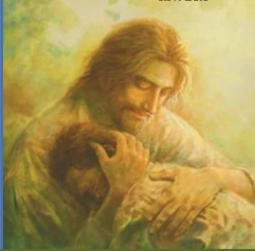
For an end to infanticide: that the laws of our nation may reflect the law of God, and protect the dignity of every human life. We pray to the Lord.

Intercesiones por la Vida

Para ponerle fin al infanticidio: que las leyes de nuestra nación reflejen la ley de Dios, y protejan la dignidad de cada vida humana. Roguemos al Señor.

PARISH NEWS

"Behold, I make all things new." - Rev. 21:5



2019 Men's ACTS Retreat

May 16-19 Cordi Marian Retreat Center Cost: \$180 Some partial scholarships available. For info or to register, contact one of the following: Eddie Garcia: 210-865-5370; Roland Garcia: 210-391-1727; Jeremiah Lagos: 210-421-5076.

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to receive the bulletin automatiCally by email, Click here and then select subscribe." Scroll down, hit "subscribe" and you're done!

THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

A man at a baseball game wondered why the ball kept getting bigger and bigger. Then it hit him.



Volunteers needed for 1st Annual Non-

Residential Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) Weekend June 28-30 to be held at our parish!

Call Wally at 210-887-9140 or Pat at 210-887-9180 to volunteer your time, talent or treasure.



St. Anthony Claret Silver Seniors Social

Wednesday, May 8 Meet 12 p.m. at the Mount Schoenstatt Shrine 17071 Low Rd. at Scenic Loop Rd. Helotes, TX 78023 To be followed by lunch in the area. New members welcome! For info, contact Larry Lucido at (210) 473-4813.





As a sacrament, marriage is rooted in the sacrificial love that Jesus has for the Church. In fact, Scriptures describe the Church as the bride of Christ. Just as Christ loved the Church and gave himself up for her in love, so too does the sacrificial love becomes the model for man and wife. Still, conflict is inevitable.

Learn more about conflict and resolution at the **St. Anthony Mary Claret Marriage Ministry Date Night** *an evening of fellowship & enrichment for married and engaged couples* Friday, May 17, 7-9 p.m., **RE Building** Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. For free childcare register *in advance* with Nicole Glowe at cnglowe@yahoo.com <u>NO LATER THAN Wednesday, May 15</u>. Questions? Contact Chris and Nicole Glowe at cnglowe@yahoo.com or 210-257-6616.

COMMUNITY NEWS



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

MAY SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

Sat., May 4 Sun., May 5

Wed., May 8 Sat., May 18 Sun., May 19 First Communion-5 p.m. Mass First Communion-12 p.m. & 3 p.m. Spanish Masses 7 p.m. Confirmation Mass First Communion-5 p.m. Mass First Communion-12 p.m. Mass





Vacation Bible School (VBS): June 24-28, 9 a.m.- 12 p.m. Share your talents with your parish community! VBS planning meeting Thursday, May 9, 7 p.m., RE bldg. room 1002 All volunteers interested in assisting should attend.

Questions? Contact VBS Director Ericka De Leon

at ErickadeLeon@gmail.com.

YOUTH GROUP



OPENINGS REMAIN FOR THESE LIFE TEEN EVENTS:

2019 Steubenville Lone Star: June 21-23, Irving Convention Center, Irving, TX \$350 incl. conference, lodging, transportation, & most meals; non-refundable deposit: \$100

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

We're seeking a few young adults and those young at heart to help with our youth program next year. Interested? Contact Youth Director Martie Kokotajlo at 210-688-9033, x209 or youthgroup@saclaret.com.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Date: May 10-11, 2019 Ages: 18-40

Contact person: Fr. Jonathan Felux Ana Bojorquez vocations@archsa.org

EN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Every man knows, eventually he has to put his neck on the line...What are you wearing on yours?

MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT • MAY 10-11, 2019



Come join us in this opportunity to pray, share and learn more about the priesthood

Seraphic Sisters' Retreat House 130 Beethoven Street San Antonio, TX 78210

YOU MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND (noon evaluability is limited Dateline to register Monday, May 6, 2019

Contact us for more information 210.735.0553 or register online at www.archsa.org/vocation

2020 HOLY LAND & PASSION PLAY PILGRIMAGE

with Bishop Patrick Zurek & Deacon Tom & Mary Jane Fox

A special pilgrimage to the Holy Land, including the world-famous Passion Play in Germany, which will take place August 3-16, 2020



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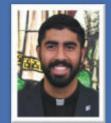
Visit PilgrimCenterofHope.org for details and directions or call 210-521-3377. Space limited.

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:





Stephen Santos

David Chacko

Lord Jesus, Good Shepherd, may young people in our parish hear your call and follow your voice as they discern their vocations. Lead your people to heaven through the ministry of holy priests and consecrated men and women. Jesus, we trust in you! Amen.

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us!

The committee also commends to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY*

Robert Garcia Javier Calderon Ray & Carolyn Cole George Aldava Dan Calderon Paul Allen Dave Whitney Romana Garcia Yareli Mendoza Sandy Salinas Fernando Mascorro Ana Galinski S.T. Adrian & Erika Huerter Jack & Jeanette Donohue **Eloise Salazar** Maria Morales Rosa Huerta Johnny Reves **Richard Keller** Barbara Vanegas

Rudy Navarro A.C. Garza Olga & Rudy Faz **Dee Hancock Grace Heinze Bill Jennings Robyn Marcum** Margie Morones Tracy Oviedo Alyson Victoria Oviedo Jenna & Landon Ondrusek Linda Santos Mary Sledden Nancy Souhrada Bertha Trevino **Roberto** Trevino Gabby Truly **Bishop Yanta** Anthony Trevino

*Due to space limitations, list is reserved for names of parishioners and their immediate family only. Names usually run 3 weeks.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 5: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 Monday 6: Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29 Tuesday 7: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Jn 6:30-35 Wednesday 8: Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40 Thursday 9: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51 Friday 10: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59 Saturday 11: Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69 Sunday 12: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention - May

The Church in Africa, a Seed of Unity. That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

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 in particular for those recommended by our Holy Father this month. Amen.

Intención del Santo Padre Francisco - Mayo



La Iglesia en África, fermento de unidad. Para que, a través del compromiso de sus miembros, la Iglesia en África sea un fermento de unidad entre los pueblos, un signo de esperanza para este continente.

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. Amen.



