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Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2019

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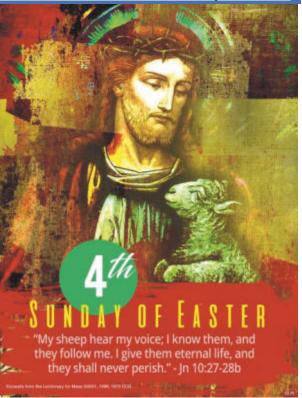
Parish Mission Statement

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.

GOSPEL MEDITATION: JN 10:27-30

We all face obstacles in life. Perhaps it's a lost job, the death of a loved one, a sudden accident that places an unexpected dent in our finances. Sometimes the challenges are of our own making. Perhaps we've developed patterns of sin in our personal lives or our family relationships. We've all felt the jolting shock of, "This is all my fault." How do these things affect our relationship with God? Or, perhaps more poignantly, how do we now view God's relationship to us?

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus' words to us are encouraging ones. "No one can take them out of my hand." Did you catch that? In case you didn't, Jesus reemphasizes the point again a few verses later. "My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand." God's grip of providential care and mercy is so strong that nothing can separate us. We



might think things take us out of God's hand - life circumstances, tragedy, our lukewarm attitudes towards faith - but Jesus tells us otherwise. Nothing, no one, can take us out of the Father's hand, and we can't take ourselves out! We can't remove ourselves from Him, not 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:

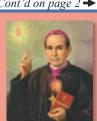
First Tuesday & Thursday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Call parish office to register.

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 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, Rev. Jan P. Klak

IVIAY Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary

May 4/5 attendance & collection totals unavailable at press time.

This Week's Weddings
Richard Valdez & Flizabeth Reyes



GOSPEL MEDITATION, Cont'd from page 1

entirely. Even when grievous sin hardens us to grace, His love is still sustaining us in existence. And His mercy is always awaiting our repentance.

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." This Sunday, let us heed the voice of the Good Shepherd. Whatever we feel might take us from God's hand, we can turn back to Him. God is always inviting us to follow Him and to trust in His care and be sustained by His hand.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

When something delights us, it touches us in a unique and special way. We are stirred within, filled with happiness, glee, and joy. The object of our delight captivates us, and we are eager, sometimes beyond words, to obtain it. Have you ever been delighted by your faith, the Gospel, God's Word, or an encounter with God? The Gentiles were delighted when they learned they were sharers in the Good News and ecstatic that they were included. They recognized their shepherd and realized that they discovered something or someone unlike any other before. We can easily become lukewarm in our relationship with God and forget just how lifechanging the Good News of our faith really is. We are brought to the springs of life-giving water and are gifted with something secular life simply cannot provide: Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, May 11 5 P.M. Joseph † & Ella Kopech †; Joseph L. Stein †; Robert † & Floranna Stein †; Richard Caldwell, Jr. † by Blanchard Family **★** HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! ★ Sunday, May 12 8 A.M. Lois Mendoza † by Mendoza Family 10 A.M. Francesco †, Carmela †, Sebastiano †, Corrado † & Giovanni † by Sal Spataro 12 P.M. **Special Intention for Son** by Maria M. Carazo 3 P.M. **Irma Calderon** † by Daughter & Grandkids 6 P.M. Spiritual Healing & Strength for Humanity; Poor Souls in Purgatory † by M. Gonzales Monday, May 13 8 A.M. Nat Gibbs † by Family 6:30 P.M. Holy Hour 7:30 P.M. Birthday Blessings for Leslie Wessel by Bea Peterson Tuesday, May 14 8 A.M. Birthday Blessings for Julian Belisario by Family

Birthday Blessings for Jim Bendele

by Bea Peterson

Wednesday, May 15

8 A.M.

Thursday, May 16

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

Concepcion Espinoza † by Espinoza Family

Friday, May 17

8 A.M. Birthday Blessings for Jalen Smith

by Jeanette Erickson

Saturday, May 18

5 P.M. *** FIRST COMMUNION MASS ***

Birthday Blessings for Joann Villarreal

by Irene Durand

Sunday, May 19

8 A.M. Birthday Blessings for Father Jan Klak

by Parish

10 A.M. Birthday Blessings for Alison Bendele

by Bea Peterson

12 P.M. *** FIRST COMMUNION MASS ***

Debra Saenz † & Robert Reynolds †

by Lydia Reynolds

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

6 P.M. Patricia Galindo De Sanchez †

by Husband, Daughters, Sons &

Granddaughters

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RESPECT LIFE

5 Facts to Know About the Life-Saving Hyde Amendment by Bethany Peck

When you fly on a plane, on average one or two of those lives have been saved by the Hyde Amendment, according to the research of the Charlotte Lozier Institute.

September marked the birthday of the bill's namesake and champion, Henry Hyde. Because of his life-saving work, millions of babies also celebrate their birthday. The policy which shares his name has been referred to one of the most important public health initiatives in history, credited with saving literally millions of lives since its enactment. Sadly it is also under attack by pro-abortion forces and lawmakers who want abortion to be free for all women and paid for by taxpayers like yourself.

Here's what you need to know about the Hyde Amendment:

- 1. The Hyde Amendment prohibits federal Medicaid dollars from paying for abortion.
- 2. The Hyde Amendment was first enacted by Congress in 1976 and has been passed each year since then with bipartisan support.
- 3. Most Americans oppose their tax dollars paying for abortion.
- 4. Publicly funded abortions were happening in the 1970s at a high rate. Since the passage of the Hyde Amendment, the abortion rate has dropped significantly.
- 5. Since its enactment, an estimated 2.13 million lives have been saved due to the Hyde Amendment. (Read more on this data from Dr. Michael New in his report for the Lozier Institute, "Hyde @ 40: Analyzing the Impact of the Hyde Amendment.")

While we still have our work cut out for us to make abortion is unthinkable in the United States, the Hyde Amendment has been a policy that has aided in building a culture of life, through education and literally saving over 2 million lives since 1976.

Source: March for Life Education & Defense Fund. For more info visit https://marchforlife.org/



The late Congressman Henry Hyde April 18, 1924-November 29, 2007



Words of Life

"If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple. Seek his guidance, and let the healing power of prayer, a conversation in which 'heart speaks unto heart,' strengthen you."

— USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility"

Palabras de Vida

"Si ustedes atraviesan dificultades para traer un hijo a su familia, sepan que no están solos. Dios está con ustedes, y su Iglesia desea caminar con ustedes. ... Dios tiene un hermoso plan para su vida como pareja casada. Busquen su guía, y dejen que el poder sanador de la oración, una conversación en la que 'el corazón habla al corazón', los fortalezca".

Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB
 "Siete consideraciones al afrontar la infertilidad"

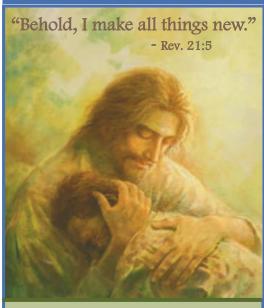
Intercessions for Life

For those struggling with infertility: may their hearts rest in the Good Shepherd, whose faithfulness endures to all generations. We pray to the Lord.

Intercesiones por la Vida

Por los que luchan contra la infertilidad: para que sus corazones descansen en el Buen Pastor, cuya fidelidad perdura por todas las generaciones. Roguemos al Señor. Page 4 May 12, 2019

PARISH NEWS



2019 Men's ACTS Retreat

May 16-19
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scholarships available.
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Roland Garcia: 210-421-5076.

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St. Anthony Claret Pantry Activity Report April 2019

Utility assistance: \$ 4,183.34
Restock food pantry: \$ 2,345.08
Other client assistance: \$ 2,545.68
Office expenses: \$ 191.59
Total food bags distributed: 188
Total people served: 516

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.

Special thanks to our parish Knight of Columbus Council #10090 and our generous parishioners for the 3,835 pounds of food donated during the "40 days for Lent" program.



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 NO LATER THAN Wednesday, May 15.

Questions? Contact Chris and Nicole Glowe at cnglowe@yahoo.com or 210-257-6616.

THE SUNDAY PUNNIES

A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.



A backwards poet writes inverse.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



MAY SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

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



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.

MOTHER'S DAY

This year the annual celebration of Mother's Day occurs on the Fourth Sunday of Easter. What a wonderful day to celebrate those women in our lives who cooperated with God to create new life and those in our lives who have nurtured our lives with love and compassion. Yes, we believe that when we are open to children we have cooperated with God in creation. In addition, those women who have said yes should be recognized. The "Book of Blessings" has a profound blessing of mothers that recognizes that all blessings come from God.

The most recognized date for the first Mother's Day in our country was in 1908. It was created by Anna Jaris. She worked tirelessly to make this day a national day in the United States. She even incorporated herself as "Mother's Day International Association" and worked for the rest of her life against the commercialism that had taken over her commemorative day. There are many instances of marking certain days for mothers in world history. However, for us it has deeper meaning because it falls during the Marian month of May. We hold our earthly mothers in high esteem and hold our heavenly mother, the Virgin Mary, in high esteem also.

This Mother's Day take some real time and thank your Mom with more than just a box of candy.



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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:







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

With Praise and Thanksgiving to Almighty God and our Mother Mary, The Archdiocese of San Antonio joyfully announces and invites you to attend the Ordination of

Deacon Duncan Amek

to the Sacred Order of Presbyter through the Invocation of the Holy Spirit and the Imposition of Hands by

His Excellency Gustavo García-Siller, MSpS Archbishop of San Antonio

> Saturday, the eighteenth day of May, two thousand nineteen at ten o'clock in the morning

> > St. Ann Catholic Church 210 St. Ann Street San Antonio, Texas 78201



Congratulations to soon-to-beordained Duncan Amek!

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY*

Robert Garcia Javier Calderon Ray & Carolyn Cole George Aldaya Dan Calderon Paul Allen Dave Whitney Romana Garcia Yareli Mendoza Sandy Salinas Fernando Mascorro Ana Galinski 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 12: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

Monday 13: Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday 14: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17 Wednesday 15: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday 16: Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20 Friday 17: Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday 18: Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14

Sunday 19: Acts 14:21-27/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35



PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

Heavenly Father,
from the beginning you have chosen to entrust
the human person to mothers in a special way.
We thank and praise you for the gift of mothers;
for their tenderness, care, and compassion,
for their intuition and encouragement,
for commitment and sacrifice.
Bless all mothers this day.
Keep, strengthen, and refresh them
in your loving care.

May they be blessed by our open-hearted love and gratitude. Amen.





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