

# St. Anthony Mary Claret

Roman Catholic Church

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September 1, 2019

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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 14:1, 7-14

Can you imagine if Jesus threw a party? From the wedding feast at Cana, we know he wouldn't let the wine run out. From this Sunday's Gospel, we know there would be quite a lively array of guests! We also knew who the most important people would be - everyone. Jesus advises throwing a party that turns everything upside down. Everyone should assume they're the least important attendee, and the guest list shouldn't include the neighborhood "who's who." Rather, we should go looking for "the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind" and hope they RSVP. Jesus describes a particular posture towards our own hospitality.

Parties are about the other people. "Do not recline at table in the place of honor." How often can small talk become a one-upmanship of job promotions, home renovations, and our children's achievements? We've all been to parties where being the most interesting guest is the highest achievement. Yet so often, we know the best party guests are the ones who listen well to our stories. Whether we are guests or hosts, we have the opportunity to look on others with humility and awe.



22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"Do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited." - Lk 14:8bc

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### 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

\*Sunday confessions will resume in September.

No confessions on holy days of obligation or Fridays of Lent.

### Baptism - Required Classes:

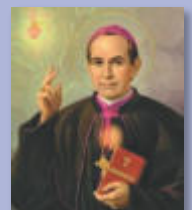
First Tuesday & Thursday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Call parish office to register.

**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.



**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](http://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

**GOSPEL MEDITATION, *Cont'd from page 1***

Parties are opportunities to serve. Jesus advises us to be careful who we invite "in case they might invite you back and you have repayment." Does Jesus literally mean we shouldn't invite our friends over? Of course not! But he does invite us to special consideration when we offer hospitality. When we invite people over to our home, what motivates us? Who we want to spend time with? Who we'd like to impress? These ultimately have only ourselves in mind. How about asking: Who could use some extra care right now? Who could benefit from a fun evening out? In other words, who can I serve?

**LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

Humility is often misunderstood as feeling inferior about ourselves and carrying around feelings of unworthiness. For many, humility is not considered a strength of character but a negative attribute and sign of weakness. Conversely, in fact, authentic humility is found in the person who is firmly grounded in reality, able to be honest with him or herself, and in right relationship with others and God. A humble person understands his or her place in life and who they are. While placing themselves at the service of others, they are comfortable in their own skin and able to step aside and let others go first. Knowing our proper place in life, offering appropriate respect, and looking to the needs of others are things that will enhance our lives and the lives of our brothers and sisters. Are you humble? ©LPI

**Aug 24/25 Attendance & Collection Totals**

Attendance	3,807
Regular Collection	\$ 25,394.71
Debt Reduction	\$ 3,955.00
Candles	\$ 452.35
Capital Campaign	\$ 350.00
SAMC Pantry	\$ 235.00
Gabriel Project	\$ 50.00

**St. Anthony Mary Claret First Saturday Mass & Devotions**

Saturday, Sept. 7  
Confession: 7:30 a.m.; Mass: 8 a.m.

followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, rosary & consecration prayer



**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

**Saturday, Aug. 31**

5 P.M. **Birthday Blessings for Esmee Banda**  
by Family

**Sunday, Sept. 1**

8 A.M. **Wayne Johnson †** by Richard Retz  
10 A.M. **Francesco †, Carmela †, Sebastiano †, Corrado † & Giovanni †** by Sal Spataro  
12 P.M. **George & Theresa Smith †**  
by Dcn. Jerry & Pat Kozar  
3 P.M. **Jaime Alvarez †; Michael Thyssen †; Klever Cabezas †** by friend Jimmy Alvares  
6 P.M. **Spiritual Healing/Strength for Current & Future Descendants of Daniel R. † & Manuela M. Gonzales †** by Y. Gonzales

**Monday, Sept. 2**

8 A.M. **\*\*\*\* PARISH OFFICE CLOSED \*\*\*\***  
**Birthday Blessings for Raymond John Peterson** by Bea Peterson  
**Birthday Blessings for Guillermina Davila** by Family  
6:30 P.M. Holy Hour  
7:30 P.M. **For the Sick of the Parish**

**Tuesday, Sept. 3**

8 A.M. **Felicidad Calderon †** by Mendoza Family  
**Dorothy Arnold †** by Bill & Jerry Bailey

**Wednesday, Sept. 4**

8 A.M. **Ronald Koerner †** by Cheryl Koerner  
**Ella Leyendecker †** by Jesse & Family

**Thursday, Sept. 5**

8 A.M. **Birthday Blessings for Nora Clare Wessel**  
by Bea Peterson  
**Kimberly Harding †** by Bill & Jerry Bailey

**Friday, Sept. 6**

8 A.M. **Special Intention for James & Henry Pawelek & Alois & Florence Olenick**  
by Olenick Family  
7 P.M. **Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Saturday, Sept. 7**

8 A.M. **For the Parish**  
5 P.M. **Birthday Blessings for Brayon Herrera**  
by Rodriguez Family

**Sunday, Sept. 8**

8 A.M. **Birthday Blessings for Teresa Roark**  
by Family  
10 A.M. **Alan J. Ponce †; Margaret † & Albert Suarez †** by Alma Ponce  
12 P.M. **Adolfo De Luna †; Birthday Blessings for Kaylin Cola** by Mr. & Mrs. Pablo De Luna  
**For the Parish**  
3 P.M. **Birthday Blessings for Amelia Banda**  
6 P.M. by Family

**RESPECT LIFE**

**Another Look at Abortion**

Read the full version at [usccb.org/abortion](http://usccb.org/abortion).



If someone takes an innocent person's life after he or she is born, it's against the law; before birth (even minutes before, in most states), it's legal because of the U.S. Supreme Court *Roe v. Wade* decision in 1973.

Abortion results in the death of a child. For many, abortion causes severe and long-lasting emotional, psychological, and spiritual trauma, and other detrimental effects have also been documented. (For help, visit [www.HopeAfterAbortion.org](http://www.HopeAfterAbortion.org).)

*Support mothers and their children during and after difficult pregnancies.*

So, what are we to do? The Church does not approach difficult pregnancy decisions with a false "either/or" mentality, pitting mother against child. We love them both! Learn more at [www.usccb.org/abortion](http://www.usccb.org/abortion).

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May all who fear confessing involvement in abortion be assured of Christ's mercy.



[usccb.org/prayforlife](http://usccb.org/prayforlife)

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**Intercessions for Life**

May the life of every human person, from conception to natural death, be protected in our laws and cherished in our hearts; we pray to the Lord.

**Intercesiones por la Vida**

Que la vida de cada persona humana, desde la concepción a la muerte natural, esté protegida en nuestras leyes y atesorada en nuestro corazón; roguemos al Señor.

**COMMUNITY PRO-LIFE NEWS**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

What is happening to our families, to marriages, our youth, our Churches, our nations, and world? Why so much dysfunction and despair? Where is God's faith, hope, and love?

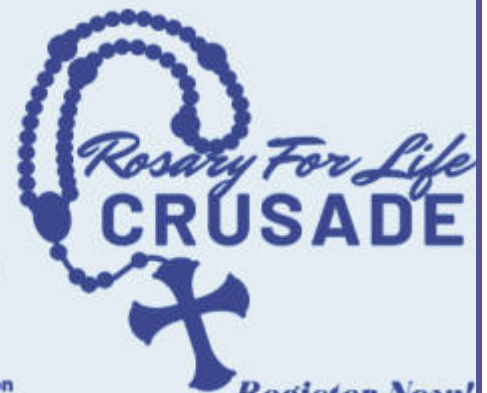
Come and join us, as we identify the roots of how we have arrived here. It will be a weekend where we will listen, learn, discern, share, and pray to fully live our baptism, renounce the culture of death, and believe and build up the Culture of Life!

The enemy comes to steal, kill, and destroy, but Christ comes that all may have life and life in abundance! Come!

**Friday, September 6**  
5pm - Adoration  
6:30-9:30pm Presentation

**Saturday, September 7**  
8am - Mass  
9:00-12:30pm Presentation  
Lunch

1:15pm - 3:00pm Presentation  
Location: St. Mary Magdalen Church  
1710 Clower St., San Antonio TX



**Register Now!**

[www.rosaryforlifecrusadesa.eventbrite.com](http://www.rosaryforlifecrusadesa.eventbrite.com)



**PARISH PRO-LIFE NEWS**

Visit the **Respect Life Ministry** table in the narthex after Mass on the last weekend of every month for **FREE** items!

For the next nine months, if you sign up for our spiritual adoption at-home prayer campaign, you'll receive a lifelike model of a 12-week old baby!



**PARISH NEWS**



**JOIN THE PARISH CHOIR!**

Choir rehearsals begin Thursday, Sept. 5 in the choir/conference room in the parish office area of the church. Children's choir: 6-6:45 p.m.; adult choir: 7-8:30 p.m. Openings for all voice parts. For more info or to register, contact Paul Rauschhuber at 210-865-4717 or prauschhuber@yahoo.com.



**Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Fundraiser**  
**Sunday, Sept. 8- 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Msgr. Hubertus Hall**  
**Cost: \$8 – Cash, Check, Credit Card Accepted**

Proceeds benefit the charitable missions we have for this fraternal year.



**St. Anthony Claret Silver Seniors Social**

Wednesday, Sept. 11, 12-3 p.m.. Msgr. Hubertus Hall

- ◆ Dinner/birthday celebrations
- ◆ Bring canned food donations for St. Anthony Claret's Pantry.
- ◆ American Heritage Girls coffee sales

Guest speakers from Alicia Lopez Trevino Senior Center & Casa Helotes  
 New members welcome! For info, contact Larry Lucido at (210) 473-4813.



**Retiro De ACTS en Español para Mujeres**

**Septiembre 12-15**

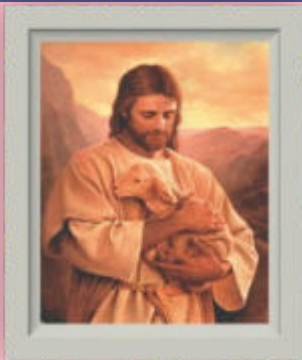
**Centro de Retiros Cordi-Marian; Costo\*: \$175**

**Para más información y registro, contactar:**

**Claudia Delgado, directora: (210) 410-6906**

\* Becas limitadas. Aplicaciones disponibles en el narthex

*"Alégrense conmigo, porque ya encontré la oveja que se me había perdido." -Lucas 15:6*



**Journey Through Scripture Series: "The Bible and Prayer" (English)**

English evening class on Sun., Sept. 15, 7 p.m.; English morning class on Tues., Sept. 17, 10 a.m.

Saturday Fast-Track class begins Saturday, Nov. 9, 10 a.m.

To learn more, visit [www.SalvationHistory.com](http://www.SalvationHistory.com). Workbook provided.

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**Journey Through Scripture Series: "The Bible and the Sacraments" (Spanish)**

**Viaje a través de series de la Escritura: "La Biblia y los Sacramentos" (español)**

Las clases comienzan el domingo 15 de septiembre, 1 p.m. /Para aprender más, se puede visitar [stpaulcenter.com/journey-through-scripture](http://stpaulcenter.com/journey-through-scripture).

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*Ages 15 and up. Limited seating.* Register by phone through Sept. 8. Classes in English: CJ Garcia-Aboytes at (210) 843-1198. Classes in Spanish: Felipe Forero at (210) 833-8552.



**We need diapers!**



Every month the Gabriel Project spends over \$1000 to provide diapers for needy infants. You can help. Our parish Knights of Columbus Council #10090 is coordinating this effort. Drop diaper donations in

sizes 4, 5 & 6 in the narthex. For more info, contact Matt Muniz at 210-861-4535 or [ajax47@satx.rr.com](mailto:ajax47@satx.rr.com).

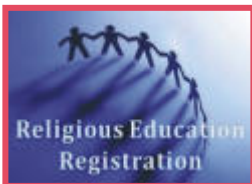


**THE SUNDAY FUNNIES**

Thomas, a businessman, is on his death-bed so he calls his friend and says, "Eli, I want you to promise me that when I die you will have my remains cremated." "And what," Eli asks, "do you want me to do with your ashes?" Thomas replies, "Just put them in an envelope and mail them to the Internal Revenue Service and write on the envelope, 'Now you have everything!'"



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / RCIA NEWS



## RE Registration Info &amp; Requirements—READ CAREFULLY!

## FINAL DAY TO REGISTER:

Aug. 30 – 12-5 p.m., RE Building; registration after Aug. 30 requires special permission from DRE Michelle Reynolds by appointment only. Contact her at reoffice@saclaret.com.

- New First Communion students must have baptismal certificate.
- New Confirmation students must have baptismal/First Communion certificate.
- CHILDREN IN CUSTODY SITUATIONS must have custody paperwork at registration.
- CHILDREN REGISTERED BY ANYONE OTHER THAN PARENTS must have letter of permission at registration.
- Cost increase to \$45 per child; \$120 max.
- *New students from other parishes* must have letter from their pastor stating attendance is allowed.

## IMPORTANT INFO FOR FIRST COMMUNION &amp; CONFIRMATION PARENTS

- *Parents* of First Communion students must attend a mandatory meeting in September to discuss requirements for the year. Anyone not attending must submit request to meet with DRE Michelle Reynolds at reoffice@saclaret.com *before attending classes*.
- *Parents and students* in Confirmation program must attend a mandatory meeting in September to discuss requirements for the year. Anyone not attending must submit request to meet with DRE Michelle Reynolds at reoffice@saclaret.com *before attending classes*.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)  
RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children)

*Why join the Catholic Church?*



Through RCIA/RCIC interested adults and children come to know the presence of God and learn how a relationship with Him can change their lives. We will study the scriptures, discuss Catholic teaching, and get a true, good and honest idea about what the Catholic Church is really all about. **If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic or were baptized Catholic but have never celebrated Eucharist or Confirmation, contact Jennifer Rupert at rcia@saclaret.com or 210-688-9033, x214.**

## RCIA Babysitters needed!

Do you have a love for children, patience, and a desire to help? Volunteer for the RCIA childcare team! We need at least one adult 18 or over. Teens are also welcome and can earn service hours. The commitment is for Tuesday evenings, 7-9 p.m., Sept. through May. Interested? Contact Jennifer Rupert at 210-688-9033, x214.



## PARISH NEWS



*Toda espiritualidad es una manera particular de vivir la vida Cristiana y se distinguen entre sí en cuanto al aspecto específico que siguen de la vida de Jesús.*

## El Apostolado de la Cruz

nos ofrece un camino de vida que nos lleva a una transformación constante como personas y católicos en el mundo de hoy. Vivir en el espíritu de esta obra nos llama a santificar la cruz de cada día y promover el reinado del Espíritu Santo a través del trabajo apostólico para que florezca la santidad y el amor en el mundo.

***Empezamos grupo nuevo el 12 de septiembre. Nos estaremos reuniendo todos los jueves a partir de las 7 p.m. en el edificio de educacion religiosa, #1103.***

***Para conocer esta bella y valiosa espiritualidad de la Cruz Estas cordialmente invitada a una presentación informativa que se llevara a cabo el jueves, 5 de septiembre a las 7 p.m. en el edificio de educacion religiosa, #1103.***

Si te gustaría información adicional acerca de este Ministerio espiritual puedes contactar a Maria Luisa Gonzalez: 830 476-5083 (llamada, whatsapp o texto) o Vanessa Torrent: 817-6375914 (texto).

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:



Diego Castellanos



Luis De La Cruz

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.

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us!

The committee also commends to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: Congregation of Sisters of St. Felix of Cantalice (Felicians).

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY\*

- Ruben Villanueva
Harold Shields
Javier Calderon
Ray & Carolyn Cole
George Aldaya
Paul Allen
Dave Whitney
Romana Garcia
Sandy Salinas
Fernando Mascorro
Ana Galinski
S.T.
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Jack & Jeanette Donohue
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Maria Morales
Rosa Huerta
Richard Keller
Barbara Vanegas



- Rudy Navarro
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Olga & Rudy Faz
Dee Hancock
Grace Heinze
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

\*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 1: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14
Monday 2: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday 3: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday 4: Col 1:1-8/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday 5: Col 1:9-14/Lk 5:1-11
Friday 6: Col 1:15-20/Lk 5:33-39
Saturday 7: Col 1:21-23/Lk -6:1-5
Sunday 8: Wis 9:13-18b/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33



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 bricks now through Sept. 13 for this year's installation. Order forms available in the parish office, in the narthex or right here in the bulletin.

For info, contact Kelly Comeau at oom4more@twc.com.



Memorial Bricks

\$60.00 A BRICK

Line 1: Inscription: # [ ] Cross Emblem (Optional) Yes, add cross for \$5.00 No cross emblem

Line 2: Name of deceased (16 spaces and characters available)

Line 3: (16 spaces and characters available)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Check # or Cash: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Brick order deadline is Sept. 13, 2019, for installation before November 1.

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