St. Anthony Mary Claret

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Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and

the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if

someone should rise from the dead." - Lk 16:31

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 29, 2019

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Jan P. Klak, Ph.L., S.T.L., Ph.D.

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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 16:19-31

If you saw someone dead come to life tomorrow, what would you change about your life? Would you say "nothing"? That's what Jesus seems to hope. After all, we already know what to do. In this Sunday's Gospel, a rich man and a poor man pass away, the former to damnation and the latter to peaceful rest alongside the Jewish patriarchs. The rich man asks if the poor man can appear to his brothers and advise them to live a more virtuous life. The parable offers a strong rebuke: "They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them." In other words, they should already know what to do.

We, too, know what to do. More than Moses, Jesus Christ himself has spoken, and continues to speak through his Church. The rich man did not heed the wise words, despite knowing them. If we are convicted against certain Chris-

tian teachings in our heart, how much good will miraculous "proofs" do? We know more than the law and the prophets — we know the prophetic law of love proclaimed by Jesus Christ. Are we living like we believe it?

Where in our lives are we like the rich man? Do we know how to treat the poor but still we

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)*

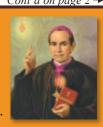
Weekdays: 7:30 a.m.; Saturdays: 4 p.m.- last in line Sundays: 9 a.m.-12 p.m. (or last in line), 4 p.m.- last in line. No confessions on holy days of obligation or Fridays of Lent.

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.





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

GOSPEL MEDITATION, Cont'd from page 1

ignore them in our excess? Do we know the third commandment, but the Sunday liturgy feels "optional" when other

Sept. 22/23 Attendance & Collection Totals

Attendance	4,050
Regular Collection	\$ 22,228.29
Debt Reduction	\$ 3,480.00
Candles	\$ 473.96
Gabriel Project	\$ 300.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 120.00
SAMC Pantry	\$ 30.00
Rosary Makers	\$ 14.00
Hope for the Future	\$ 10.00

See page 4 of this bulletin for a special announcement about next weekend's second collection.

St. Anthony Mary Claret First Saturday Mass & Devotions

Saturday, Oct. 5 Confession: 7:30 a.m.; Mass: 8 a.m. followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, rosary & consecration prayer



weekend commitments arise? Have we heard Christ's teachings on sexuality, but consider them out of reach for us? We have received a great many truths as Christian people. We are blessed by God with the sacraments and the abundance of His graces. We have what we need — in Him — to begin to live a virtuous life now.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

People often think that if they witness something miraculous, it would bring them to a greater faith and motivate them for greater involvement. Such is not necessarily true, as coming to a real and authentic faith still requires that we struggle with ourselves a bit and change our approach to living. Authentic faith is acquired when we see wisdom and life in the words of the prophets and in the teachings of Jesus Christ. All of these point us to a God who has a particular set of priorities for how life is meant to be lived. We have to avoid the trap of complacency that is rooted in preserving our own self-interests and living lives that pursue "righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness." (1 TM 6: 11) Complacency keeps us stuck in the status quo and prevents us from working toward respect for life, equality, and justice, and from advocating on behalf of the needs of the poor, the homeless, and the alien. Are you complacent?

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, Sept	. 28		M. Jackson† by Jackson Family	
5 P.M.	Bert† & Michael Bednarz† by Martha Bednarz Mary Hodge† by John & Rose Thorsky	Thursday, Oct. 8 A.M.	3 Olga Garcia† by Hernandez Family	
Sunday, Sept. 29		Friday, Oct. 4		
8 A.M.	Dwight V. Goldstrom [†] by Thelma Goldstrom	8 A.M.	Birthday Blessings for Lorenzo Macias	
10 A.M.	Luis A. Cruz†, Lupe Rivera†, Ernesto		by Macias Family	
	Iturrino [†] , Emilio Iturrino [†] by Jannette	Saturday, Oct. 5		
10.0.14	Hebert	8 A.M.	Special Intention for Oscar & Cecilia	
12 P.M.	60 th Anniversary Blessings for Eduardo		Dominguez by Delia Dominguez	
3 P.M.	& Sylvia Alcantar by Family Elvira G. Barrientes† by Daughter Vera		Magdalena Agustin† by Carmen & Corazon	
6 P.M.	Philip Ancharski ⁺ by Jeanette Erickson	5 P.M.	Joseph† & Ella Kopech†; Joseph L. Stein†;	
			Robert† & Floranna Stein†; Richard	
Monday, Sept. 8 A.M.	For the Parish		Caldwell, Jr. [†] by Blanchard Family	
6:30 P.M.	Holy Hour	Sunday, Oct. 6		
7:30 P.M.	For an End to Abortion	8 A.M.	Billie Sievers† by Charlie Sievers	
		10 A.M.	Francesco†, Carmela†, Sebastiano†,	
Tuesday, Oct. 1 8 A.M.	Rudy† & Selia Garcia†; Manuel† &	12 P.M.	Corrado† & Giovanni † by Sal Spataro Justin Acap † by Mom	
0 A.W.	Concepcion Espinoza [†] by Espinoza	3 P.M.	Maria De Jesus Diaz [†] ; Rudy Garcia, Jr. [†] ;	
	Family	01.101.	Norma Lisa Villanueva† by Mirelia Arguelles	
Wednesday, O		6 P.M.	Special Intention for James & Henry	
8 A.M.	Arthur A. & Antonia Jackson [†] ; Arthur W.		Pawelek & Alois & Florence Olenick	
0 1 10111	Jackson†; Dolores K. Jackson†; Maria		by Olenick Family	

LOVE & MARRIAGE

Catholic Marriage FAQs—Part 2 of 3

What is a Nuptial Mass and when can a couple have one?

A Nuptial Mass is a Mass which includes the celebration of the sacrament of marriage. It has special readings and prayers suitable to the Sacrament of Marriage. The Sacrament of Marriage between two baptized Catholics should normally be celebrated within Mass.

If the situation warrants it and the local bishop gives permission, a Nuptial Mass may be celebrated for a marriage between a Catholic and a baptized person who is not a Catholic, except that Communion is not given to the non-Catholic since the general law of the church does not allow it. In such instances, it is better to use the appropriate ritual for marriage outside Mass. This is always the case in a marriage between a baptized Catholic and a non-baptized person.

Are weddings permitted on Sundays or during Lent?

Church law allows weddings to be held during most days of the year, except the Triduum. However, many parishes do not schedule weddings on Sundays because of the conflict with regularly scheduled Masses and other parish activities. In addition, some dioceses and parishes do not allow weddings during Lent, a season of penance.

What should a couple do when they decide that they want to marry in the Catholic Church?

They should contact their parish as soon as possible and make an appointment to talk with the priest, deacon or staff person who is responsible for preparing couples for marriage. This person will explain the process of marriage preparation and the various programs that are offered.

Why does the church require engaged couples to participate in a marriage preparation program?

Marriage preparation offers couples the opportunity to develop a better understanding of Christian marriage; to evaluate and deepen their readiness to live married life; and to gain insights into themselves as individuals and as a couple. It is especially effective in helping couples to deal with the challenges of the early years of marriage.

What kinds of marriage preparation programs does the church offer?

Depending on the diocese and the parish, several may be available. Programs include a weekend program with other couples, such as <u>Catholic Engaged Encounter</u>, a series of sessions in large or small groups or meetings with an experienced married couple. Some programs may be offered in Spanish and other languages. Specific programs address particular circumstances, such as remarriage, children brought into the marriage and marriage to a non-Catholic. As part of their preparation, many couples complete a premarital inventory, such as FOCCUS, to identify issues for further discussion.

What key issues are covered in marriage preparation?

Marriage preparation programs help couples to understand the Christian and the human aspects of marriage. Typical topics include: the meaning of marriage as a sacrament; faith, prayer and the church; roles in marriage; communication and conflict resolution; children, parenthood and Natural Family Planning; finances; and family of origin.

Is there a cost for marriage preparation programs?

Most programs charge a modest fee to cover the cost of materials. Programs that require an overnight stay will include an additional cost for rooms and meals. Assistance is frequently available for couples who would otherwise be unable to participate.

... To be continued... From <u>www.ForYourMarriage.org</u>, an initiative of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Used with permission.

Intercessions for Life

For our elected officials: that they may seek righteousness, and work to secure justice and protection

for every human life; we pray to the Lord.

Intercesiones por la Vida Por nuestros funcionarios elegidos: para que busquen la rectitud, y trabajen para asegurar la justicia y la protección para cada vida humana; roguemos al Señor.

RESPECT LIFE

Words of Life

Every child conceived by in vitro fertilization is truly deserving of respect and love: Each is a human person, regardless of the manner of conception. The problem is that the way they are brought into the world does not live up to their dignity.

---- "Life Matters: Reproductive Technologies," Respect Life Program 2011-2012

Palabras de Vida

Todo niño que se concibe mediante la fertilización in vitro es sin duda merecedor de respeto y amor: cada uno de ellos es un ser humano, más allá de la forma en que fue concebido. El problema es que la manera en que llegan al mundo no hace honor a su dignidad.

> ----"La vida importa: Tecnologías reproductivas", Programa Respetemos la Vida 2011-2012



PARISH NEWS

Ladies of St. Anthony Claret



Saturday, Oct. 26, 6:30 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall \$10 tickets cover dinner, desserts, tea, & prizes; 50/50 raffle Tickets on sale after all Masses starting Oct. 5/6. NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR. Proceeds benefit parish scholarship program. Open to ages 10 & over. For more info, call Wanda Mares at 210-355-4123.



We need diapers!



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

SENIOR

donations in sizes 4, 5 & 6 ONLY

in the narthex. For info, contact Matt Muniz at 210-861-4535 or ajax47@satx.rr.com.



St. Anthony Claret Silver Seniors Social

Wednesday, Oct. 9, 12-3 p.m.. Msgr. Hubertus Hall
Topic: Dementia/Alzheimer's awareness
Please bring a covered dish & canned food donations for St. Anthony Claret's Pantry.

New members welcome! For info, contact Larry Lucido at (210) 473-4813.

This Week in Our Parish Quinceañeras: Serenity Vasquez



Weddings: Jose Delgado & Johanna Longoria Marco Munoz & Julia Sandoval



The Gabriel Project is a faith-based outreach program that repeats the same message of hope to pregnant women in need today. We work to end abortion, abandonment, abuse, and neglect due to the inability to provide for the needs of the child.

We want to expand our hours so we may continue to serve our clients and provide for their children's needs. Currently, we are open Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m., and the fourth Saturday each month. We would like to open one evening each week. If you are interested in becoming a Gabriel project angel, contact Darlene Belanger at (210) 316-1065.

Mother Teresa said, "We cannot all do great things, but we can do small things with great love, and together we can do something wonderful."

Join us as we work to do small things with great love and together we can do something wonderful for those in need.

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Saturday, Oct. 12, 12 noon Under the trees by the picnic tables next to Msgr. Hubertus Hall



Sponsored by America Needs

Fatima, an organization that spreads the message of Fatima in the U.S. The goal of America Needs Fatima is to win the heart and soul of America for Mary by spreading Our Lady's Fatima message and promoting devotion to Her Immaculate Heart. Learn more about them at

Hope for the Future/Catholic School Special Collection

The Oct. 5/6 special collection supports Hope for the Future and Catholic schools and students in our community. This helps fund tuition assistance and grants for the 38 schools in our archdiocese. Your contribution enables more children to receive a priceless Catholic school education where they can grow academically and spiritually.

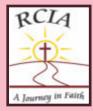


"Everything indeed is for you, so that the grace bestowed in abundance on more and more people may cause the thanksgiving to overflow for the glory of God." - 2Cor 4:15

RCIA NEWS/YOUTH GROUP

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 scripture, 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.

COMMUNITY NEWS



MONDAY OCTOBER 14, 2019 12:30 p.m.

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 experience o STRUCTURED CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENT appeal to you?

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- be immersed in a Catholic environm
- learn how to know, love and serve God
- meetive a classical style education
- become a critical thinker and life-long learn
- enjoy the benefits of a classroom setting

REFRESHMENTS SERVED & CHILDREN ARE WELCOME!

RSVP TO: KDANZE SAT@RCAHYBRID.ORG

Divorced, widowed, or separated and hurting? **Beginning Experience Weekend Retreat**

will help you deal with the grief process. It offers an opportunity for turning the pain of loss into a growth experience. People in any stage of life, male or female, who have experienced such a

loss can benefit from this retreat. Next retreat dates: Oct. 11-13. For more info, visit http:// www.sanantoniobe.org/, call Barbara at 210-256-2859 or email sanantoniobe@yahoo.com.



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.

St. Anthony Claret Youth Group -What You Need to Know

High school (grades 9-12) youth group utilizes the LIFE TEEN program. Life Teen is a movement within the Roman Catholic Church that is leading teenagers into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church through prayer, community and discipleship.

Middle school (grades 6-8) youth group utilizes the EDGE program. Edge is a Catholic middle school youth ministry program. It provides a safe, fun place for youth to learn about the richness of the Catholic faith, to answer their questions about it, and most importantly, to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way.

It's not too late to sign up for LIFE TEEN or EDGE!



Download registration forms & youth calendar from the parish website: http://samcsa.com/ ministries/social-ministries/youth-

group/

Upcoming OCT 13 Event: Take Jesus to the Street Rally for grades 6-12 Contact youth ministry coordinator Martie Kokotajlo at (210) 688-9033, x209 or youthgroup@saclaret.com for details and to find out how you can earn service hours.

THE SUNDAY FUNNIES



A grasshopper sits down at a bar. The bartender says, "We have a drink named after you!" The grasshopper replies, "Who names a drink 'Steve?'"

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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:





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).*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 29: Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31 Monday 30: Zec 8:1-8/Lk 9:46-50 Tuesday 1: Zec 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56 Wednesday 2: Neh 2:1-8/Mt 18:1-5, 10 Thursday 3: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Lk 10:1-12 Friday 4: Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16 Saturday 5: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24 Sunday 6: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

COMMUNITY NEWS

Our Lady of Fatima 102nd Anniversary Celebration of the Miracle of the Sun Saturday, October 5; Mass: 2 p.m. Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, 5722 Blanco Rd. Main Celebrant: Most Rev. Michael Pfeifer OMI



Sponsor: Servants of Jesus and Mary, S.A. Propagating the messages of Our Lady of Fatima Spiritual Director, Fr. Jaime Renteria, MNM For info, contact Mila at 210-852-8537, Gloria at 210-349-5601 or Laura at 210-823-6601.

(Organization approved & listed in the 2018-2019 Official Directory of the Archdiocese of San Antonio.)

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY*

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Richard Keller Barbara Vanegas Rudy Navarro A.Ć. Garza 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.

COMMUNITY NEWS



WHERE HEALTH CARE ETHICS AND MEDICINE CONVERGE

CATHOLIC MEDICINE IN A SECULAR SOCIETY

OCTOBER 19, 2019 | 8:30AM - 7:30PM UNIVERSITY OF THE INCARNATE WORD 4301 BROADWAY ST, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78209

How to Remain Catholic in a Secular Culture Dariel F. Battafarano, DO, MACP, FACR

Gender Dysphoria in Children & Adults: Science, Ideology, and Ethics Paul Hruz, MD, PhD

A Catholic Response to the Opioid Crisis Jeffrey Berger, MD, FASAM

Physician, Heal Thyself Monico Ashour, MTS, MHum

End of Life Issues at Life's Beginning Robin Pierucci, MD, MA

Pornography Addiction: A Trauma-Informed Approach to Conceptualization and Treatment Jennifer A. Modere, MA, LPC-S, EMDRIA-AC

Despair, Depression, and Assisted Suicide Francie Broghammer, MD

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