# St. Anthony Mary Claret

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# February 9, 2020

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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:** MT 5:17-37

People are not property. We cannot exchange them at will or simply use them for our own designs and purposes. What does the word "commitment" mean to you? We can begin to understand its meaning by looking at some synonyms: dedication, devotion, allegiance, lovalty, faithfulness, fidelity, and bond. Commitment is primarily about relationship, and Jesus is all about relationships. How our lives affect others, how we treat our brothers and sisters, how we resolve conflict, and how we view the vows of marriage. Jesus' teachings on obeying the commandments, murder, reconciliation, marriage, divorce, and adultery all stem from the sacredness of commitment. All of this has a God connection.

We can easily see one another as interchangeable and dispensable. We treat so much of our lives this

way. What works today may not be what I want tomorrow. We search and search for the right thing only to find our hearts still restless in the end. Is real happiness achievable this ont'd on page

#### 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 and administering of the Sacrament of the Sick Every first Thursday of the month: 7 p.m. bilingual Holy Hour

Tuesday - Friday 8 a.m. / Saturday Vigil Mass 5 p.m. Sunday: 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 12 p.m., 3 p.m. (Spanish), & 6 p.m. Holy Days of Obligation: 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:** 

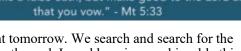
First Tuesday & Thursday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Call parish office to register. Visitation of the Sick: Call parish office to schedule visit. Funerals: Call parish office prior to making arrangements.

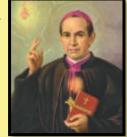
Marriage Prep: Call parish office at least six months to one year prior to wedding. Must attend mandatory orientation session the third Thursday of March or September at 7 p.m.

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.

# Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME "Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors, Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all









# **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

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

side of the grave? Sometimes we expect too much out of others and want our relationships to fill a hole that we must figure out how to fill ourselves. Any seasoned married couple will tell you that their love for one another changes as time passes. Even though the understanding of romance changes as life changes, the dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, and fidelity all remain and even deepen.

Some relationships can be hurtful, and God does not want us to live with abuse or pain. Also, how a relationship develops is sometimes out of our control, and we become the victim of someone else's decision. But we can't be self-focused in our relationships and see them exclusively as self-fulfilling ends. We are companions on life's journey with varying depths of relationships being enjoyed by all who are with us along the way. We have the freedom to choose. God asks us to do so wisely, with right judgment and thinking.

## LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

One of the greatest and most necessary gifts God gives us is free will. We always have the ability to choose. Life or death and good or evil are two of the core decisions every human being must make. We can choose to love and choose whether to pursue a relationship with God. True salvation comes when we make the choices that keep us focused on God and God's commandments. How we view others reveals what choices we have made. People are not property, and they are not dispensable. We cannot exchange them at will or use them for our own self-serving ends. For this reason, God holds high the commitment of marriage and the integrity of all of our relationships. This is the basis of God's teaching on forgiveness and reconciliation, and the reason adultery is prohibited. **©LPi** 

# MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, Feb. 15			by Family	
5 P.M.	Billie Sievers† by Charlie Sievers & Family	Thursday, Feb. 8 A.M.	. 20 Spiritual Healing & Strength for Priests,	
Sunday, Feb. 16			Yesenia Gonzales, Fabian Gonzales,	
8 A.M.	Jesus Vasquez † by Daughter, Teresa		Aristotle Vela, Ceile Ayres, & RCIA &	
10 A.M.	Alan J. Ponce <sup>†</sup> ; Margaret <sup>†</sup> & Albert		Confirmation Students by M. Gonzales	
12 P.M.	Suarez† by Alma Ponce Jesus & Tila Vasquez† by Daughter, Teresa Grace Tobey† by Family	Friday, Feb. 21 8 A.M.	Margaret Pandrock† by Dcn. Jerry & Pat Kozar	
3 P.M.	Maria De Jesus Diaz <sup>†</sup> ; Rudy Garcia, Jr. <sup>†</sup> ; & Norma Lisa Villanueva <sup>†</sup> by Mirelia Arguelles	Saturday, Feb. 5 P.M.	22 Joseph† & Ella Kopech†; Joseph L. Stein†;	
6 P.M.	<b>Jesus &amp; Tila Vasquez†; Mary Padilla†</b> by Teresa & Daughters		Robert† & Floranna Stein†; Richard Caldwell, Jr.† by Blanchard Family	
Monday, Feb. 17		Sunday, Feb. 23		
8 A.M.	Birthday Blessings for Mary Macias by Mary Macias	8 A.M. 10 A.M.	Susana J. Gonzalez † by Family Francesco†, Maria†, Carmela†, Corrado†,	
6:30	Holy Hour	10 D M	Sebastiano†, & Giovanni† by Sal Spataro	
7:30 P.M.	For the Parish	12 P.M.	All Moravits & Zaiontz Family Members by Family	
Tuesday, Feb. 18		3 P.M.	<b>Oralia Aguilar</b> <sup>†</sup> by Sister, Olivia Zertuche	
8 A.M.	Elvira Gonzales † by Louis Gonzales	6 P.M.	<b>Deborah Gallegos</b> <sup>†</sup> by Espinoza & Flores	
Wednesday, Feb. 19 Families				
8 A.M.	Birthday Blessings for Maria Gibbs			

#### Feb/ 1/2 Attendance & Collection Totals

Attendance	3,834
Regular Collection	\$ 25,159.97
Debt Reduction	\$ 5,433.00
Gabriel Project	\$ 740.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 468.00
Candles	\$ 451.97
SAMC Pantry	\$ 75.00
Rosary Makers	\$ 25.00
Church in Cent./East. Europe	\$ 20.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 10.00

This Week in Our Parish

Weddings:

Michael Nutt &

Laura lessen



# **RESPECT LIFE/RESPETEMOS LA VIDA**

# Word of Life

"Prayer is the foundation of all that we do in defense of human life. Our efforts—whether educational, pastoral, or legislative—will be less than fully fruitful if we do not change hearts and if we do not ourselves overcome our own spiritual blindness. Only with prayer—prayer that storms the heavens for justice and mercy, prayer that cleanses our hearts and our souls—will the culture of death that surrounds us today be replaced with a culture of life." — "Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities" United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

# Palabra De Vida

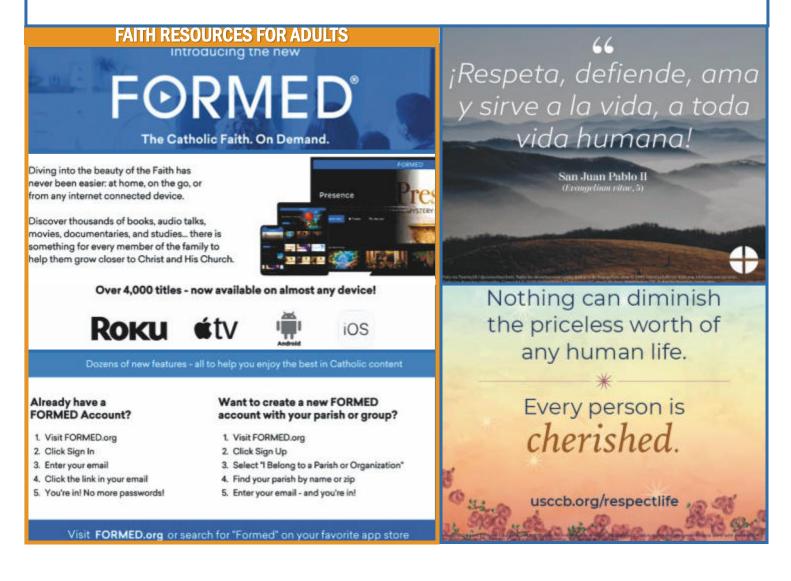
"La oración es el fundamento de todo lo que hacemos en defensa de la vida humana. Nuestros esfuerzos—ya sea educativos, pastorales o legislativos—no serán fructíferos si no cambiamos los corazones y si no superamos nuestra propia ceguera espiritual. Sólo con oraciones—oraciones que claman al cielo justicia y piedad, oraciones que purifiquen nuestra alma y nuestro corazón— se reemplazará la cultura de la muerte que nos rodea en la actualidad con la cultura de la vida." — "Plan pastoral para actividades pro vida" Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de Estados Unidos

# **Intercessions for Life**

For the times we have disregarded God's commandments and violated the sanctity of human life: may we repent, receive the Lord's mercy, and live according to His laws; we pray to the Lord.

# Intercesiones por la Vida

Por las veces que ignoramos los mandamientos de Dios y vulneramos la santidad de la vida humana: que nos arrepintamos, recibamos la misericordia del Señor, y vivamos conforme a Sus leyes; roguemos al Señor.



### February 9, 2020

# **PARISH NEWS**

Daughters of God, you are invited to an encounter with vour merciful Lord.

# 2020 Women's **ACTS Retreat** (English)

# Feb. 27-March 1

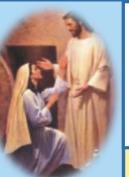
Cordi Marian Retreat Center

Cost: \$185; for info or to register, contact Norma Villarreal: 956-337-8098; Jennifer Eck: 210-790-5911; or Cheryl Tapia: 210-254-5998.

Be merciful O Lord, for we have sinned. Give me back the joy of your salvation and a willing spirit sustain in me. -Psalm 51:12

> Cada primer jueves del mes a las 7 p.m. La iglesia de St. Anthony Mary Claret observara una HORA SANTA BILINGÜE. Estás invitado a un tiempo de oración en adoración al Santísimo Sacramento.

> > **Every** first Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. St. Anthony Mary Claret Catholic Church will observe a BILINGUAL HOLY HOUR. ou are invited to a time of prayer in adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament.



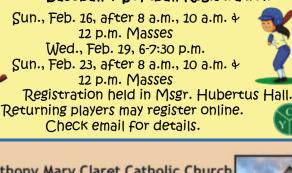


Our parish is looking for a part-time grounds & maintenance person. Send resume to saclaret@saclaret.com by Monday, February 17.



# St. Anthony Mary Claret CYO Track, Baseball & Softball Registration





St. Anthony Mary Claret Catholic Church y Koinonia Ministry Te invitan al

# Mini-Retiro de Silencion de Cuaresma

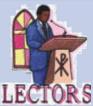
"Dios mora en el silencio del corazon; Dios es amigo del silencio." - Madre Teresa de Calcutta

El Viernes 28 de Febrero, 5:30-9:30 p.m. y El Sábado 29 de Febrero, 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. St. Anthony Catholic Church, 6150 Roft Rd., RE Bldg. Habrá Misa bilingüe contemplativa a las 11 es sábado

Inscripción :\$35; almuerzo: \$5 o donación; playera: \$15; efectivo o cheque (a nombre de Koinonia Ministry)

Para información y registro comunicarse a la parroquia en 210-688-9033 o a Koinonia en 210-393-3493. Formularios de registro disponibles en el narthex.

Cupo limitado (50-español)



# **Training for NEW Lectors** Wednesday, Feb. 19, 7 p.m. in the church.

For more info, contact Scott Kollmansberger at (210) 273-2297.

**Formación para NUEVOS Lectores** 

Miércoles, 28 de agosto, 7 p.m. en la iglesia. Para más información póngase en contacto con Scott Kollmansberger en (210) 273-2297.



My wife told me to stop acting like a flamingo.



No habrá cuidado de niños

HE SUNDAY FUNNIES

So I had to put my foot down.

# FRATERNAL BENEFITS EVENT

Saturday, Feb. 29, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. St. Anthony Mary Claret Msgr. Hubertus Hall 6150 Roft Road, SA TX

# All parishioners welcome!

Snacks – Drinks – Goodie Bags included (while supplies last)

# RSVP (Optional) to

Sir Knight Joseph Torrez F.A. at 210-240-5989 or Joe.Torrez@kofc.org This FREE event is hosted by Knights of Columbus field agents for our parishioners. It is brought to you by our parish's Knights of Columbus and Silver Seniors ministry.

Information and education will be provided on the following:

social security

Mothers & Daughters

long term care lawyers for wills & trust creations

For generations, the mission of the Knights of Columbus has been to protect Catholic families.

St. Anthony Mary Claret Catholic Church & Koinonia Ministry cordially invite you to a

# **Lenten Silent Mini-Retreat**

"God dwells in the silence of the heart: God is the friend of silence." - Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Fri., Feb. 28, 5:30-9:30 p.m. & Sat., Feb. 29, 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. St. Anthony Catholic Church, 6150 Roft Rd., RE Bldg. Bilingual Contemplative Mass: Saturday @ 11a.m.

Registration: \$35; lunch: \$5 or donation; T-shirt: \$15 Pay by cash or check (payable to Koinonia Ministry)

For info, contact the parish office at 210-688-9033 or or Koinonia at 210-393-3493. Registration forms available in the narthex.

Limited spots available (50-English)

No childcare available



Saturday, March 14, 2020 ~ 2-4 pm. St. Anthony Mary Claret, Hubertus Hall ~ \$10 per person for doughters ages 10-14



mothersanddaughtersteaparty2020.eventbrite.com

St. Anthony Claret PantryActivity Report January 2020Other client assistance:\$ 5,044.65Utility assistance:\$ 4,688.97Restock food pantry:\$ 2,697.96Office expenses:\$ 491.25# Food bags distributed:262# People served:754# of home deliveries28

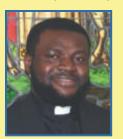
Thank you for helping us help others. Hours: Thursdays, 9 a.m.– 12 p.m. Contact us at (210) 474-6888 or sacpantry@outlook.co.



# **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:





#### Alexius Ohaeri

Luis Gomez

Gracious and loving God, help the men and women of our parish to hear the call to serve in the Archdiocese of San Antonio. Our needs are great and our people thirst for your presence.

Open the hearts of many, raise up faithful servants of the Gospel, dedicated, holy priests, sisters, brothers and deacons, who will spend themselves for your people and their needs.

Bless those who are serving now with courage and perseverance. Grant that many will be inspired by their example and faith.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The committee also commends to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: Daughters of Mary, Help of Christians (Salesians)

# **PARISH NEWS**

# **MEN'S** HOLY HOUR

Every Saturday, 6:30-7:30 a.m. in the church Join other men of faith for morning prayer, rosary and Benediction, followed by fellowship and breakfast tacos.

This is a great way to spend the days of Lent. Bring your rosary as well as a heart open to the Lord's presence and goodness.

# PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Mary Helen Peterson Jenna Ondrusek Maria Flores John Flores Mary Palomino Beatrice Cantu Marv Kolar Bill & Etta Tricksey Annette Whitney David Whitney George Guettler Paul Woodward Mark Finley Linda Izaguirre Harold Shields Javier Calderon Rav & Carolyn Cole George Aldaya

Sandy Salinas Ana Galinski Eloise Salazar Maria Morales Rosa Huerta **Richard Keller** Barbara Vanegas A.C. Garza Olga & Rudy Faz Rudy Navarro Bishop Yanta Nancy Souhrada **Bill Jennings** Dee Hancock Alyson Oviedo Fernando Mascorro Linda Santos Tom Calderon Jr. Jack & Jeanette Donohue

**IMPORTANT:** Due to space limitations, list is reserved for names of parishioners and their immediate family only. You may submit up to FOUR names at a time. Names usually run for four weeks.

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 16: Sir 15:15-20/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 Monday 17: Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13 Tuesday 18: Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21 Wednesday 19: Jas 1:19-27/Mk 8:22-26 Thursday 20: Jas 2:1-9/Mk 8:27-33 Friday 21: Jas 2:14-24, 26/Mk 8:34-9:1 Saturday 22: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19 Sunday 23: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48





PRAYER FOR **CIVIC LEADERS** In celebration of Feb. 17, Presidents' Day

God our Father, You guide everything in wisdom and love. Accept the prayers we offer for our nation.

In your goodness, watch over those in authority so that people everywhere may enjoy freedom, security and peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

> - from Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers



