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April 12, 2020

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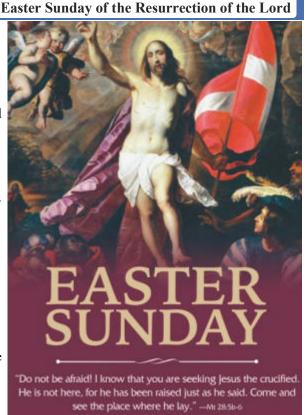
Parish Mission Statement

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: JN 20:1-9 or MT 28:1-10

When we awoke this morning, we found ourselves blessed with another day. It is Easter Sunday. As that thought crossed our minds, did we find ourselves saying "so what" or "alleluia"? For many, today is truly a day of alleluia. For others, it is just another day of "so what." Faith makes a huge difference. It not only makes a difference in how we understand today and the significance of what we celebrate, it also makes a huge difference in terms of how we understand ourselves

Succeed, live well, be productive, find your niche, follow your dreams, make money, protect your social status, be politically correct, and keep your preferences to yourself are pretty good examples of the messages our secular life wants us to hear. In and of themselves. they don't sound all that harmful. But when really examined, they are. The life of resurrection embodied in the Gospel tells us a much different story.



Life keeps us busy. We are always connected, distracted, occupied, and working. For many of us, an agenda awaits us before we even start our day, and unfinished stuff Cont'd on p. 2

Celebration of the Mass

See page 3 announcements for temporary changes

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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.

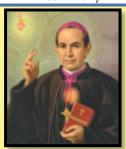
Baptism - Required Classes:

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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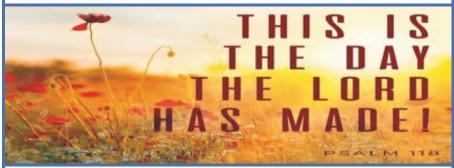
IN OUR PARISH



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



GOSPEL MEDITATION, Cont'd from page 1

is brought with us when we retire at night. Make the best of life and "find your own road to happiness are messages we all too easily believe. The "so what" response to the new life of resurrection is often the result of believing that life is only what I make it. What God has to say isn't important to me securing my next raise.

Sadly, we live as if the grave is the end. While we may give the wonder of heaven a blink now and then, its glory really doesn't impress us or matter all that much. It's all about the here and now and what I need to do today to get

where I want to be tomorrow. We tend to put off considering the one significant "tomorrow" that will come the millisecond after we take our last breath. When that happens, will we want to be thinking "so what?" or "alleluia"?

There is only one Jesus, one mission, and one resurrection. There is also only one of us. Have you ever pondered what one solitary, humble human life can do? Faith, not our world, tells us how special we are. We are not robots. We are not replaceable. We have one shot. There are no do-overs. Love is at our core and unites us together as one with the God of love who so desperately wants us to be with Him forever. This may not match our secular agenda, but it ought to make our true inner agenda leap for joy. There doesn't need to be an end. I can live forever. Alleluia! ©LPi

March 29 Collection Totals

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https://www.archsa.org/ covid-19#livestreams

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, Apr. 11

RCIA Candidates & Teachers

Sunday, Apr. 12

Jesus & Tila Vasquez† by daughter, Teresa Birthday Blessings for Ana Mata by Family **Moravits & Zaiontz Family Members**

by Family

Spiritual Healing & Strength for Current & Future Priests by a Mom Joebany Robledo† by Adrianna Salazar Fr. Brian Garcia & Fr. Tu Nguyen by Alice Lopez

Monday, Apr. 13 ***PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ***

Birthday Blessings for Liam Trevin & Julian Mendoza by Trevino Family For the Parish

Tuesday, Apr. 14

Birthday Blessings for Joel Belisario by Family

Wednesday, Apr. 15

Gloria Carazo† by Parishioner

Thursday, Apr. 16

Guadalupe Dominguez† by Delia Dominguez

Friday, Apr. 17

Birthday Blessings for Angel Rodriguez by Family

Saturday, Apr. 18

Joseph† & Ella Kopech†; Joseph L. Stein†; Robert† & Floranna Stein†; Richard Caldwell, Jr.† by Blanchard Family

Sunday, Apr. 19 *** DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY ***

John F. Matthews† by Dennis & Helen

Orozco Family

Alan J. Ponce†: Margaret† & Albert

Suarez† by Alma Ponce

Spiritual Healing & Strength for Humanity

by a Mom

Carlos Andres Tarin† by Adrian E. Brown

Jean Macecevic† by Bill Macecevic

PARISH NEWS

STRENGTHEN YOUR FAITH!

WATCH LIVESTREAMED EASTER MASS FROM HOME:

Easter Vigil: Holy Saturday, Apr. 11, 8:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday, Apr. 12: 11 a.m., 12 p.m. (Spanish) & 6 p.m.

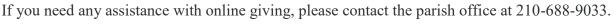


Your Generosity is Appreciated!

Our parish depends on the generous support from parishioners' and visitors' weekend offertory. We also know during this time finances can be tough, especially with the uncertainty of work as well as grocery and household expenses. If you can give, we would greatly appreciate it, but we understand if at this moment you cannot. Taking care of family is very important during this time. We will support you as best we can and continue to stream Masses and keep you informed of what is going on in the life of our parish. May God bless you and your families.

Ways to give:

- Online giving Go to http://samcsa.com/ and click on this image: -
- By mail 6150 Roft Road San Antonio, Texas 78253
- In person Drop off at the parish office.



Su Generosidad es Apreciada!

Nuestra parroquia depende del generoso apoyo de nuestros feligreses y del ofertorio de fin de semana de visitantes. También sabemos que durante este tiempo las finanzas pueden ser difíciles, especialmente con la incertidumbre del trabajo, así como los comestibles para el hogar y demás. Le pedimos que si puede donar, apreciaríamos enormemente sus generosas donaciones, pero entendemos si en este momento no puede hacerlo. Cuidar de la familia es muy importante durante este tiempo. Continuaremos apoyándolo lo mejor que podamos y continuaremos transmitiendo misas y lo mantendremos informado de lo que está sucediendo en la vida de nuestra parroquia. Que Dios los bendiga a ustedes y a sus familias.

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- en persona dejándolo en la oficina de la parroquia.

Si necesita ayuda con donaciones en línea, comuníquese con la oficina parroquial al 210-688-9033.



SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:

Public Parish Masses (livestream only—see above), Confessions, Holy Hours RCIA/RCIC classes

Religious education (now online: see p. 5)

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Youth group meetings

CANCELLED:

Gabriel Project Golf Tournament

POSTPONED:

Men's English ACTS Retreat — from Mar. 19-22 to May 7-10

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FAITH IN THE MIDST OF THE CORONA VIRUS

COME TO CHRIST

Life is perhaps God's greatest gift to each of us. Without life, we would be unable to experience all the wonder of this world, the love of family and friends, and the joy that comes from using our talents and skills. Life itself is more profound a gift than we can even truly contemplate.

On Easter, we celebrate life. For on this day, Jesus Christ conquered death and gave to us the chance for a life eternal. The wonder, love, and joy of this world does not have to end. Through a life in Jesus Christ, these emotions are heightened, and we find even greater fulfillment in this world.

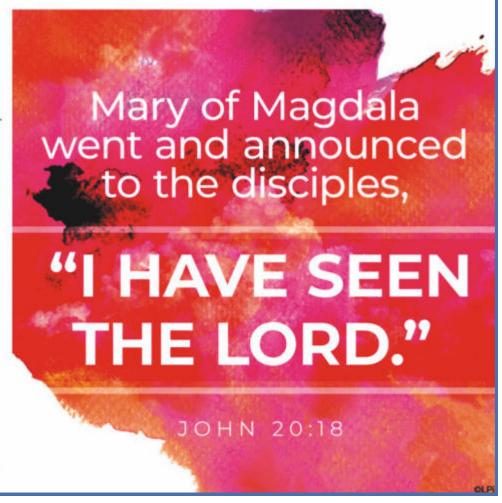
Maybe this Easter you are finding yourself open to taking a next step in your relationship with Jesus. This could be the moment you decide to follow Him more closely and take seriously all that he has given you. If so, welcome to the journey, where there are many other disciples on that same path who can help show you the way and share their stories. If not, hopefully it doesn't take a whole year for this possibility to be considered again. Jesus is alive and waiting to get closer to you. May this Easter season find you and Our Lord getting to know one another in a whole new way. Happy Easter!

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

IF I GO TO THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND END UP REPEATING THE SAME SINS, DOES THAT MEAN I DO NOT HAVE A STRONG ENOUGH INTENTION TO AMEND MY LIFE?

There is a popular expression that says, "Be patient. God isn't finished with me yet!" Growing in faith and holiness is an ongoing, life-long project, and our struggle with sin is at the heart of it. As St. Paul says, the good he intends to do, he does not do. The evil he does not intend, he does! It is not always a lack of intention, but more often the allure of evil that makes it difficult to change.

When we confess our sins, we are to come with a fully contrite heart. You need to reflect on your true feelings toward your actions before approaching the sacrament. After confession, there are strategies you can make to avoid falling into the same traps of sin. First, pray for and seek out strength and perseverance through multiple sacraments, charitable work, and personal sacrifice. Second, avoid occasions of sin when you might fail or be sorely tempted. In doing these things, remind yourself daily that it is a spiritual war we wage, and with God's grace, we will succeed.



PARISH NEWS



St. Anthony Claret Pantry
Activity Report
Mar. 2020

Restock food pantry: \$ 1,891.12
Utility assistance: \$ 1,542.63
Other client assistance: \$ 214.10
Office expenses: \$ 162.01
Food bags distributed: 243
People served: 858
of home deliveries: 34

Due to disruptions caused by panic and hoarding from COVID-19, we are unable to purchase food. Because of your generous donations, we have the funds. We buy food in bulk every week to keep 120 bags on hand. Limits on the number of items allowed for purchase severely disrupts our supply line. Therefore, we ceased operations on April 2. We will reopen when the virus crisis is over and our supply line is restored.

Thank you for helping us help others.

Financial Peace University (FPU) is coming to St. Anthony Claret!

Every Tuesday evening April 21-June 16 7-8:30 p.m., RE building

FPU is a way to get out of debt using Biblical wisdom and common sense. It is life-giving because YOU get to tell your money what to do. It is a way to walk a tough journey and be able to dream with support and with others like you.

Cost: \$95. Class size limited. For more info or to register, contact Michelle Barrentine at 210-688-9273 (voice only) or mitchtez@yahoo.com.



Free College \$\$\$ for High School Seniors!

Our parish's Knights of Columbus Council #10090, Men's Club and the Ladies of St. Anthony Claret will award a few scholarships to qualified parish high school seniors intent on pursuing higher education. Applications may be downloaded and printed from the parish website: http://samcsa.com/ or picked up in the narthex or parish office. The completed application packet must be MAILED IN to the parish office

and postmarked by Thursday, April 30, 2020.



THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

God was talking to one of his angels and said, "Do you know what I have just done? I've just created a 24-hour period of alternating light and darkness on Earth. Isn't that great?"

The angel said, "Yes. What will you do now?"

God said, "I think I'll call it a day."



Classes have moved online!

ONE HUNDRED DOMAR

If you did not receive an email with instructions about this, contact

Jennifer Rupert at reoffice@saclaret.com.



St. Anthony Mary Claret Marriage Ministry News

Our April 17 date night has been canceled. Check our Facebook page (*SAMC Ministry*) for activities. Page 6 April 12, 2020

FAITH & PRAYER

PRAY FOR THESE NEW PRIESTS !

Join the St. Anthony Mary Claret Vocations Committee this month as they pray for these men who were ordained last month and for an increase in vocations to religious life.









Fr. Matthew De Leon

Fr. Blayne Riley

Fr. Ricardo Ramirez

Fr. Ian Robbins

Lord Jesus Christ, eternal High Priest,
you offered yourself to the Father on the altar of
the cross and through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit
gave your priestly people a share in your
redeeming sacrifice. Hear our prayer for the sanctification
of our priests. Grant that all who are ordained to
the ministerial priesthood may be ever more
conformed to you, the Divine Master.
May they preach the Gospel with pure heart and
clear conscience. Let them be shepherds according to
your own heart, single-minded in service to you and
to the Church, and shining examples of a holy, simple,
and joyful life. Through the prayers of the
Blessed Virgin Mary, your Mother and ours,

to the Church, and shining examples of a holy, simple, and joyful life. Through the prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary, your Mother and ours, draw all priests and the flocks entrusted to their care to the fullness of eternal life where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(by Pope Benedict XVI)

The committee also commends to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life:

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 12: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4/Jn 20:1-9 Monday 13: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15 Tuesday 14: Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18 Wednesday 15: Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35 Thursday 16: Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48 Friday 17: Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14 Saturday 18: Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15 Sunday 19: Acts 2:42-47/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31



PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Janie Perez David Tobias, Jr. Mary Helen Peterson Stoltz Family Merwyn Catral Mary Flora Mark Finley Linda Izaguirre Harold Shields Javier Calderon Ray & Carolyn Cole George Aldaya Sandy Salinas Eloise Salazar Maria Morales Jack & Jeanette Donohue

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. Tracy Oviedo

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.

Break Open the Tomb

Lord of Easter's Promise, I live in faith of the Resurrection, but such is the nature of my faith that so much of me remains entombed. Break open the tomb.

Where I've buried my compassion, break open the tomb. Where I've buried my sense of mercy, break open the tomb. Where I've buried my humility, break open the tomb. Where I've buried my humanity, break open the tomb. Where I've buried my love for my Heavenly Father, break open the tomb. Where I've buried my sense of joy, break open the tomb. Where I've buried my willingness to forgive, break open the tomb.

Lord, in you I've found a Savior no grave can withstand. Help me to roll away this stone and find the miracle of new life. That I may live more fully in your saving grace. Amen



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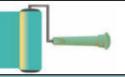
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