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Fifth Sunday of Easter

#### May 10, 2020

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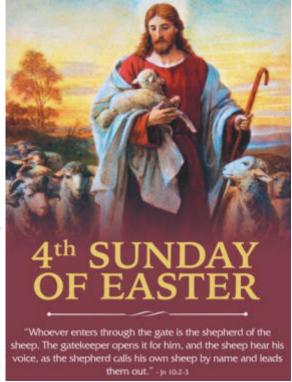
#### Parish Mission Statement

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 14:1-12

When earthly lives end, especially when the person is younger, we tend to focus upon and consider what was lost. We think of lost opportunities — things they won't be able to see, babies they won't be able to cradle, and adventures that now must go undiscovered. Our minds create this chasm between earth and heaven that sees the losses of this life as permanent ones, never possible to achieve again. This perception causes many folks to remain stuck in their grief as they ponder all of the missed opportunities and regrets.

This is not resurrection thinking. All of the love that we can give and receive. the joy and elation that can be experienced, the adventures that can be undertaken, and the possibilities to be discovered are all part of a continuous journey. They are not ends in and of themselves but are all part of the unfolding of a relationship we have with God, who not on-



ly makes all of these wonderful things possible now but sustains them and fulfills them into eternity. The perception and experience of loss is really an illusion, because in God's eternal kingdom and in God's time, nothing is ever lost. Even the most intimate and tender of man kingdom and in God's time, nothing is ever lost. 2.11 me in the moments we can conceive of sharing with another human being are only part of a journey (Cont'd on p. 2)

#### Celebration of the Mass

See announcement on page 4 for live streamed Monday: 8 a.m., 7:30 p.m. preceded by Holy H p.m.

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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

toward perfect intimate and tender moments to be shared with God in our resurrected life. We become like God and see God as He is in eternity. What greater joy, love, and hope can ever be discovered as we walk down our often dimly lit paths in this world.

This is an awesome wonder and magnificent news to behold. Call to mind someone you have lost in death. How do you see them now? How do you see yourself in heaven? Remind yourself, again, that God is the Way, the Truth and the Life. Our happiness is not going to be fully realized in this world, and there is nothing we can find here that cannot be found one hundred fold in eternity. It's all about relationship, and not solely about the relationships we have with each other, ourselves, and the world in which we live. It's about our relationship with God. If we realize how special that one relationship really is, then there is only one particular of heaven and life eternal that really matters: namely, that we fall into love eternal and discover truth. For when we finally close our eyes in death, then all will be well as long as we are with God. There are no losses, only gains. ©LPi

#### **April 26 Collection Totals\***

Regular Collection	\$ 16,194.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 4,119.00
SAMC Pantry	\$ 1,395.00
<b>Easter Collection</b>	\$ 920.00
Home Missions	\$ 645.00
<b>Church in the Holy Land</b>	\$ 90.00
Catholic Relief Svcs	\$ 10.00

Thank you for your continued generosity during these difficult times. See page 4 for ways to give.

\*Totals in last weekend's bulletin were from April 19, not April 12 as incorrectly indicated.



#### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

ON CTSA SPECTRUM CH. 15 AND FACEBOOK & YOUTUBE

FROM ST. JOSEPH'S CHAPEL: MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:30AM (LIVE) TUESDAY - FRIDAY 6:00PM (RE-BROADCAST) SATURDAY - 5:00PM

FROM SAN FERNANDO CATHEDRAL: SUNDAY 5:00PM (RE-BROADCAST) MONDAY 6:00PM (REBROADCAST)

For a more extensive list of parishes offering live streamed Masses visit: https://www.archsa.org/ covid-19#livestreams

#### MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, May 9

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

Sunday, May 10

Estela Astorga† by Family Francesco†, Maria†, Carmela†, Corrado†, Sebastiano†, & Giovanni† by Sal Spataro Virginia Nejeres† by Children Joebany Robledo† by Arianna Salazar **Birthday Blessings for Carley Macias** by Mary Macias

Monday, May 11

For the Parish Richard Lemas by Mary Macias Nat Gibbs† by Family

Tuesday, May 12

Birthday Blessings for Leslie Wessel by Bea Peterson **Birthday Blessings for Oscar Alvarez** by Bea Alvarez

Wednesday, May 13

Daniel R.† & Manuela M. Gonzales†; Tomasa N. Cabezuela†; Sr. Victoria Hernandez†; Souls in Purgatory† by F. Gonzales

Thursday, May 14

Birthday Blessings for Julian Belisario by Family

Friday, May 15

**Birthday Blessings for Jalen Smith** by Jeanette Erickson

Saturday, May 16

**Birthday Blessings for Jim Bendele** by Bea Peterson

by Alice Lopez

Sunday, May 17

Elvira Gonzales† by Joann Gonzales Alan J. Ponce†; Margaret† & Albert Suarez† by Alma Ponce All Moravits & Zaiontz Family Members† Carlos Angel† by Betty Forero & Family Birthday Blessings for Fr. Jan Klak

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#### FAITH IN THE MIDST OF THE CORONA VIRUS

#### A SPIRITUAL BOUQUET TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER

May has traditionally been observed as a month dedicated to Mary, Mother of God. It is also the month in which we celebrate our earthly mothers through the observance of Mother's Day. Mother's Day provides a beautiful opportunity to pray for all mothers, including those facing an unexpected pregnancy. However, it can be a difficult holiday for many, including those struggling with infertility, those who have lost children, and those who have lost their own mothers.

This activity seeks to lift up the many intentions laid on our hearts by the observance of Mother's Day and offer them to Our Blessed Mother, during the month honoring her. It also provides a way to give thanks for her maternal love and care for us. On the weekend of Mother's Day, family members are invited to write a prayer intention on a slip of paper and offer it, along with a flower or some other type of offering, if possible, to Our Lady. While there are many options for adapting or carrying out this activity, the purpose is to present a spiritual bouquet to Our Lady, by placing the intentions and flowers\* beneath a statue, icon, or image of the Blessed Mother.\*\*

When the activity is complete, you will have a spiritual and physical bouquet of prayer intentions and thanksgiving offered at the feet of Our Lady. This offering can remain for the next week or two and serve as a visual reminder of the powerful intercession and love of Mary, Our Mother.

While the following directions describe completing this activity within a family, this can be easily adapted for use in other circumstances.

#### **MATERIALS:**

- Flowers, greenery, or some other type of small gift like flowers or hearts cut out of colored construction paper\*
- Small note cards or slips of paper Pens, crayons, or markers
- Small basket or other container to hold the prayer intentions
- Vase of water (if using fresh flowers or greenery)
- Statue, icon, or image of the Blessed Virgin Mary\*\*
- Copies of the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Life (found at usccb.org; type "litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary in search bar)
- \*This can also be completed without flowers or any other type of gift. Simply place written intentions in a basket before the designated statue or image of Our Lady. Or, you could draw a flower or another image next to your prayer intention on the paper.

\*\*If you don't have any of these in your home, find an image online to display on a computer or other type of screen.

#### **DIRECTIONS**

- 1. Gather your materials. Look around your own yard for flowers or greenery that might be available.
- 2. Set up a small table for your Marian spiritual bouquet. Place on the table your statue or image of Our Lady with a small basket for prayer intentions and a vase with water or other receptacle for your little gifts. Have writing utensils and something to write on available nearby.
- 3. Pre-cut notecards or small slips of paper.
- 4. Invite household family members to participate in the spiritual bouquet. Participants can write down on the notecards or slips of paper what they would like to ask Our Blessed Mother to intercede for. They can then be invited to place their prayer intentions in the basket, as well as to place their flowers or other gifts in the vase or other receptacle in thanks for Our Lady's maternal love and care.
- 5. When all participants have presented their prayer intentions and gifts to Our Lady, offer a closing prayer of your choosing.
- 6. Encourage family members to pray throughout the week for all the intercessions placed under the care of Our Blessed Mother.

The purpose of this activity is to seek the intercession of Our Blessed Mother for all the intentions of our hearts, related to the observance of Mother's Day, as well as to thank her for her motherly love for us. Assess what works best for your circumstances and make adaptations or changes as needed!

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#### **PARISH NEWS**



# STRENGTHEN YOUR FAITH! WATCH LIVESTREAMED MASSES FROM HOME:

Livestream the St. Anthony Mary Claret Holy Mass Monday through Friday at 8 a.m. and Sundays at 11 a.m., 12 p.m. (Spanish) and 6 p.m. by going to the parish website at

www.samcsa.com

then click on this image: LIVE

After original broadcast, these Masses will remain on the parish's Facebook page to watch at any time.

## An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.





## 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.

If you need any assistance with online giving, please contact the parish office at 210-688-9033.



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.

#### Formas de dar:

- dando en línea ir a http://samcsa.com/ y haga clic en esta imagen:
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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.



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#### **PARISH NEWS**

Be sure to give us your new address! Call the parish office or email us at saclaret@saclaret.com.











# page (SAMC Ministry) for activities.

St. Anthony Mary

**Claret Marriage** 

**Ministry News** 

Our May 15 date night has been canceled. Check our Facebook

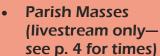
RE classes: now online!

If you did not receive an email with instructions about this, contact Jennifer Rupert at reoffice@saclaret.com.





#### SUSPENDED **NTIL FURTHER NOTICE:**



- Confessions
- **Holy Hours**
- Religious education classes (now online)
- Youth group meetings



St. Anthony Claret Pantry is once again...



Hours: Thursdays, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Contact us at (210) 474-6888 or sacpantry@outlook.co.

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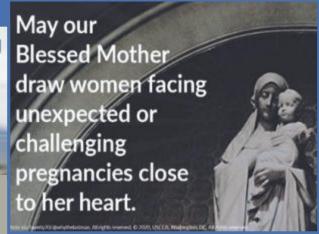
#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

# Natural Family Planning

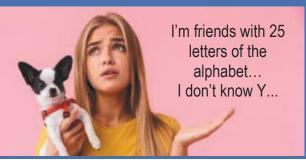
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#### THE SUNDAY FUNNIES



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#### **FAITH & PRAYER**

#### PRAY FOR THESE NEW PRIESTS!

Join the St. Anthony Mary Claret Vocations Committee this month as they pray for these men who are newly ordained 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

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, 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:

Society of Mary (Marianists)



The parish community extends its condolences to parishioner

Margaret Ranalli whose father,

Hank Radecki recently passed away.

Incline Your ear, O Lord, unto our prayers. We humbly pray You show Your mercy to the soul of Your servant Hank, whom You have commanded to

pass out of this world, that You would place him in the region of peace and light, and bid him be a partaker with Your Saints. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Kelton Sweet, Jr.
Christian Perez
Mark Finley
Harold Shields
Javier Calderon
George Aldaya
Sandy Salinas
Eloise Salazar
Maria Morales
Jack & Jeanette Donohue
Rosa Huerta
Richard Keller
Ray & Carolyn Cole

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.

#### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 10: Acts 6:1-7/Jn 14:1-12 Monday 11: Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26 Tuesday 12: Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a Wednesday 13: Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8 Thursday 14: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17 Friday 15: Acts 15:22-31/Jn 15:12-17 Saturday 16: Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21 Sunday 17: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21







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