

# St. Anthony Mary Claret

## Roman Catholic Church

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July 5, 2020

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION: MT 11:25-30

We are all familiar with the refrain, "You have put on Christ. In him you have been baptized. Alleluia, alleluia!" In Baptism, we "put on" Christ. In putting on Christ, we put on all that Christ is and represents: hope, faith, and love. We are no longer bound to the sins and failures of the flesh, that part of us that resists God and relies exclusively on human means. It also means that we are not in debt to our past, complete with its sins, failures, regrets, fears, and unfulfilled dreams. There is always hope. In putting on Christ, we put on God's vision for the world, for all of His children and for us. We have been given a road map to guide our paths and a blueprint to follow for our life's journey.

There is no need for regret, and we are not tethered to our past. Is there anything in your past that you regret? Any decision or memory that continues to haunt you? We have all made mistakes, and we have this uncanny ability to continue beating ourselves up over things we can no longer do anything about, except learn from them. To put on Christ means that I can now bring God's unconditional love to my hurtful memories and sinful choices. With each new moment and every new choice, I can start clean and live in freedom.

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## 14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." - Mt 11:28

### Celebration of the Mass

Monday: 8 a.m., 7:30 p.m. preceded by Holy Hour at 6:30 p.m.

First Monday of the month: 7:30 p.m. Healing Mass and administering of the Sacrament of the Sick

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)

See p. 5 for Mass attendance and Communion reception guidelines and newly revised Confession times. Mass capacity now 50%!

### Baptism - Required Classes:

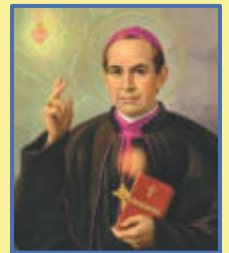
First Tuesday & Thursday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Call parish office to register.

Visitation of the Sick: Call parish office to schedule visit.

Funerals: Call parish office prior to making arrangements.

Marriage Prep: Call parish office 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.



## 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.

## 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*

Imagine adults when the disciples were preaching and baptizing. They came to baptism not really knowing who they were, with pasts that were broken, seeking to live the joy of the Gospel they heard spoken to them and wanting the love they saw witnessed in the lives of those who believed. What tremendous celebrations their baptisms must have been! They could now have the support of a community, full participation in the sacraments of the church, focus for their disordered lives, consolation, healing, and an understanding of what life is really all about.

Our lives are meant to be celebrations of the Spirit we have received in Baptism. How does that joy get expressed in and through you? When we truly understand that we have put on Christ, our burdens can become much lighter. It is odd that so many Christians look like they are carrying the weight of the world on their shoulders. Wouldn't it be wonderful if those weights could be lifted and joy experienced!

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**June 27/28 attendance and collection  
Totals unavailable at press time.**

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

**God, source of all freedom, this day is bright with the memory of those who declared that life and liberty are your gift to every human being. Help us to continue a good work begun long ago. Make our vision clear and our will strong: that only in human solidarity will we find liberty, and justice only in the honor that belongs to every life on earth. Turn our hearts toward the family of nations: to understand the ways of others, to offer friendship, and to find safety only in the common good of all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*July 4th*

INDEPENDENCE DAY

*From Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers, Revised Edition.*

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

**Saturday, July 4**

**8 A.M.** Birthday Blessings for Tom Shearer & Henry Bosco Wessel by Bea Peterson  
**5 P.M.** Birthday Blessings for Gabrielle Astorga by Family

**Sunday, July 5**

**8 A.M.** Anniversary Blessings for Miguel & Angelica Trevino; Birthday Blessings for Angelina Bernadette Trevino & Jesus Antonio Trevino by Trevino Family  
**10 A.M.** Janie Perez† by Rick & Sandy Salinas  
**12 P.M.** Spiritual Healing/Strength for Humanity; Souls in Purgatory† by a Mom  
**3 P.M.** For the Parish  
**6 P.M.** Birthday Blessings for Laurel Peterson by Bea Peterson

**Monday, July 6**

**8 A.M.** Special Intention: James & Henry Pawelek; Alois & Florence Olenick by Olenick Family  
**6:30 P.M.** Holy Hour  
**7:30 P.M.** For the Sick of the Parish

**Tuesday, July 7**

**8 A.M.** Birthday Blessings for Lorenzo Macias by Mary Macias

**Wednesday, July 8**

**8 A.M.** Birthday Blessings for Albert Alvarez by Bea Alvarez  
**Rudy† & Selia Garcia†; Manuel† & Concepcion Espinoza†** by Espinoza Family

**Thursday, July 9**

**8 A.M.** Virginia Ancharski† by Jeanette Erickson

**Friday, July 10**

**8 A.M.** Billie Sievers† by Charlie Sievers & Family

**Saturday, July 11**

**5 P.M.** Louis & Eloisa Peralta† by Irene Durand

**Sunday, July 12**

**8 A.M.** Tom† & Felicidad Calderon† by Mendoza Family  
**10 A.M.** Alan J. Ponce†; Margaret† & Albert Suarez† by Alma Ponce  
**12 P.M.** All Moravits & Zaiontz Family Members by Family  
**3 P.M.** Souls in Purgatory† by Mary Macias  
**6 P.M.** Jean Macecevic† by Bill Macecevic



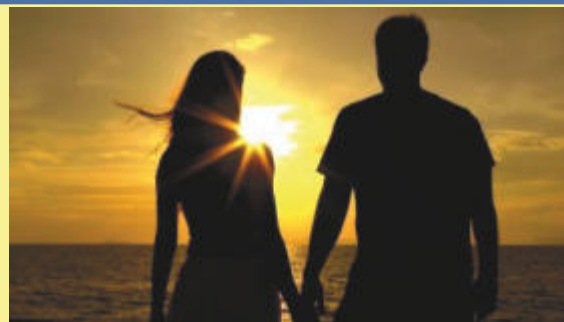
## LOVE &amp; MARRIAGE

## 7 Signs of a Functional Relationship— Part 1

(from CatholicMatch Institute)

During my year studying Interpersonal Communications, I was introduced to the work of one of the top researchers in marriage and relationship health, Dr. John M. Gottman. Throughout my post college years, I have kept up with his research. He is most famous for developing a formula that accurately predicts divorce after observing a couple interact with one another for only five minutes!

Here I will describe Dr. John Gottman's findings through his research on successful, happy couples, as written in his book, *The Science of Trust*.



### 1. Matches in Conflict Style

Most people fall into one of three conflict styles: validators, avoiders, and volatiles. If the ratio of positivity to negativity in conflicts was 5:1, the relationships were functional. However, mismatches in conflict style will increase risk of divorce. The mismatches usually mean one person wants the other to change, but that person is avoiding change. The researchers did not find any volatiles and avoiders matched. They speculate it's because they don't get past the courtship phase!

### 2. Dialogue With Perpetual Issues

Gottman discovered that only 31% of couples' disagreements were resolvable! This means the majority of conflicts were about perpetual problems, which was attributed to personality differences (even among similar temperaments). While active listening seems like a good idea in theory, it almost never is practiced or works in real life settings, because if there is any negativity at all, the listener finds that hard to ignore and will usually react to it.

One of the biggest indicators for a successful relationship is having a "soft" start-up. This usually puts the pressure on women, since we are the ones who bring up issues in the relationship 80% of the time. The positive responses in these conflicts were from couples in relationships who used the gentler start-up. So remember to keep your sense of humor, and be sensitive to your beloved! Dialogue is necessary to avoid "gridlock" in conflicts, and remember, God created us uniquely, so rejoice in that!

### 3. Present Issues as Situational Joint Problems

Instead of blaming your spouse for your feelings of irritability and disappointment in the relationship, express how you feel, but then identify your needs. Be gentle in this conversation. Focus on what he or she is doing right, and acknowledge that first. Remember, you're not perfect either, so don't expect gratitude for your complaints.

...to be continued...

*Article from ForYourMarriage.org and was originally published by CatholicMatch Institute which provides resources to help single Catholics develop a strong foundation for marriage through advocacy, programs, and scholarships. Used with permission.*

### Intercessions for Life

For our nation: may our laws protect the right to life of every human being, from conception to natural death; we pray to the Lord.

### Intercesiones por la Vida

Por nuestra nación: que nuestras leyes protejan el derecho a la vida de cada persona humana, desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural; roguemos al Señor.



### PARISH NEWS

**In Sympathy** ...The parish community mourns the loss of longtime parishioner, *Rudy Faz*, who recently passed away. We offer our deepest condolences to his family and in particular to his wife, *Olga*.

*Absolve, we beseech You, O Lord, the soul of Your servant Rudy from every bond of sin, that being raised in the glory of the resurrection, he may be refreshed among the saints and elect. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### Upcoming Confirmation Masses

Friday, July 10, 7 p.m.; Saturday, July 11, 12 p.m.  
Saturday, July 18, 11 a.m.; Friday, July 24, 7 p.m.



## THE ENDURING CALL TO LOVE

### Prophetic Witnesses Against Racism—Part 2

At times in its history, the Catholic Church in the United States has failed to denounce the evils of slavery, racism, and discrimination. But we have also been blessed with the courageous witness of many clerics, religious women and men and laypersons, who did respond prophetically by calling out sin and violent disregard for fellow human beings. Their lives remind everyone that we are all united in God's love and the life of Christ. Read about these four Catholics who worked to heal the evil of racism in their day. As you learn about their stories, reflect on how you can join this work of healing injustice in your community today.

#### Venerable Rev. August Tolton

Fr. Augustus Tolton is known as the first recognizably black Catholic priest in the U.S., (though the Healy brothers—three sons of an enslaved black woman and an Irish father, whose African heritage was less visibly apparent— had become priests before him). Fr. Tolton was born into slavery to Catholic parents whose owners allowed their slaves to be married in the Catholic Church. As a result, he was born and raised Catholic. Fr. Tolton became free when his mother escaped to the free state of Illinois when he was a boy. He was encouraged by his local priest to enter the priesthood, but had to study in Italy, since no American seminary would admit him due to his skin color. He was ordained in Rome on Easter Sunday at the Cathedral Archbasilica of St. John Lateran. As a priest, he ministered to the black Catholic community in Quincy, Illinois. Fr. Tolton led the development and construction of St. Monica's Catholic Church as a black 'National Parish Church,' completed in 1893. Tolton's success at ministering to black Catholics quickly earned him national attention within the Catholic hierarchy. "Good Father Gus," as he was called by many, was known for his eloquent sermons, his beautiful singing voice and his talent for playing the accordion. He was also known for generosity and piety, attracting both black and white Catholics to his parish. He inspired many of the affluent parishioners to support the parish's school and its mission to educate the community. Later chased out of Quincy, he was welcomed by the Archdiocese of Chicago, where he dedicated his ministry to serving impoverished communities. He died in 1897. Despite his experiences, Fr. Tolton remained steadfast: "The Catholic Church deplores a double slavery – that of the mind and that of the body. She endeavors to free us of both." He is the subject of the biography *From Slave to Priest: The Inspirational Story of Father Augustine Tolton (1854-1897)* by Sister Caroline Hemesath.



For more information on Fr. Tolton's cause, visit <https://tolton.archchicago.org/>

Check out this resource list:

<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/cultural-diversity/african-american/upload/Tolton-resource-sheet.pdf>

...to be continued...

For additional stories about Holy Men and Women struggling against racism, visit the website of the USCCB's Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church:

<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/cultural-diversity/african-american/resources/on-the-road-to-sainthood-leaders-of-african-descent.cfm>. Source: [usccb.com](http://www.usccb.org)

### PARISH NEWS

#### Your Generosity is Appreciated!

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- ♦ In person - During Mass or drop off at the parish office.



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- ♦ En persona: durante la misa o dejándolo en la oficina parroquia.

### THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

There was one little boy in the teacher's class really struggling to learn. One day the teacher asked him who signed the Declaration of Independence, and he didn't know. The teacher asked him every day for a week, but still he couldn't give the right answer. Finally, in desperation, she called the boy's father to come her. She said to him, "Your boy won't tell me who signed the Declaration of Independence." The father said to his son, "Come here, boy, and sit down." The boy did as he was told. His dad then said to him, "Now if you signed that stupid thing, just admit it so we can get out of here!"



## NEW MASS ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES\*

Archbishop Gustavo's dispensation of all Catholics from the obligation to participate in the Mass on Sundays and other holy days of obligation within the territory of the Archdiocese of San Antonio granted on March 13, 2020 remains in effect until repealed.

At-risk people and those who have symptoms of the common cold, flu, or Covid-19 are asked to stay home.

Live streaming of the Mass will continue at [www.samcsa.com](http://www.samcsa.com). Click on this image: 

After broadcast, Masses remain on the parish Facebook page to watch any time.

You can find the Act of Spiritual Communion prayer on page 6.

### Mass Participation

- Masks will be required for all persons, except children 10 years old and younger.
- No missalettes, song books, or prayer aids will be available.
- There will be no singing; only instrumental music during the Mass.
- There will be no exchange of peace by handshake or hug.

### Mass Attendance and Seating

- Attendance will be limited to **50%** of our normal capacity.
- Weekend Masses: Saturday — 5 p.m.; Sunday— 8 & 10 a.m., 12 p.m., 3 p.m. (Spanish) & 6 p.m.
- Mass will be held in the main sanctuary with overflow livestreamed in Msgr. Hubertus Hall. Sacramental Communion offered in both locations.
- Hospitality team members will seat you and you will need to sit at least six (6) feet apart. Family members may sit together without separation.
- Hospitality team members will also escort you from the church immediately after each Mass to allow time to sanitize the church prior to the next Mass.
- Follow the directions of our hospitality team members.
- Daily Mass will follow same guidelines for attendance, masks and social distancing.

### Communion

- Remove gloves BEFORE receiving Holy Communion.
- The Sacred Body of Christ will be distributed in the hand only, not on the tongue.
- Before reception of Holy Communion, lower your mask, allow the Eucharistic minister to place the Body of Christ in your hand, consume it, re-mask, and return to your seat.
- The Precious Blood of Christ will not be distributed.

### Other Information and Guidelines

- The church will not open more than 20 minutes before Mass.
- All Masses will continue to be streamed online.
- A hospitality team member will bring the offertory basket to you. Drop your donation in.
- Only the main doors of the church will be open. Hospitality team members will escort you from there into church and from the sanctuary to the exit.

### Sacraments & Special Liturgies

- Baptisms, weddings, quinceañeras, and funerals may be scheduled. For info, visit [www.samcsa.com](http://www.samcsa.com) or call the parish office at 210-688-9033.
- Confession is offered only Wednesday and Thursday evenings, 5-7 p.m.

### Misc.

- The parish office, Saint Anthony Claret Pantry & Gabriel Project are open.
- Pastoral counseling is available.
- No parish organizations will be meeting at this time.

*\* Subject to change without notice as required by government and public health officials or Archbishop Gustavo. Refer to our website [www.samcsa.com](http://www.samcsa.com) for the most current information. We request your patience and understanding as we adapt in the coming weeks and months.*





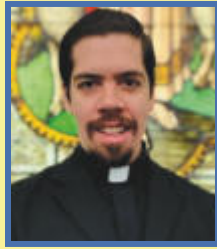
## FAITH &amp; PRAYER

## PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

We invite you and your family to pray for local seminarians and for an increase in vocations to religious life. These seminarians will be the recipients of your prayers this month.



David Chacko



Bernardo Castañeda

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that You inspire young people whom You call to the priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will. Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The committee also commends to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life:  
**Order of Friars Minor (Franciscans)**

## PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Abigail Macias  
 Mary Helen Peterson  
 Christian Perez  
 Kelton Sweet, Jr.  
 Joanna Sweet  
 Mark Finley  
 Harold Shields  
 Javier Calderon  
 George Aldaya  
 Sandy Salinas  
 Eloise Salazar  
 Maria Morales  
 Richard Keller  
 Rosa Huerta  
 Barbara Vanegas

Jack & Jeanette Donohue  
 Ray & Carolyn Cole  
 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 5: Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30  
 Monday 6: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Mt 9:18-26  
 Tuesday 7: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Mt 9:32-38  
 Wednesday 8: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Mt 10:1-7  
 Thursday 9: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Mt 10:7-15  
 Friday 10: Hos 14:2-10/Mt 10:16-23  
 Saturday 11: Is 6:1-8/Mt 10:24-33  
 Sunday 12: Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23

## 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.

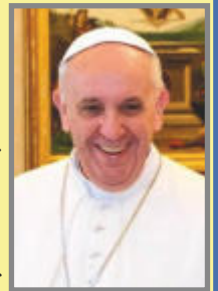
## Acto de Comunión Espiritual

Mi amado Jesús, creo que Tú estás presente en el Santísimo Sacramento. Te amo sobre todas las cosas, y deseo recibirte en mi alma. Ya que no puedo, en este momento, recibirte sacramentalmente, ven, al menos, espiritualmente a mi corazón. Te abrazo como si Tú estuvieras ya ahí y me uno a mí mismo completamente a Ti. Nunca me permitas estar separado de Ti. Amén.

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention-July

**Our Families:** We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

*O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer You my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world. I offer them for all the intentions of Your Sacred Heart: the salvation of souls, reparation for sin, and the reunion of all Christians. I offer them for the intentions of our bishops and in particular for those recommended by our Holy Father this month. Amen.*



## Intención del Santo Padre Francisco-July

Nuestras familias: Recemos para que las familias actuales sean acompañadas con amor, respeto y consejo.

*Dios, Padre nuestro, yo te ofrezco toda mi jornada, mis oraciones, pensamientos, afectos y deseos, palabras, obras, alegrías y sufrimientos en unión con el Corazón de tu Hijo Jesucristo que sigue ofreciéndose a Ti en la Eucaristía para la salvación del mundo. Que el Espíritu Santo, que guió a Jesús, sea mi guía y mi fuerza en este día para que pueda ser testigo de tu amor. Con María, la madre del Señor y de la Iglesia, pido especialmente por las intenciones del Papa y de nuestros obispos para este mes. Amen.*



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