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October 4, 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 21:33-43

Do you ever wonder why things never seem to come together? We see glimpses of consistency, equity, justice, peace, harmony, and wellbeing, but it always falls short. Human life is still expendable and manipulated, people are used for personal advancement, countries are at war, the economy continues to face turbulence, anger and frustration are widespread, and happiness is the possession of just a few and not the many. Could it be that we are serving the wrong kingdom? We keep trying to make our kingdom work and find ourselves still scratching our heads after repeatedly failed attempts to do so. It is almost as if people are saying, "we'll get it right this time if we do ...," as if some new and secret innovation has yet to be tried.

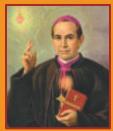
We serve God's kingdom. We may not like hearing that, but it is true. God did not make only a few of us. God made all of humanity and all of humanity is called into service.

How often do we defer any of our decision making to God? Secular leaders enjoy winking at the Sacred Scriptures and using them when they advance a cause, but are they really listened to? Even those who consider themselves believers tend to sift through God's Word, taking what seems to fit and apply and discarding the rest. After all, if we were really serving God's kingdom, we would see an abundance of fruit testifying to this fact. But what's growing on the vine is anything other than good Gospel-centered fruit.

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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)



Confession times: Wednesday and Thursday evenings only, 5-7 p.m.

Baptism - Required Classes:

First Tuesday 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.



Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

27th SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures

has become the cornerstone ...?'

- Mt 21:42ab

The stone that the builders rejected

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IN OUR PARISH

Attendance

Regular Collection

Church in the Holy Land

Debt Reduction

Gabriel Project

Capital Campaign

SAMC Pantry

Candles



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



tonces lesús les dilo: "¿No han leído nunca en la Escritura: La piedra que desecharon los constructores, es ahora la piedra angular'? - Mt 21, 42

GOSPEL MEDITATION, Cont'd from page 1

Nothing in this world or the next belongs to us. We have such a hard time believing this and live our lives as if everything belongs to us. And, the fruit does not lie. Trees that are neglected and not properly fertilized reveal that fact. They cannot keep these deep secrets from being discovered. If God's kingdom was really being served, then life would have looked much differently after the crucifixion. By now, there would be plenty of fantastic fruit to harvest in abundance: faith, hope, love, prudence, temperance, justice, and fortitude. Do we see these in abundance around us? Why not?

Sept. 26/27 attendance & collection totals

Thank you for your generosity. See page 4 for ways to give.

Still we grapple with ownership, privilege, status, and the protection of our rights. It's all about us and what we want, think we need, and expect to acquire. When did this change of focus occur? We may be struggling with this since humanity's day in the garden and have never understood that the focus cannot be on us and the apple but on God and God's justice. Maybe the only answer is that the Kingdom be taken from us and given to someone who is willing to do a better job. Is that the fate we really want? ©LPi

MONTH OF THE ROSARY

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

OCTOBER:

Saturday, Oct. 3		Wednesday, Oct. 7	
8 A.M.	Birthday Blessings for Dolores N. Reyes by Gonzales Family	8 A.M.	Spiritual Healing & Strength for Humanity; Souls in Purgatory† by M. Gonzales
5 P.M.	Billie Sievers [†] by Charlie Sievers & Family Michael Lee Rendon by Alice Russell		Special Intention: Reconciliation for Sara & Samantha Craft by Delia Dominguez
Sunday, Oct. 4		Thursday, Oct	. 8
8 A.M.	Birthday Blessings for Andy McDonald by Mary Macias	8 A.M.	Special Intention for Ed, Mike, Robert, Fr. John, Tom, Paul & Donald Ancharski
10 A.M.	Birthday Blessings for Lorenzo Macias by Mary Macias		by Jeanette Erickson
12 P.M.	43rd Anniversary Blessings for Mario & Alicia Garces by Family	Friday, Oct. 9 8 A.M.	Birthday Blessings for Shirley Gibbs
3 P.M.	For the Parish		by Family
6 P.M.	Justin Acap† by his mother	Saturday, Oct. 10	
Monday, Oct. 5		5 P.M.	Billie Sievers [†] by Charlie Sievers & Family
8 A.M.	Birthday Blessings for Christopher Gonzales by Gonzales Family		Rudy Faz [†] by Rick & Sandy Salinas
6:30 P.M.	Holy Hour	Sunday, Oct. 11	
7:30 P.M.	For the Sick of the Parish	8 A.M.	Juan Hernandez [†] by Shirley Hernandez Charles Kozar [†] by Dcn. Jerry & Pat Kozar
Tuesday, Oct. 6		10 A.M.	Alan J. Ponce [†] ; Margaret [†] & Albert
8 A.M.	Special Intention: James & Henry		Suarez [†] by Alma Ponce
	Pawelek; Alois & Florence Olenick by Olenick Family	12 P.M.	Debra Saenz† & Robert Reynolds† by Lydia Reynolds & Family
		3 P.M.	Joebany Robledo† by Arianna Salazar
		6 P.M.	Ramon Garcia† by Espinoza Family



Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

NOVENA TO THE MOTHER OF GOD FOR THE NATION

On Sept. 29 a novena began to help prepare participants for the Feast of the Holy Rosary on October 7. The proximity of the novena to the 2020 Presidential Election offers an opportunity to pray for all our government officials and seek Divine Assistance in the elections. The Novena will fulfill the mandate of St. Paul as stated in his First Letter to Timothy:

> *First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all*

LIFE CHAIN

SA 2020

men, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, godly and respectful in every way. This is good, and it is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth (1 Tim 2:1-4).

It's not too late to join the novena or start a new one. For a free eBook, *Novena to the Mother of God* for the Nation, visit www.ewtn.com/tv/shows/novena-to-the-mother-of-god-for-the-nation.

RESPECT LIFE

Intercessions for Life/Palabras de Vida

For all Catholics: that on this Respect Life Sunday our resolve may be strengthened to uphold the dignity of every human life. We pray to the Lord.

Por todos los católicos: que en este Domingo Respetemos la Vida nuestra determinación se fortalezca para respetar la dignidad de toda vida humana. Roguemos al Señor.

San Antonio's 33rd Annual Life Chain Sunday, Oct. 4, 12:30 - 3 p.m.

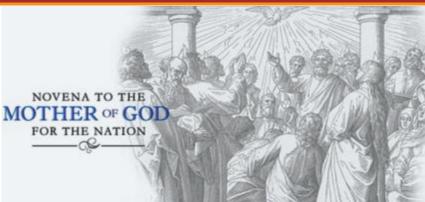
SCHEDULE 11:30 a.m.: pick up signs in old Sears parking lot behind Longhorn & Shake Shack 12 p.m.; live band/music 12:30 - 1 p.m.: March for Life 1:15 - 1:45 p.m.: opening ceremonies (San Pedro Ave, grassy knoll, just inside 410 on San Pedro) 2 - 3 p.m.: LIFE CHAIN

Parish contact: Kellie Gretschel; call/text 210-264-5473

THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

The Wednesday-night church service coincided with the last day of hunting season. The pastor asked who had bagged a deer. No one raised a hand. Puzzled, the pastor said, "I don't get it. Last Sunday many of you said you were missing because of hunting season. I had the whole congregation pray for your deer." One hunter groaned, "Well, it worked. They're all safe."





PARISH NEWS

RCIA now offered year-round! Join anytime!

In-person meetings on Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall Also available online via Zoom. For info or to register, contact Jennifer Rupert or Peggy Flores at 210-688-9033, x204 or x214.

Baptism Classes

Rite of Christian initiation for

First Tuesday of the month Next class: Tuesday, Oct. 6, 7:30 p.m. RE Bldg.* *Please note new location.



Your Generosity is Appreciated!

- Online giving: http://samcsa.com/ For help: 210-688-9033.
- Mail: 6150 Roft Rd., San Antonio, TX 78253
 - During Mass or drop off at parish office



WARNING: Some parishioners have received emails requesting help or donations and falsely claiming to be from Fr. Jan.

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- Dando en línea: http://samcsa.com/ Para ayuda: 210-688-9033.
- Correo: 6150 Roft Road San Antonio, TX 78253
- Durante misa o dejándolo en la oficina parroquia

Mass Attendance Guidelines*

Archbishop Gustavo's dispensation of Catholics from the obligation to participate in Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation Masses within the Archdiocese of San Antonio granted on March 13, 2020 is in effect until repealed. At-risk people or those with symptoms of the common cold, flu or Covid-19 should stay home.

Mass Participation, attendance & seating

- Masks will be required for all persons over age 10.
- There will be no exchange of peace by handshake or hug.
- Attendance will be limited to 50% of our normal capacity.
- Mass will be held in the main sanctuary. Overflow livestreamed in Msgr. Hubertus Hall.
- Hospitality ministers will seat you at least 6 feet apart from others. Families may sit together.
- Hospitality ministers will escort you from church immediately after Mass.

Communion

- The Sacred Body of Christ will be distributed in the hand only.
- After the Eucharistic Minister has placed the Sacred Body of Christ in your hand, lower your mask and consume the Body of Christ, re-mask and return to your seat.
- The Precious Blood of Christ will not be distributed.

Subject to change without notice. Visit the parish website at http://samcsa.com/ for a more detailed list.



COMMUNITY NEWS Public Square Rosary Crusade

Sponsored by America Needs Fatima

Saturday, Oct. 10, 12 - 1 p.m.; Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, 5722 Blanco Rd. Join others in devotion to our Blessed Mother to pray for peace across America. You can bring a chair and a face mask. Social distancing will be observed. For info, call or text Ramona Aldana at 210-365-8177.



CATHOLIC CINEMA

LOVE AND MERCY FAUSTINA IN SELECT MOVIE THEATRES IN USA OCTOBER 5 ONLY

In 1931, Jesus appeared to Faustina Kowalska as the King of Mercy. Clothed in a white robe and emanating two large rays from his side, one white and one red, He asked Faustina to paint this image of Himself along with the phrase, "Jesus, I trust in You" and to spread the message of mercy around the world. He promised that anyone who venerated this image would not perish. The gripping new docudrama LOVE AND MERCY presents unknown facts and recently disclosed documents that shed new light on the vision of Faustina. Aided by scientific analysis, the film reveals how the Divine Mercy image and the Shroud of Turin were compared to one another to stunning conclusions.

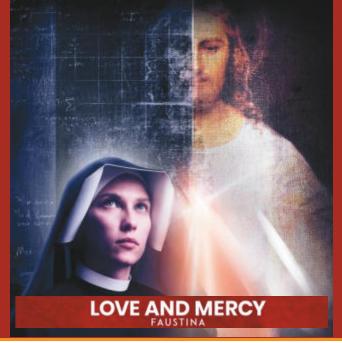
Dramatically recreated scenes between Saint Faustina and her confessor Father Michał Sopoćko traces the story of the origins of the image and how the devotion to Divine Mercy was born and spread throughout the world despite a ban of the devotion by the Catholic Church. Shot in the U.S., Poland and Lithuania, the film is a compelling hybrid of dramatization and documentary-style storytelling that will leave viewers in awe of this spectacular account of divine friendship. The docudrama was written and directed by Michal Kondrat, a Polish filmmaker who experienced his own personal encounter with the Divine Mercy in his life.

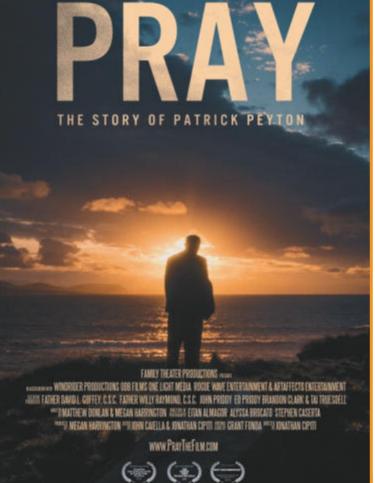
Now this incredible true story will be told in movie theaters across the country on **October 5.** To buy tickets, visit **loveandmercymovie.com** and click on "buy ticket."

Coming to these San Antonio theaters:

- Regal Cielo Vista 18, 2828 Cinema Ridge
- Cinemark San Antonio 16, 5063 Loop 410 NW
- Regal Huebner Oaks Stadium 14, 11075 IH 10 West

Learn more at loveandmercymovie.com





PRAY: THE STORY OF PATRICK PEYTON

a new film in select theaters nationwide Oct. 9

This is the inspiring true story of a poor uneducated Irish immigrant who sets sail for America in 1928 with dreams of becoming a millionaire

dreams of becoming a millionaire. That plan was derailed when, through Our Lady's intercession, he narrowly avoided death. He became a priest on a mission to promote the Rosary and all family prayer, whether through mass media in Hollywood or with huge Rosary rallies around the world. He spent his life championing the message, **"The family that prays together stays together."** His is the story of a tireless missionary, an unlikely hero, and one of history's greatest advocates for family prayer. This film will amaze and inspire you! For ticket info, visit PrayTheFilm.com. Join the exciting new prayer movement at PrayTogetherNow.com See it at the Santikos Palladium IMAX,

17703 W Interstate 10.

The family that prays together stays together.



FAITH & 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.



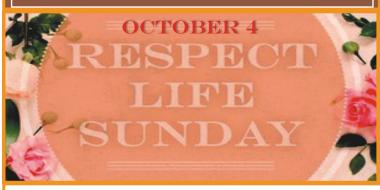


Paul Melgarejo

Diego Castellanos

Loving God, your Son, Jesus, has shown us that an open heart finds the way. Help me to find my way in this world. Keep my heart open to following Jesus' way of serving others in love. Give me the courage to accept the guidance you offer me through my family, my friends, and my parish community. Through the Holy Spirit, you call me to a particular way of

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



PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Deborah Cantu Jenna Ondrusek Landon Ondrusek Margaret M. Lucido Diego Garduno Mary Helen Peterson Michelle Reynolds Karina Hernandez Kelton Sweet, Jr. Joanna Sweet Mark Finley Harold Shields Javier Calderon George Aldava Sandy Salinas Eloise Salazar Maria Morales

Richard Keller Rosa Huerta Barbara Vanegas Jack & Jeanette Donohue Ray & Carolyn Cole A.C. Garza Olga Faz Rudy Navarro **Bishop Yanta** Nancy Souhrada Bill Jennings Dee Hancock **Alvson 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 4: Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43 Monday 5: Gal 1:6-12/Lk 10:25-37 Tuesday 6: Gal 1:13-24/Lk 10:38-42 Wednesday 7: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Lk 11:1-4 Thursday 8: Gal 3:1-5/Lk 11:5-13 Friday 9: Gal 3:7-14/Lk 11:15-26 Saturday 10: Gal 3:22-29/Lk 11:27-28 Sunday 11: Is 25:6-10a/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14

Pope Francis' Prayer

Intention - October

The Laity's Mission in the Church: We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity,

especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church. 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 - Octubre

La misión de los laicos en la Iglesia:

Recemos para que en virtud del bautismo los fieles laicos, en especial las mujeres, participen más en las instancias de responsabilidad de la Iglesia.

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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