# St. Anthony Mary Claret

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**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

#### September 13, 2020

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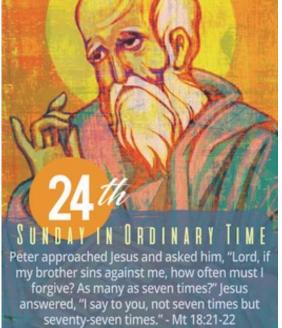
### Parish Mission Statement

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 18: 21-35

What right do we have to limit the amount and degree of forgiveness we show to others when we are so desperately in need of it ourselves? In not wanting someone who hurt us to downplay or forget the gravity of their wrong, we cling to anger, resentment, and wrath as a way of maintaining control. It is a way to acknowledge and express our deep hurt. We fail to realize that in doing so we hold ourselves hostage to these destructive feelings and actually become mired in the bondage of sin. All we gain is further alienation from ourselves, others, and especially God. We are no longer free but tethered to all of this unresolved negativity. Don't we really want to let it go? The fact is that we need to.

A good self-reflective posture will quickly show us that when the shoe is on the other foot and we are the ones in need of forgiveness, we desire it above anything else. This is especially true with our relationship with God. It is hypocritical to want

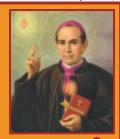


one thing for ourselves and something else for another. Yet, many act in precisely this way.

Perhaps we think that in offering forgiveness, even for the most grievous of wrongs, somehow excuses the person of their wrong and makes it almost acceptable. This is what makes (Cont'd on p. 2)

### **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.



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

revenge, retaliation, and punishment so attractive. We see forgiveness as being an eraser that easily wipes away the offense without consequence. Or, we may believe that in offering forgiveness I must somehow forget the wrong and open myself as a victim of even greater possible hurts in the future. In fact, forgiving my sister or brother of their wrongful actions or attitudes involves none of this. It does not erase anything or position me vulnerably as a doormat to be walked on.

Forgiveness is an act of freedom that restores honest dialogue, shares true, and heartfelt feelings and acknowledges the consequences of an action. It admits that the wrong has caused a hurt that must be healed and squarely positions responsibility on the offender. The act of forgiveness recognizes our sinfulness and brokenness. It also admits that the most saintly among us is capable of doing very grave and deep harm to another person. It sees that we all can be victims of our passions and works in progress that deserve unlimited chances to get it right. With forgiveness, I release myself from the bonds of negativity and pursue a path of restoration, wholeness, and healing. I do not forget the wrong nor do I dismiss it. Sometimes, we have to stay far away from the one who hurt us. But we can still heal internally and be free.

For the one who wants to be forgiven and the one who needs to offer forgiveness, the journey can be an adventure in learning what brought us to this place and what is needed to move forward. This is exactly how God treats us. Why would we not want to do the same for others? ©LPi

### MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

### Saturday, Sept. 12

Satur day, Sep	<i>A</i> , 1 <i>2</i>
5 P.M.	Billie Sievers† by Charlies Sievers & Family Rudy† & Selia Garcia†; Manuel† & Concepcion Espinoza† by Espinoza Family
Sunday, Sept.	. 13
8 A.M.	Cristalina Fernandes <sup>†</sup> by Jeremias &
	Clarissa Fernandes
10 A.M.	Francesco†, Maria†, Carmela†, Corrado†,
	Sebastiano <sup>†</sup> , & Giovanni <sup>†</sup> by Sal Spataro
12 P.M.	All Moravits & Zaiontz Family Members
	by Family
3 P.M.	Protection for Alexander Christopher
	Suttles by Family
6 P.M.	Josephine Elms† by Marianne & Michael
	Hale
Monday, Sept	t. 14
8 A.M.	Elvira Gonzales <sup>†</sup> by Joann Gonzales
6:30 P.M.	Holy Hour
7:30 P.M.	For the Parish
Tuesday, Sep	t. 15
8 A.M.	Spiritual Healing & Strength for Humanity;
	Souls in Purgatory <sup>†</sup> by M. Gonzales
	Mental Health for Lauren Dominguez
	by Delia Dominguez

#### Sept. 5/6 attendance & collection totals

Attendance	1,100
Regular Collection	\$ 21,186.95
Debt Reduction	\$ 4,916.00
SAMC Pantry	\$ 1,565.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 120.00
Candles	\$ 103.70
Gabriel Project	\$ 50.00

Thank you for your generosity. See page 3 for ways to give.

> "Si mi hermano me ofende, ¿cuántas veces tengo que perdonarlo? ¿Hasta siete veces?" Jesús le contestó: "No sólo hasta siete, sino hasta setenta veces siete".

> > MATEO 18, 21-22

Wednesday, Sept. 168 A.M.Birthday Blessings for Jose Luis Rodriguez<br/>by FamilyThursday, Sept. 178 A.M.Birthday Blessings for Margaret Sanders

by Jackson Family Friday, Sept. 18 8 A.M. Birthday Blessings for Jomer Belisario by Family

Saturday, Sept. 19 5 P.M. Joseph† & Ella Kopech†; Joseph L. Stein†; Robert† & Floranna Stein†; Richard Caldwell, Jr.† by Blanchard Family

Sunday, Sept	. 20
8 A.M.	Juan Hernandez <sup>†</sup> by Shirley Hernandez
	Charles Kozar† by Dcn. Jerry & Pat Kozar
10 A.M.	Alan J. Ponce†; Margaret† & Albert
	Suarez† by Alma Ponce
12 P.M.	In Thanksgiving: Darrelyn Kundinger
	by Kundinger Family
3 P.M.	Joebany Robledo† by Arianna Salazar
6 P.M.	Billie Sievers <sup>†</sup> by Charlies Sievers & Family
	Souls in Purgatory <sup>†</sup> by Delia Dominguez

# PARISH NEWS

Planning a wedding or quinceañera at our parish? ¿Estás planeando una boda o quinceañera en nuestra parroquia?



Weddings/Bodas:

MANDATORY Marriage Orientation Thursday, Sept. 17, 7 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall.

Orientación Matrimonial OBLIGATORIA El jueves 17 de septiembre, 7 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall.

Quinceañeras:

MANDATORY Quinceañera Orientation for Parents & Daughters Thursday, Sept. 24, 7 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Orientación de quinceañera OBLIGATORIA para padres y niñas El jueves 24 de septiembre, 7 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall.

Call the parish office to register: 210-688-9033. Llamar a la oficina parroquial para registrarse: 210-688-9033.

### Your Generosity is Appreciated!

For assistance with online giving: 210-688-9033.

- Online giving: go to http://samcsa.com/
- Mail: 6150 Roft Rd., San Antonio, TX 78253
- During Mass or drop off at parish office



### Su Generosidad es Apreciada!

- Para ayuda con donaciones en línea: 210-688-9033.
- Dando en línea: ir a http://samcsa.com/
- 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.

# **RESPECT LIFE**

# 40 Days for Life Kickoff Rally

Saturday, Sept. 19, 1-2 p.m., 2202 Babcock Rd. Sign up at 40daysforlife.com/sanantonio COVID-19 Precautions: mask required Live music by Faith Rendered Personal testimony by Amber Delaney Campaign info, goodie bags, t-shirts, prizes, pizza & cookies!





#### **September 13, 2020**

### **PARISH NEWS**



### **Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**PARISH NEWS** 

# A wonderful opportunity for young Catholics in 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade to write about their faith!

**TOPIC:** In an essay of 500-750 words, discuss how trusting in God during a difficult time has helped you or someone you know find the strength and hope to endure it. Consider especially those times when it was a challenge to understand why something was happening. Consider also sharing any lessons about faith and hope you or someone you know may have learned from this experience.

**ELIGIBILITY** 

THOLIC CITIZENSH

Essay Contest

- Contestants must complete the "Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest Entry Form" (obtain from the parish office).
- Turn in to office no later than Oct 2.Contestants compete in their correspond-

ing grade: 8<sup>th</sup> grade 9<sup>th</sup> grade 10<sup>th</sup> grade 11<sup>th</sup> grade 12<sup>th</sup> grade

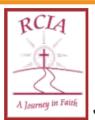
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# RULES

- Must reflect the assigned theme and be the student's original work.
- Must be typed and be between 500 and 750 words in length.
- No name on essay. (It will be stapled to Contest Entry Form).

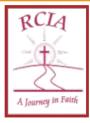
Recognition of winners will occur at these levels: parish, district (4 parishes), chapter (San Antonio diocese) and state (16 Texas dioceses). Winners will be notified by Oct. 7 and will receive a certificate and publication of essay.

All entries become property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council. Questions? Email: Council10090@gmail.com.



# RCIA now offered year-round! Join anytime!

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





## St. Anthony Mary Claret Magnificat Group Subscription

Magnificat is a monthly liturgical prayer magazine that can be used to follow the daily Mass and also be read at home. In the past, our parish's group order was organized by parishioner Tracey Kollmansberger, but she will be taking a break from doing so this year. Therefore, to subscribe you will need contact Magnificat directly to place your order.

Annual subscription - English: \$47/yr., normal-sized print (\$3.92/mo.) \$64.95/y., large-sized print (\$5.41/mo.) https://bookstore.magnificat.net/subscription/adult Annual subscription - Spanish: \$39.95/yr., normal-sized print (\$3.33/mo.) <u>https://tiendalatina.magnificat.net/suscripcion/index</u>

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Marriage Ministry Zoom Meeting: Q&A with Father Brian Garcia

Friday, Sept. 18, 7 p.m. Email your questions to <u>liz.straq@yahoo.com</u> by Tuesday, Sept. 15. Visit the St. Anthony Mary Claret Marriage Ministry Facebook page for the Zoom link. Questions? Contact Roland and Sonia Garcia at (210) 391-1728 or marriageministrysamc@gmail.com.



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# **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.





Ottmar Tovar (from our own parish!)

Luis De La Cruz

Lord Jesus, Good Shepherd, may young people in our parish hear your call and follow your voice as they discern their vocations. Lead your people to heaven through the ministry of holy priests and consecrated men and women. Jesus, we trust in you! Amen.

The committee also commends to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: *Society of Jesus (Jesuits)* 



Answering God's Call St. Anthony Mary Claret parishioner David McNeely has begun his formation as a new seminarian at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri. David has

great love for our parish community which has aided in his discernment process over the past six years. He is studying for the diocese of Tyler, Texas, under Bishop Strickland. This is the diocese where he spent the majority of

his youth. David keeps our parish community in his prayers.

### Prayer for the St. Anthony Claret Seminarians

(both pictured on this page) God our Father, thank you for calling parishioners **David McNeely** and **Ottmar Tovar** to prepare for the priesthood. Grant them the grace to grow closer to you through daily prayer. Help them form their personalities as credible witnesses to others. Bless them while they study Your word and the teachings of the Church and give them generous hearts to serve Your people. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our great High Priest. Amen.

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

Margaret M. Lucido Arturo Hernandez-Perez, Jr. Christian Perez Diego Garduno Mary Helen Peterson Michelle Reynolds Karina Hernandez 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 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 <u>names of parishioners and their immediate family only</u>. You may submit up to FOUR names at a time. Names usually run for four weeks.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS Sunday 13: Sir 27:30—28:7/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35 Monday 14: Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17 Tuesday 15: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Jn 19:25-27 Wednesday 16: 1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Lk 7:31-35 Thursday 17: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 7:36-50 Friday 18: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3 Saturday 19: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Lk 8:4-15 Sunday 20: Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a



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

DO NOT RESPOND OR SEND DONATIONS!

### THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

A pious man, who had reached the age of 105 suddenly stopped going to church. Alarmed by the old fellow's absence after so many years of faithful attendance, the pastor went to see him.

He found him in excellent health, so the pastor asked, "How come after all these years we don't see you at church anymore?"

The old man lowered his voice. "I'll tell you, Father," he whispered. "When I got to be 90, I expected God to take me any day. But then I got to be 95, then 100, then 105. So, I figured that God is very busy and must have forgotten about me, and I don't want to remind Him.







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