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Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2021

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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.

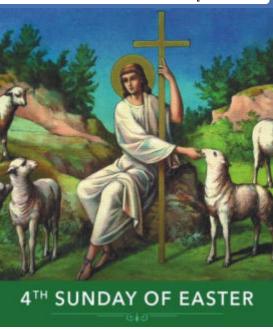
Together we strive to grow closer to Jesus Christ through the Holy Eucharist.

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 10:11-18

Any builder worth his or her salt knows the value and importance of a cornerstone. Properly laying and securing this primary unit determines how the rest of the project unfolds and its success. Cornerstones are necessary elements not only of buildings but of lives as well. Many human beings conduct the business of their lives paying little attention to a grounding reference or starting point. Hence, what unfolds is a tapestry of relativism, with few anchors or guideposts and many impulsive choices. Some consider love to be their cornerstone. While this may sound attractive and useful, the pursuit of love without a simultaneous pursuit of its source can be shallow and self-focused. Just because a person chooses to do no harm and love others does not mean that they are living

in truth and properly anchored to the real cornerstone.



Jesus is the true and authentic cornerstone and shepherd. It is only in following the Risen One as the way, the truth, and the life that we can move from being well grounded ethical people to properly focused moral ones. Proper conduct, a true sense of justice, wisdom, virtue, moral principles, faith, hope, and love will be difficult to find unless we listen to the right Voice. It is when we learn to listen to the voice of God that we begin our journey on the road to salvation. It is only the Good Shepherd, the authentic and solid cornerstone, who can guide us through life's questions and challenges and bring us to the safe and proper pasture.

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Celebration of the Mass

Monday: 8 a.m.; 7:30 p.m.; Holy Hour 6:30 p.m. 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)

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

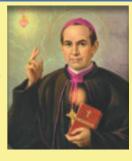
Baptism - Required Class:

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 at least one year prior to wedding. Must attend mandatory orientation session third Thursday of March or September at 7 p.m. Quinceañera Prep: Call parish office at least one year prior to date of celebration. Child must be enrolled in religious education for at least one year. Must attend mandatory orientation session 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 samcsa.com or a printed one which you can find near the church entrance 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

April 17/18 Attendance & Collection Totals Attendance 1,731 **Regular Collection** 26,059.07 RE Bldg. Debt Reduction 5,701.00 1,058.00 SAMC Pantry Capital Campaign 300.00 **Home Missions** 290.00 Church in the Holy Land 265.00 **Gabriel Project** 90.00 57.00 Candles Easter 25.00

St. Anthony Mary Claret First Saturday Mass & Devotions

Saturday, May 1, Mass: 8 a.m.



followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, rosary & consecration prayer



The Code of Canon Law prescribes that public announcement of the intent to promote an individual to Orders may be used as part of the pre-ordination inquiry. This Office has chosen to use publication in the ordinand's parish bulletin for the public announcement. The announcement should be included in your parish bulletin,

stating that if anyone is aware of any reason why this individual should not be ordained, to contact the Director, Diaconate Program at 210-734-1678. Accordingly, we are providing the Parish with this public announcement as prescribed by Canon 1051, 2.

You are hereby officially notified that on <u>Saturday, June 5, 2021, Antonio Valdez</u> from your parish should be promoted to the Sacred Order of Deacon. The Diaconate Ordination will be held at St. Mark the Evangelist Parish at 10 a.m. If anyone is aware of any reason why this individual should not be ordained, contact the Director of the Diaconate Program at 210-734-1678.

GOSPEL MEDITATION, Cont'd from page 1

A person's life only has meaning when the cornerstone is properly selected and set. Understanding themselves only as random acts of creation, existing without intent or purpose, will color their choices and influence their decisions. The foundation of their lives will be simply a matter of preference and choice, leaving benchmarks of growth and higher ideals optional to pursue. Whereas people who believe that they are fashioned and loved into existence by a God who purposely made them, have this incredible unconditional relationship at their source which has tremendous significance. Their allegiance is not to themselves but to their Creator. Life, then, is an adventure in search of this Creator God and a journey of self-discovery that seeks to unite their will to His. There is a cost. We have to give up our life in order to gain our life. As ironic as that sounds, it is true. It is only when we finally figure this out that the true cornerstone of our lives will be properly laid and we can, with God's help, get about the business of properly constructing a temple that endures.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, A	Apr. 24
5 P.M.	Teresa Ortiz† by Bea Alvarez
Sunday, Ap	or. 25
8 A.M.	Albert Kossaeth† by Mary Kossaeth
10A.M.	Birthday Blessings for Jason Belisario
	by Family
12 P.M.	Marcelino Armendariz, Jr.†
	by Teresa Revilla
3 P.M.	For the Parish
6 P.M.	Jason & Jacob Serna† by Family
Monday, A	pr. 26
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8 A.M. Birthday Blessings for Dylan Adderholdt by Jeanette Erickson

6:30 P.M. Holy Hour For an End to Abortion

Tuesday, Apr. 27

8 A.M. Birthday Blessings for Martha McGrew by Daughter-Jessica

Wednesday, Apr. 28

8 A.M. Pete Hernandez, Jr.† by Wife & Daughter

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8 A.M. Birthday Blessings for Desmond Smith

by Jeanette Erickson

Friday, Apr. 30

8 A.M. George & Barbara Renfro† by Family

Saturday, May 1

8 A.M. Healing for Marilu Merlo by Anne Merlo 5 P.M. Noreen Canestro† by Anthony & Lisa

D'Agnenica & Lila Palazzo

Sunday, May 2

8 A.M. Birthday Blessings for Mary Chaffin

by Husband-Jerry

10A.M. Eloy Alvarado† by M. Pilapil & Family

12 P.M. For the Parish

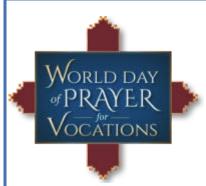
3 P.M. Souls in Purgatory† by Family

6 P.M. Billie Sievers† by Charlie Sievers & Family

Good Health for Shawn Wienaecke

by Cheryl Gothberg

SUNDAY, APRIL 25: WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



Today the Holy Father has asked all Catholics to intercede for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.

Keep our parish priests and deacons in prayer throughout the

Encourage your children or grandchildren to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.

Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to

respond to God's call.

A hymn in the liturgy speaks of the "transparent joy" present in the home of Nazareth. It—the joy of simplicity, the joy experienced daily by those who care for what truly matters: faithful closeness to God and to our neighbor. How good it would be if the same atmosphere, simple and radiant, sober and hopeful, were to pervade our seminaries, religious houses and presbyteries! I pray that you will experience this same joy, dear brothers and sisters who have generously made God the dream of your lives, serving him in your brothers and sisters through a fidelity that is a powerful testimony in an age of ephemeral choices and emotions that bring no lasting joy. May Saint Joseph, protector of vocations, accompany you with his fatherly heart!

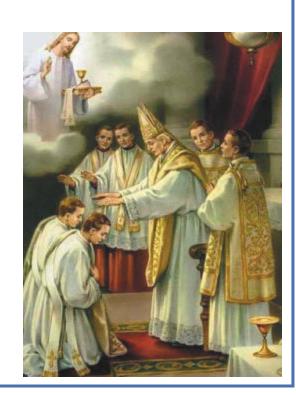
—Pope Francis, World Day of Prayer for Vocations, 2021



Join an "Invisible Monastery"! Pledge to pray for vocations at the international website: invisiblemonastery.com. It was inspired by a call from the Vatican urging Catholics of "organize an 'invisible monastery' in which many persons, day and night, are committed to continuous prayer for priestly vocations." inspired by a call from the Vatican urging Catholics to prayer for priestly vocations."

LET US PRAY...

Holy Spirit, stir within us the passion to promote vocations to the consecrated life, societies of apostolic life, diocesan priesthood, and permanent diaconate. Inspire us daily to respond to Your call with boundless compassion, abundant generosity, and radical availability. Help us to remember our own baptismal call to rouse us to invite the next generation to hear and respond to Your call. Inspire parents, families, and lay ecclesial ministers to begin a conversation with young Catholics to consider how they will live lives of holiness and sacred service. Nudge inquirers and motivate discerners to learn more about monastic life, apostolic life, missionaries, cloistered contemplative life, and evangelical Franciscan life. Ignite our Church with the confident humility that there is an urgent need for religious sisters, brothers, deacons, and priests to live in solidarity with those who are poor, neglected, and marginalized. Disrupt our comfortable lives and complacent attitudes with new ideas to respond courageously and creatively with a daily 'YES!' Amen.



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PARISH NEWS

Support Our Boy Scouts!

St. Anthony Mary Claret Boy Scout Troop 1988 will be selling Camp Cards at Las Palapas-Alamo Ranch on these dates:

> **Saturdays, May 1, 8, & 15**; 8-10 a.m.

Sundays: April 25, May 2, 9, & 16; 8-10 a.m. & 2-6 p.m.

The cards offer discounts at various local businesses.

Cost is \$5; \$2.50 is returned to the Scouts. Funds are used to pay for summer camp and other trips.

2021 CAMP CARD PARTNERS

Valid at participating locations until December 31, 2021 unless otherwise stated:







Questions? Contact Scoutmaster Matthew Wetter at mw3809@gmail.com.



WARNING: Some parishioners have received emails requesting help or donations and falsely claiming to be from Fr. Jan. DO NOT RESPOND OR **SEND DONATIONS!**



This Week in Our Parish Weddings: Leopoldo Banda & Natalia Astorga

COVID-19 VACCINES



ETHICAL CONCERNS?

Read the full statement from the chairmen of the **United States Conference** of Catholic Bishops here:

usccb.org/moral-considerations-covid-vaccines Also available in Spanish at usccb.org.

Regarding Johnson & Johnson one-dose vaccine: usccb.org/news/2021/us-bishop-chairmen-doctrine-and-pro -life-address-use-johnson-johnson-covid-19-vaccine

Additional info may also be found here:

- https://www.ncregister.com/interview/archbishopnaumann-on-the-ethics-of-covid-19-vaccines
- https://lozierinstitute.org/update-covid-19-vaccinecandidates-and-abortion-derived-cell-lines/

MASS ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES*

Archbishop Gustavo's dispensation of Catholics from the obligation to participate in Sunday/Holy Days of Obligation Masses within the Archdiocese of San Antonio granted on Mar. 13, 2020 is in effect until repealed.

Mass Participation/Seating

- Masks required for all persons over age 10.
- Sit at least 3 ft. from others. All pews are now open.
- Leave immediately after Mass.

Communion

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

*subject to change without notice

THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

The Sunday School teacher was describing how Lot's wife looked back and turned into a pillar of salt, when little Jason interrupted, "My Mommy looked back once while she was driving," he announced triumphantly, "and she turned into a telephone pole!"



COMMUNITY NEWS



NURSES NEEDED!

A Woman's Haven Pregnancy Crisis Center is hiring entry-level staff and nurses.

Interested? Contact Susan Perez at susan.perez@awomanshaven.org.

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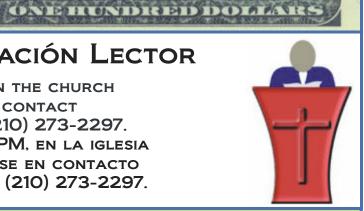
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Free College \$\$\$ for High School Seniors!

Our parish's Knights of Columbus Council #10090, Men's Club and the Ladies of St. Anthony Claret will award a few \$500 scholarships to qualified parish high school seniors intent on pursuing higher education. Applications may be downloaded and printed from the parish website: samcsa.com or picked up in the parish office. You may also call to have one emailed to you. Completed application packet must be MAILED IN to the parish office and postmarked by Friday, April 30, 2021.

LECTOR TRAINING/FORMACIÓN LECTOR

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 7 PM IN THE CHURCH FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT SCOTT KOLLMANSBERGER AT (210) 273-2297. MIÉRCOLES, 5 DE MAYO, A LAS 7 PM, EN LA IGLESIA PARA MAS INFORMACIÓN, PÓNGASE EN CONTACTO CON SCOTT KOLLMANSBERGER AL (210) 273-2297.



Bible Study Online Summer Classes

Bible Studies

Journey Through Scripture Series: "The Bible and the Blessed Virgin Mary" - Online, English*

Based Scott Hahn's book, Hail Holy Queen: The Mother of God in the Word of God, this 12-week Bible study unveils the mystery of Our Lady. "What the Catholic faith believes about Mary is based on what it believes about Christ, and what it teaches about Mary illumines in turn its faith in Christ" (CCC 487). Classes held via Zoom and feature videos, group discussion and fellowship. Led by Charolette (CJ) Aboytes. Open to 15 & up. Cost: \$30.

Sunday evening classes: Apr. 18-Aug. 1, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday morning classes: Apr. 20-Aug. 3, 10 a.m.

Ascension Press Bible Study

Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother - Online, English*

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, this 8-session extraordinary pilgrimage reveals Mary's unique role in God's kingdom and in our lives. Mary will become a part of your daily life, and in your daily life, you will become more like Christ. The better we know Mary, the better we will know her Son. Classes held via Zoom and feature presentations by Edward Sri, group discussion and fellowship.

Wednesday morning classes: Apr. 28-June 16, 10 a.m. Thursday evening classes: Apr. 29-June 17, 8:30 p.m.

*For info or to register, contact Charolette J. (CJ) Garcia-Aboytes at (210) 843-1198 or cjaboytes@gmail.com.

Ascension Press Bible Study

Mary: A Biblical Walk Through the Mass - Online, English

Know and understand the Mass as never before. In his video-based study A Biblical Walk Through the Mass, Dr. Edward Sri explores the roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. Five sessions held via Zoom. Register at https://study.ascensionpress.com/studies/55433/ registrations/new. Then contact Marie DeGennaro at mariedeg@hotmail.com to receive the Zoom link. Sunday evenings classes begin May 16, 6-7 p.m.

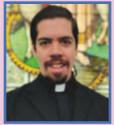
Journey Through Scripture Series - Spanish: For info on our Spanish Bible study or to add your name to our wait-list for when in-person classes resume, contact Felipe Forero at (210) 833-8552.

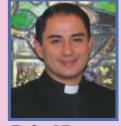
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FAITH & PRAYER

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.





Bernardo Castañeda

Rafael Becerra

Loving God, You speak to us and nourish us through the life of this Church community. In the name of Jesus, we ask you to send your Spirit to us so that men and women among us, young and old, will respond to your call to service and leadership in the Church. We pray especially, in our day, for those who hear your invitation to be a priest, sister, or brother. May those who are opening their hearts and minds to your call be encouraged and strengthened through our enthusiasm in your service. Amen.

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

Hijas del Espíritu Santo

Blue Sunday Day of Prayer for Abused Children

Sunday, April 25

- For investigators (CPS & Law Enforcement): for discernment, wisdom, and decisiveness; for empathy and ability to connect compassionately with the victim; for protection of their well-being and spirit in light of what they hear and see every day; for restoration of spirit.
- 2.) For decision-makers and those providing aftercare for children who have been abused (foster care workers, judges, CASA workers, GALs, therapists, and foster parents): for wisdom, empathy and patience with the child who has been abused, as well as their family of origin; for attentiveness to detail and discernment in perceiving symptoms and patterns of the aftereffects of a child's abuse; for a creative and persevering spirit in innovating solutions for a child or family, for strong support networks to come around each of these individuals to provide guidance and restoration as they execute their role; for renewal of spirit and continuing passion for their work.
- 3.) For the children who have been abused: for caring, stable adults in their lives who will nurture and pour into them; for well-trained and knowledgeable professionals to be part of their care team and assist in their recovery; for the bravery and resilience of spirit to open themselves to new relationships and relationship patterns, and to disclose and work through past abuse; for their hope to be strengthened, and for their hope to be fulfilled for good things to come for their life.



PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Felipe Forrero
Irene Lemus
Tarah Colleta
Tracey Kollmansberger
Teresa Santellanes
Patricia Gonzales
Jo Ann Niedenthal
Bridget Dunlap
Diego Garduno
Michelle Reynolds
Karina Hernandez
Kelton Sweet, Jr.
Joanna Sweet
Javier Calderon
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Mary Helen Peterson
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Rosa Huerta
Barbara Vanegas
A.C. Garza
Olga Faz
Bishop Yanta
Nancy Souhrada
Bill Jennings
Dee Hancock
Linda Santos
Tom Calderon Jr.

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 25: Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18 Monday 26: Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10 Tuesday 27: Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30 Wednesday 28: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Jn 12:44-50 Thursday 29: Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20 Friday 30: Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6 Saturday 1: Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14 Sunday 2: Acts 9:26-31/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8



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



In Sympathy...

The parish community extends its condolences to parishioner *Alice Russell* whose sister,
Margaret Rendon,

recently passed away. Heavenly Father, welcome Margaret into your presence and grant her loved ones comfort, love and peace. Amen.



Debra Bachleda CPA, PC, Parishioner

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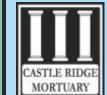
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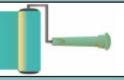
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