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July 11, 2021

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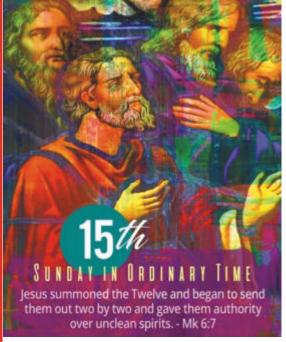
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Parish Mission Statement

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.



Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL MEDITATION: MK 6:7-13

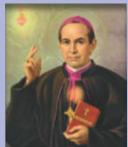
Maybe the work is best left to the professionals. That's how many people view the preaching of the Gospel. That's the stuff priests, religious, deacons, lay ministers, and other professional Church people do. It has little to do with me. Well, that's not really true. The fact of the matter is that preaching the Gospel has everything to do with you, with all of us who are baptized members of the Body of Christ. Nobody gets off the hook from that job. The question is, however, how do we do it? Well, there's a safe way, which many choose, to preach the Gospel — and the risky way. The safe way pretty much keeps the Gospel in church and around like-minded people. I say my prayers, go to Mass, contribute to the food pantry, tithe, and attend Bible study. That pretty much covers the bases, right? Wrong.

The risky way is the more challenging way and for many, the "road less traveled." Imagine those first disciples going out and into people's homes. They must have had some amazing conversations with folks about God's kingdom, changing their hearts, forgiving sins, and looking at the world differently. They must have met people who were hurting, exiled from their communities, neglected, lost, or living self-insulated lives in a society that served the rich and neglected the poor. While there were many who welcomed what they had to say and the conversations they had, there were others who no doubt rejected them and literally tossed them out on their ears! The Gospel, while being a message of joy and hope, is not *(Cont'd on p. 2*).

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) Saturdays - 4 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.

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 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

GOSPEL MEDITATION, Cont'd from page 1

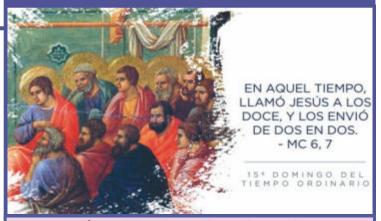
always received well by those who are very comfortable keeping things as they are.

The risky way involves example and conversation. We have to take the Gospel from church and carry it with us wherever we go. What kinds of conversations do we have with others? We interact with those closest to us, in our work, social circles, institutions, corporations, in politics, and beyond. Our conversations with others reveal a great deal about how we see things and what we consider important. If we are really interested in seeing God's vision for the world succeed, then we will talk about it. It will become a part of our everyday conversation and find its way into our interactions with others. How will we preserve the dignity of human life and encourage others to have a relationship with God? We must be the example, live valuecentered, virtuous lives, stand against injustice, combat racism, and learn ways to resolve conflicts without violence.

If we are going to succeed going forward, we have to find a way to bring our prayer-centered lives into the marketplace. Our conversations have to change. Not everyone wants to hear what the Gospel has to say. That's a risk God asks us to take. ©LPi

July 3/4 Attendance & Collection Totals

Attendance	2,122
Regular Collection	\$ 26,157.89
RE Bldg. Debt Reduction	\$
SAMC Pantry	\$ 1,100.00
Candles	\$ 285.83
Capital Campaign	\$ 150.00
Gabriel Project	\$ 100.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 81.00



This Week in Our Parish Weddings: Jason Brian Garcia & Jenay Monigue Zelaya Juan Ramon Ramos & Veronica Mary Magallon

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, Ju		8 A.M.	Carmen Nava† by Bea Alvarez	
5 P.M.	Joseph† & Ella Kopech†; Joseph L. Stein†;		Good Health for Frances Castillo by Children	
	Robert† & Floranna Stein†; Richard	Thursday, July	y 15	
	Caldwell, Jr. [†] by Blanchard Family	8 A.M.	Anniversary Blessings for Anna & Tom	
Sunday, July	11		Shearer by Bea Peterson	
8 A.M.	Rudy & Selia Garcia†; Manuel &	Friday, July 10		
	Concepcion Espinoza† by Espinoza Family	8 A.M.	Daniel R.† & Manuela M. Gonzales†;	
10A.M.	Francesco†, Maria†, Carmela†, Corrado†,	0 A.WI.	Tomasa N. Cabezuela [†] ; Sr. Victoria	
	Sebastiano†, & Giovanni† by Sal Spataro		Hernandez [†] ; Souls in Purgatory [†]	
12 P.M.	Maria Lopez† by Rosemary Galvan		by F. Gonzales	
3 P.M.	For the Parish		Jacob Chacon [†] by Sonia Cantu	
6 P.M.	Jean Macecevic† by Bill Macecevic			
Monday, Jul	v 12	Saturday, July		
8 A.M.	Felicidad & Tomas Calderon, Sr.†	5 P.M.	Deacon Jesse Galvan [†] by Rosemary Galvan	
	by Mendoza Family	Sunday, July 18		
	Stephen Paul Sanders†	8 A.M.	BB* for Alexandra Astorga by Family	
	by Art & Doris Jackson	10A.M.	Alan J. Ponce [†] ; Margaret [†] & Albert	
6:30 P.M.	Holy Hour		Suarez [†] ; Healing for Anthony Ponce	
7:30 P.M.	BB* for Virginia Hilton by Family		by Alma Ponce	
Tuesday Jul	v 12	12 P.M.	Richard Keller [†] by Keller & Rankin Families	
Tuesday, Jul 8 A.M.	Jorge Vudoyra† by Daughter	3 P.M.	For the Parish	
o A.w. Jorge v uuoyra v by Daugner		6 P.M.	BB* for Jose S. Rodriguez, Jr.	
Wednesday,	July 14		by Rodriguez Family	
			* BB = Birthday Blessings	

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A PASTORAL RESPONSE TO PORNOGRAPHY



Create in Me a Clean Heart Abridged Version - Conclusion

Note: This article is part of the USCCB "Clean Heart" series and is a companion resource to the USCCB formal statement *Create in Me a Clean Heart: A Pasto-ral Response to Pornography* in which the bishops of the United States give a word of hope and healing to those who have been harmed by pornography and raise awareness of its pervasiveness and harms. This abridged version covers the

statement's main points. Additional resources, including the full statement text, can be found at www.usccb.org/cleanheart.

Mercy and Healing in Christ and Through the Church

The Church is called to be a "field hospital" for the wounded of the world.² No wound is out of the reach of Christ's redeeming grace. Christ is our hope! The Church proclaims the truth about love, sexuality, and the dignity of each person, and she seeks to provide the Lord's mercy and healing for those harmed by pornography.

To those exploited by the pornography industry, you are beloved and cherished by God! The way you have been treated is deplorable, and we will work for justice for all enslaved men, women, and children. Come to the Lord and allow him to heal you.

To those guilty of exploiting others through the production of pornography, the Lord in his justice and mercy is calling you to repentance. No sin is too great to forgive, but we exhort you to repent, make amends for the damage you have caused, and turn yourself over to civil authorities if you have been involved in criminal exploitation.

To men and women who use pornography, be not afraid to approach the altar of mercy and ask for forgiveness. God is waiting to meet with joy those who repent. Counseling, spiritual direction, and accountability groups can all help you to reach freedom. Filtering software can help you avoid near occasions of sin. Cultivating chastity takes work and is a daily choice. If you fall, seek the Lord's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.

To those who have been hurt by their spouse's pornography use, you are not to blame for your spouse's choice to view pornography. You may feel betrayed and deceived and may have faced abuse. If you are in danger, seek safety. Find solace in prayer and seek out a trusted spiritual director or counselor as you work through powerful emotions. If your spouse desires to change, you can be a great help to him/her. Set clear boundaries and take care of your own health.

To all parents, you are the guardians of your children and should be their models for chaste love. It is your responsibility to teach your children the true meaning of sexuality and to protect them from pornography. Be vigilant about the technology you allow into your home. Foster openness and trust with your children so they can talk to you about images they have seen.

To all who work with children and youth, parents have given you a responsibility to protect their children. You can have a great influence on the children entrusted to your care. Create an environment suitable for learning chastity and be vigilant over technological access.

To young people, Christ calls you to be strong, courageous witnesses of chastity and hope. Be an example for your friends of the freedom and joy that come from living a chaste life. Reject the pressure to treat sex as recreational or to objectify your body or someone else's. If you have used pornography, seek forgiveness from the Lord and ask for help from your parents or a trusted adult.

To pastors and other clergy, we are witnesses of the joy and freedom of chastity. Let us call the faithful to the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation and make sure it is available. We too must approach the fount of mercy if we sin in this area. Let us preach on chastity and protect children from pornography.

To all people of goodwill, the Church is grateful to all who are working to acknowledge the harmful nature of pornography and build a culture where chastity and authentic love are esteemed and supported.

You Are Not Alone

Many good people struggle with the sin of pornography and are striving to cultivate chastity. You are not alone. Jesus is with you, and the Church offers you love and support. Trust in the Lord's mercy and his power to free and heal you.

See page 6 of this bulletin for an accompanying prayer.

Notes: 2 See Antonio Spadaro, SJ, "A Big Heart Open to God: The exclusive interview with Pope Francis," *America* (Sept. 30, 2013). Source: www.USCCB.org. The complete statement in book form is also available for purchase at this site.

PARISH NEWS

The Call to Holiness *A Day Retreat*

July 24, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Ever wonder about your call to holiness or how God may be calling you to greater intimacy and union with Him? We invite you to spend time with God and allow Him to speak to your heart.

For more info, contact Leslie Droege at 210-781-9795 or lesliedroege95@gmail.com.

Marriage Ministry Date Night for married & engaged couples Friday, July 16, 7 p.m. Msgr. Hubertus Hall

RSVP to Roland & Sonia Garcia at marriageministrysamc@gmail.com no later than July 14. *Child care now available*.

TOPIC: Trust clams anxiety and hope reduces sadness and loneliness.

Do you homeschool?

Laude Catholic Homeschool Co-op will soon be enrolling for the fall semester. Parents teach and volunteer to provide core and extra-curricular classes for K-12 in a group environment.



We meet Fridays 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. after 8 a.m. Mass. Classes begin Aug. 27.

Courses include: history, geography, religion, science labs, math, English, religion, foreign language, art, music, theatre, PE, Tae Kwon Do, and more.

To learn more, contact Lillian Melendez-Smith at isansoko@yahoo.com.



St. Anthony Mary Claret Super Seniors & the Cooperative Extension Program-Bexar County presents an online series:

Money Matters

Thursdays, 12-1 p.m. via Zoom Aug. 8: Money Matters Aug. 26: Loan to Own Aug. 12: Keep It Safe-ID Theft Protection Sept. 2: Pay Yourself First Aug. 19: Borrowing Basics Sept. 9: To Your Credit

For info or to register, contact Lawrence Lucido at mlaredo33@aol.com or Grace Guerra-Gonzalez at grguerra@pvamu.edu.





Want to advance the Culture of Life in our parish and community? Join the St. Anthony Mary Claret Respect Life Ministry (RLM)! <u>Virtual Zoom meeting:</u> Tuesday, July 13, 8 p.m.

To register for the meeting or learn more, contact Paul Comeau at 210-382-7511. If no answer, send a text indicating you want a callback. Current members will be sent the Zoom link.

Membership in other ministries can enhance RLM since the Culture of Life spans many other areas and interests such as religious education, Gabriel Project, Knights of Columbus, etc.

> New faces and ideas are welcome as are current and former members. Leadership positions are also open.



I am such a good singer that people always ask me to sing solo... solo that they can't hear me. Sometimes they ask me to sing tenor as well... tenor twelve miles away.



Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

IMPORTANT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Planning to enroll your kids in parish religious education classes this fall? PREPARE NOW!

ParishSOFT is a new RE registration program we will use this year. Create your "My Own Church Account" now. This is <u>required</u> in order to register your child(ren) online for this year's in-person RE classes.

With My Own Church, you will be able to ...

- register online to enroll family members in an open faith formation class, i.e., RE/RCIC/RCIA classes.
- view envelope and online giving history.
- update family and member information, add photos, and set privacy preferences.
- access electronic giving statements at year-end or anytime.
- support the accuracy of your parish records and reduce paper waste.

Sign up for a new My Own Church account at https://support.parishsoft.com/hc/en-us/ articles/115003566092-PSFS-MOC-Members-How-to-sign-up-for-a-new-My-Own-Church-account.

Log in to My Own Church at https://support.parishsoft.com/hc/en-us/articles/115003552471-PSFS-MOC-Members-How-to-log-in-to-My-Own-Church.

Get started at https://support.parishsoft.com/hc/en-us/articles/360002560032.

IMPORTANT DATES - Mark your calendars!

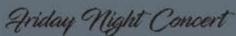
Online RE registration begins Aug. 1.

- In-person RE registration begins Aug. 15 after all weekend Masses in the RE building.
 - RE classes begin Sept. 12.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Hyatt Regency Hill Country Resort & Spa 9800 Hyatt Resort Drive, San Antonio, Texas 78251



with Matt Maher August 20, 2021

VIP Concert Pass - \$65 • Priority Concert Pass - \$45 General Admission Concert Pass Add-On (Ages 6+) - \$17.50

Weekend Conference

August 21-22, 2021 Family Pase - \$195 • Priority Scraphim Pase - \$175 General Admission Pase - \$75 • Youth Pase (Ages 6-18) • \$35

Childcare (Ages 1-10 - Space Limited) - \$20







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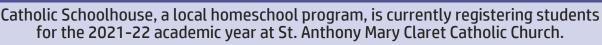
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Marriage Ministry Benefit Dinner Wed., Aug. 4, 6-8:15 p.m. Pedrotti's Ranch 13715 FM Rd. 1560 Helotes, TX 78023

Keynote speaker: FATHER JOHN RICCARDO This is a FREE event. For info or to register, visit <u>www.TheAlexanderHouse</u> <u>2021.eventbrite.com</u>.



For tickets, schedule and more information call 877.218.7884 or visit www.FullnessOfTruth.org





More than an academic co-op, Catholic Schoolhouse is a structured program meeting weekly for homeschoolers that includes chorus, two hours of classroom instruction, science experiments, art projects, and opportunities for socializing after class. For info, contact Alexandra Kubebatu at 210-996-1437 or <u>SanAntonioTX@CatholicSchoolhouse.com</u>.

FAITH & PRAYER

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

Pray for our local seminarians and for an increase in vocations to religious life. This month we especially pray for these two seminarians:





Luis De La Cruz

Ottmar Tovar

Loving and gracious God, your son Jesus reminded us: "To love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12). May we never forget Jesus' words in all that we do. We pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life in the Archdiocese of San Antonio. Give us the gifts of the Holy Spirit so we can serve you more faithfully in our own vocations of married, single, religious or priestly life. Help us to support one another in our vocations and to work together to build up your kingdom here on earth. Amen.

The committee also commends to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: **Pax Christi Institute**

COMMUNITY NEWS



Music for the Soul with



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PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Sean Perch Chad Fite Anita Naguid Sandy Bretzke John Boriskie Delores M. Orozco Krystle Navarro Tracey Kollmansberger Jo Ann Niedenthal Bridget Dunlap Diego Garduno Karina Hernandez Kelton Sweet, Jr. Joanna Sweet Javier Calderon George Aldaya Mary Helen Peterson Sandy Salinas Eloise Salazar Maria Morales 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 11: Am 7:12-15/Eph 1:3-14/Mk 6:7-13 Monday 12: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34—11:1 Tuesday 13: Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24 Wednesday 14: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27 Thursday 15: Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30 Friday 16: Ex 11:10—12:14/Mt 12:1-8 Saturday 17: Ex 12:37-42/Mt 12:14-21 Sunday 18: Jer 23:1-6/Mk 6:30-34

Create a Clean Heart in Me Prayer

Have mercy on me, God, in accord with your merciful love; in your abundant compassion blot out my transgressions. Thoroughly wash away my guilt; and from my sin cleanse me. For I know my transgressions; my sin is always before me. Against you, you alone have I sinned; I have done what is evil in your eyes So that you are just in your word, and without reproach in your judgment. Behold, I was born in guilt, in sin my mother conceived me. Behold, you desire true sincerity: and secretly you teach me wisdom. Cleanse me with hyssop, that I may be pure; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. You will let me hear gladness and joy; the bones you have crushed will rejoice. Turn away your face from my sins; blot out all my iniquities. A clean heart create for me, God; renew within me a steadfast spirit. (Ps 51:3-12)



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