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Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 31, 2021

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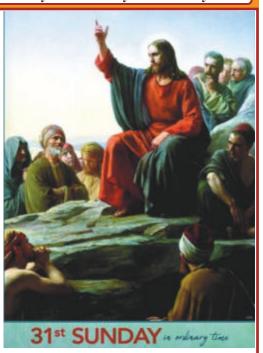
We, the people of St. Anthony Mary Claret Parish, have as our mission to open our hearts and doors to those from all walks of life so that they too may share in the everlasting presence of God.

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: MK 12:28b-34

Centuries of God's devoted people have found this prayer on their lips: "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone!" The fundamental prayer has been laid as the cornerstone of many spiritual lives. Where did you learn how to pray or did you? Maybe there is a wisdom figure in your life who inspired and guided you by the genuine, holy simplicity of their lives. His or her example may have led you to God and taught you how to pray. Or perhaps you discovered this art on your own after stumbling over yourself enough times and finally realizing it was time to reach out to Someone greater than yourself. There is a timeless truth that we not only tend to forget, but may have never learned. There is only one God, the Lord alone! As a result, we often worship other gods rather than the One true God. Everything in our life gets distorted and we find ourselves lost and off-



If we haven't learned it yet, there is a life lesson at the top of all of the possible lessons to be learned. There is One True and Eternal God who alone has a solitary claim on us and must be loved with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Until we learn this primary lesson, we run the risk of getting distracted and sidetracked. We will also never really figure out what is at the heart of the relationships we share with the other human beings on this planet with whom we share life. That one primary lesson will teach us the second most valuable lesson: that we must love our neighbor as ourselves. You cannot have one without

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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)

Saturdays: 4 p.m., Sundays: 4 p.m.

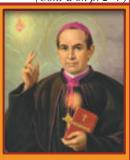
Baptism - Required Class:

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.



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IN OUR PARISH



Saturday, Oct. 30

Wednesday, Nov. 3

8 A.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 **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

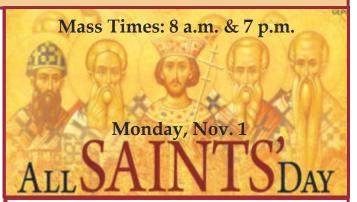
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the other. The presence of God in the core soul of each one of us requires that all of our relationships work together. This truth is at the heart of the Gospel.

If every human being, each in their own way, could stumble upon and genuinely embrace this truth, look how different life would be! Our priorities will immediately shift from "I and me" to "us and we" and we will develop a more inclusive vision for our brothers and sisters. Concerned not only about my own well-being and happiness but also that of our brothers and sisters, humanity stands a chance at succeeding in the struggle with injustice, abuse, inequity, violence, war, entitlement, and privilege. It seems that getting to this point has been at the heart of the Gospel and the kingdom of God from the moment Jesus first started to preach. It's a wonder why, then, why so many centuries later, we have still failed to achieve his vision. Maybe we just haven't learned our primary lessons yet. ©LPi

Oct. 23/24 Attendance & Collection Totals

Attendance	2,318
Regular Collection	\$ 22,560.20
RE Bldg. Debt Reduction	\$ 4,566.00
World Missions	\$ 1,145.00
Candles	\$ 208.01
SAMC Pantry	\$ 135.00
Rosary Makers	\$ 60.00
Hope for the Future	\$ 20.00





This Week in Our Parish Weddings:

Pominic Parra & Lindsey Guerrero

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

5 P.M.	Frank & Stella Stegent; Regina Pawlak by Blanchard Family
Sunday, Oct.	.31
8 A.M.	BB* for Tegan Astorga by Family
10A.M.	For the Parish
12 P.M.	42nd Anniversary Blessings for Robert
	& Selia Espinoza by Espinoza Family
3 P.M.	Souls in Purgatory† by Mary Macias
6 P.M.	Hospicio† & Leonora Lagura†; Mandy
	Francisco†; Nizza DeGuzman†; Zorayda
	Salli by Lagura-Francisco Family
Monday, Nov	v. 1
8 A.M.	Crisostomo De Guzman† & Danilo
	Taliman† by Taliman Family
6:30 P.M.	Holy Hour
7 P.M.	For Those with a Kidnapped Family
	Member by Emma Ortiz
Tuesday, No	v. 2 *** ALL DAY ADORATION ***
8 A.M.	Albert Kossaeth† by Mary Kossaeth
7 P.M.	Souls in Purgatory
8 P.M.	Grotto Memorial Brick Blessing

Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate &

Consecrated Life by Family

Thursday, Nov	. 4
8 A.M.	Spiritual Healing/Strength for Humanity; Souls in Purgatory† by M. Gonzales
7 P.M.	Stephen Paul Sanders† by Stacy Cheesne Bilingual Holy Hour
Friday, Nov. 5	21
8 A.M.	BB* for Emmanuel James Wessel
O A.IVI.	by Bea Peterson
	BB* for Danny Henson by Henson &
	Villanueva Families
Saturday, Nov.	. 6
8 A.M.	Raymond Bendele† by Bea Peterson
5 P.M.	Spec. Int.: James & Henry Pawelek; Alois
	& Florence Olenick by Olenick Family
Sunday, Nov. 7	•
8 A.M.	Raymond & Elvira Bendele†
	by Bea Peterson
	Marie Yolande Ngoyet†
	by Amedzrovi Family
10A.M.	BB* for Nicolas Rodriguez
	by Rodriguez Family
12 P.M.	Dora Figueroa† by Dora Lopez & Family
3 P.M.	For the Parish
6 P.M.	Lorraine Lovetere† by Walter Fredericks
	* BB = Birthday Blessings

RESPECT LIFE



You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has WEEKE inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!

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- 107 abortion centers closed

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- Vigil location: Outside Planned Parenthood; 2140 Babcock Rd.; San Antonio, TX 78229
- · Vigil hours: 7 am to 7 pm daily (no Sun.)
- Local contact: Cathy Nix; 210 668-1993; cathy@sacfl.org
- Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!

Intercessions for Life

For those nearing the end of life: may they receive care that respects their dignity and protects their lives as they place their hope in the promise of eternal life. Let us pray to the Lord.

Intercesiones por la Vida

Por los que están cerca del final de la vida: que reciban el cuidado que respete su dignidad y proteja su vida mientras ponen su esperanza en la promesa de la vida eterna. Roguemos al Señor.

40daysforlife.com/SanAntonio

Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing

Read the full version at respectlifeprogram.org/end-of-life-considerations.

We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God. Our journey with Christ includes equipping our

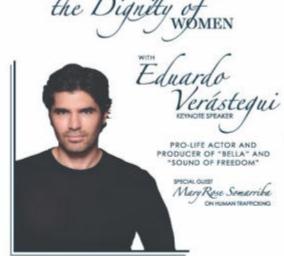
consciences to make morally good judgments at the end of life. While no summary can substitute for thorough catechesis, one thing is clear: we are entrusted by God with the gift of life. This obliges us to make use of appropriate, effective medical care. The Church affirms

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the inviolable dignity of every person, regardless of the duration or extent of the person's incapacity. Nothing diminishes the sanctity of a person's life, or the obligation to protect and care for it. Those who are sick should not be alone, and, even after death, accompaniment continues by praying for those who have passed.

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ST. JOSEPH: FAITHFUL PROTECTOR OF MOTHER & CHILD

St. Joseph

Faithful Protector of Mother and Child

The infant Christ "came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph" (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them, and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come.

While the angel of the Lord appeared to Mary to announce that she would bring forth the Savior of the world, it was revealed to Joseph in a series of dreams how God's plans would be brought to fulfillment. As Pope Francis highlights, "God trusted Joseph, as did Mary, who found in him someone who would not only save her life, but would always provide for her and her child" (PC 5).

Dear St. Joseph, help us to imitate your faithful trust and courage. Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, "in every situation, Joseph declared his own 'fiat'" (PC 3). His "yes" to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us.

During this Year of St. Joseph, each of us can find in him "an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble" (PC, Intro). Joseph shows us how to say "yes" to life, despite our own fears, frailties, and weaknesses. For it is Joseph who was "chosen by God to guide the beginnings of the history of redemption. He was the true

'miracle' by which God saves the child and his mother" (PC 5).

May we, too, be miracles in the lives of those who are most in need, especially at the beginning and end of life. Dear St. Joseph, you who were "able to turn a problem into a possibility by trusting always in divine providence" (PC 5), help us to imitate your faithful trust and courage.

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PARISH NEWS



Great food & fellowship under one roof! Tamale Plate Fundraiser Sunday, Nov. 7, 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Msgr. Hubertus Hall \$10 plate includes 3 delicious tamales, rice, beans & tea. Cash, checks & credit cards accepted.



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Christmas Toy Drive

Make Christmas brighter for children in need! Donate kids' toys in the bin located in the narthex after all Masses now through Nov. 14. All toys accepted.

Dolls, cars and trucks are especially needed. Toys should be new, packaged and unwrapped. NO BATTERY OPERATED TOYS PLEASE.





St. Anthony Claret Knights of Columbus Council #10090 & **St. Anthony Claret Bible Studies** present

A Family Bible Study (for ages 12 & up) **Saturday Nov. 13, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Guest speaker: Ray Ranzau (pen name: name Ray Sullivan) from Catholic Stand Talks: "Genesis" & "Spiritual Warfare"

RSVP to fishbread5000@yahoo.com.

Walk-ins also welcome.

Bring the kids. We'll bring the pizza!



Pray a living rosary with the Legion of Mary!

October is the

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BAPTISM CLASS

Tuesday Nov. 2, 7:30 p.m. RE Bldg., 1st floor

You have one more opportunity to do so on Saturday, Oct. 30, after 5 p.m. Mass. We will pray the joyful mysteries.



Training for **NEW** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Wednesday, Nov. 17, 7 p.m. in the church

THE SUNDAY FUNNIES







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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:





Jose Edgar Hernandez

Javier Alvarado

God our Father, thank you for calling these men 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.

We also commend to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life:

Missionary Society of St. Paul

St. John Vianney on the essential nature of prayer:

"My dear brothers and sisters, not only is prayer very powerful; even more, it's of the utmost necessity for overcoming the enemies of our salvation. Look at all the saints: They weren't content with watching and fighting to overcome the enemies of their salvation and with keeping well away from all that could offer them temptation. They passed their whole lives in prayer, not only the day, but very often the whole night as well. Yes, my dear children, we watch over ourselves and all the motions of our hearts in vain, and in vain we avoid temptation, if we don't pray. If we don't continually resort to prayer, all our other ways will be of no use at all to us, and we'll be overcome. We won't find any sinner converted without turning to prayer. We won't find one persevering without depending heavily on prayer. Nor will we ever find a Christian who ends up damned whose downfall didn't begin with a lack of prayer."

COMMUNITY NEWS

Holy Hour for Vocations With Bishop Gary Janak, JCL

Wednesday, Nov. 3, 7 - 8 p.m.
Assumption Seminary:
Our Lady's Chapel
2600 W. Woodlawn Ave.



PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Tony Salinas Mary Keeton Suzanne Sandlin Michael Gene Roberson Alejandro De Luna Deacon Jerry Kozar Maggie Reyna Rocio Gibbs Fr. Patrick Martin Chervl Ferrell Tracev Kollmansberger Bridget Dunlap Karina Hernandez Kelton Sweet, Jr. Joanna Sweet Javier Calderon George Aldaya

Mary Helen Peterson **Eloise Salazar** Maria Morales Rosa Huerta Barbara Vanegas A.C. Garza Manuel & Eloise Salazar Javier & Mary Bautista Olga Faz Bishop Yanta Nancy Souhrada Bill Jennings Dee Hancock Linda Santos Tom Calderon Jr. Sandy Salinas

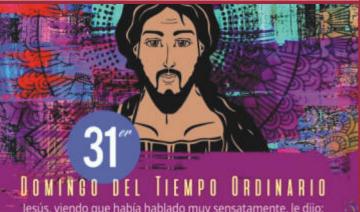
List is reserved for *names of parishioners and immediate family only*.

You may submit up to FOUR names at a time.

Names usually run for four weeks.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 31: Dt 6:2-6/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34 Monday 1: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a Tuesday 2: Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11/Jn 6:37-40a Wednesday 3: Rom 13:8-10/Lk 14:25-33 Thursday 4: Rom 14:7-12/Lk 15:1-10 Friday 5: Rom 15:14-21/Lk 16:1-8 Saturday 6: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Lk 16:9-15 Sunday 7: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44



Jesús, viendo que había hablado muy sensatamente, le dijo: "No estás lejos del Reino de Dios". - Mc 12, 34

Prayer for the Faithful Departed

Good and faithful God, you have given us so many people in our lives that have given us joy and solace. On this day we ask you to remember our dearly departed, especially N. Keep them close to you as we all wait for that day when we all will come and worship in your presence. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.





Debra Bachleda CPA, PC, Parishioner

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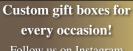
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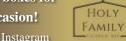
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