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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 13, 2022

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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: LK 6:17, 20-26

What has been the most difficult challenge you faced in your life? Many difficult human experiences can "turn up the heat" in our lives, causing us to question the why of things or even fall into despair. Some people just somewhat passively accept what life brings, even death, and chalk difficult experiences up to happening "because they do." They seemingly endure and move on. Taking life at face value, there really is no ultimate meaning to things. It's easier to ignore that inner prompting calling us to understand why. It's there whether we admit it or not. To question or not to question — that is the question! People sometimes give up the God search because it causes too many questions. Once we open the door to the possibility of God's existence, then all of the awkward, challenging, and tragic pieces of life have to find their place.

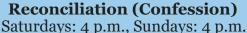
It gets messy. But the search is so important to living. We can easily dry up and become arid, abandoning any hope for purpose and

meaning because it's too difficult and non-rational at times. In searching for answers to the how and why of life, human beings also embark on a search for God. When one finally stumbles upon the real living tangible presence of God, then that discovery allows life's ironies and tensions to be held side by side with the all-encompassing totally unconditional, unmerited love of God! Then when life's heat gets turned up, difficulties and challenges abound, dryness and heartache become the norm, the soul remains in joyful repose. There is no fear.

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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 & 10 a.m.; 12, 3 (Spanish), & 6 p.m. Holy Days of Obligation: Check inside bulletin for times.



Baptism - Required Class:

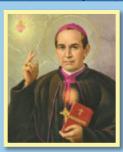
First Tuesday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Call parish office to register.

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. Attend mandatory orientation third Thurs. 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. Attend mandatory orientation fourth Thurs. 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

GOSPEL MEDITATION, Cont'd from page 1

The beatitudes celebrate life's ironies and tensions, holding them all together in the Kingdom of God. Poverty, hunger, weeping, being insulted and hated are not things we would normally associate with being God's friends. But they are! In fact, those who experience these uncomfortable realities of life are actually better off than those who do not. This is what makes Jesus' message so intriguing! Don't give up questioning. Questioning the apparent inequities and polarities of human experience will certainly challenge one's faith. But it's the only way to deepen it.



This Week in our Parish Quince Años: James Michael Lopez



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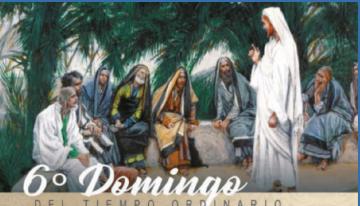
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Feb. 5/6 attendance & collection totals

Attendance	2,348
Regular Collection	\$ 25,297.68
RE Bldg. Debt Reduction	\$ 8,508.99
SAMC Pantry	\$ 850.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 460.00
Candles	\$ 251.95
Gabriel Project	\$ 175.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 125.00



hombres los aborrezcan y los expulsen de entre gan por causa del Hijo del hombre". - Lc 6. 22

World Marriage Day: Sunday, Feb. 13 "Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves." ~ Romans 12:10



MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, Feb. 12

5 P.M. Frank & Stella Stegent† by Blanchard Family

Sunday, Feb. 13

8 A.M. Anita Guerrero† by Ulep Family 10 A.M. Paul Wilson† by John Debner

12 P.M. Margaret† & Albert Suarez†; Alan J.

Ponce†; Healing for Anthony Ponce

by Alma Ponce

3 P.M. Jorge Vudoyra† by Daughter Fanny 6 P.M. For All Seminarians by Emma Ortiz

Monday, Feb. 14

8 A.M. Kathleen Tiblier Hrncir† by Santana Family

6:30 P.M. Holy Hour

7:30 P.M. Jaime Alvarez† by Alvarez Family

Tuesday, Feb. 15

8 A.M. Michelle Reynolds† & Family

by Connie Jones

Wednesday, Feb. 16

8 A.M. BB* for Mary Macias by Mary Macias Jimmy Moos† by Mary Kossaeth

Thursday, Feb. 17

8 A.M. For the Parish

Friday, Feb. 18

8 A.M. Richard Keller† by Keller/Rankin Families

Saturday, Feb. 19

BB* for Maria Gibbs by Gibbs Family 5 P.M.

Sunday, Feb. 20

8 A.M. For the Parish

10 A.M. Francesco†, Maria†, Carmela†, Corrado†,

Sebastiano†, & Giovanni† by Sal Spataro

12 P.M. Josefina Rivera† by Rivera Family 3 P.M. Ambaro Espinoza† by Veronica Felix Margaret Rendon† by Alice Russell 6 P.M.

BB* for Victoria Theresa Guerrero

by Guerrero Family

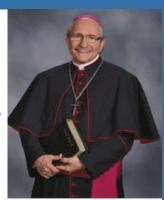
* BB = Birthday Blessings

ST. ANTHONY CLARET LENTEN MISSION

A Lenten Journey in the Gospel of Luke The Church: Praying, Fasting and Giving Alms Presenter: Most Reverend Michael J. Boulette, D.Min.

Monday, March 7, 7 PM - "Lord, teach us to pray..." — Luke 11:1

It is a serious question why the disciples, faithful Jewish folks, needed to be taught to pray at all. Indeed they did, for there is a distinct way of prayer for the Christian disciple. We will first explore material from the Old Testament book of Nehemiah on Old Testament prayer and then move to a discussion of the meaning of the Lord's Prayer.



Tuesday, March 8, 7 PM - "I will break away and return to my father..." — Luke 15:18a This night we will examine in depth the story of the "Prodigal Son" and the nature of true reconciliation. It will reveal to us the desire of our God to forgive us and will enlighten us about just who is the real "prodigal" One. We will explore in detail the path of reconciliation.

Wednesday, March 9, 7 PM - "Do this in remembrance of me." — Luke 22:19b The stories of the origins of the Eucharist are truly important to us. The Eucharist is the place of reconciliation and nourishment for Luke. We will examine various meals at which Jesus ate in order to understand something of the fullness of this great sacrament for the Church.

BRING YOUR BIBLE! All presentations to be held in the church.

Born in Hudson Falls, New York, to French Canadian and Italian parents, Bishop Mike Boulette moved with his family to Fredericksburg, Texas at the age of nine. Called to the priesthood, he took his formation through Roman Catholic seminaries in the Archdiocese of San Antonio. He subsequently completed a Master of Theology degree at the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana. He also received Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Psychology from St. Mary and Trinity Universities in San Antonio, and a Doctor of Ministry degree in Preaching and Worship from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Austin, Texas.

He has served in pastoral ministry since 1976, with nine years as Director of Spiritual Formation at Assumption Seminary in San Antonio, and a total of 18 years as Pastor and Administrator at Notre Dame Catholic Church and School in Kerrville.

In 2004, he was commissioned to begin a new ministry for the Archdiocese of San Antonio, which was named St. Peter Upon the Water: A Center for Spiritual Direction and Formation. It is a place where people may find spiritual direction and a formation program for spiritual directors, also providing writings about spiritual issues and speakers for parish retreats and missions. In 2017, he accepted the call to become Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of San Antonio. He presently serves as Vicar General to the Archbishop and Moderator of the Curia to the Archbishop's staff.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13



Prayer for Married Couples

God our Father, we give you thanks for the gift of marriage: the bond of life and love, and the font of the family. The love of husband and wife enriches your Church with children, fills the world with a multitude of spiritual fruitfulness and service, and is the sign of the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, for his Church. The grace of Jesus flowed forth at Cana at the request of the Blessed Mother. May your Son, through the intercession of Mary, pour out upon us a new measure of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit as we join with all people of

good will to promote and protect the unique beauty of marriage. May your Holy Spirit enlighten our society to treasure the heroic love of husband and wife, and guide our leaders to sustain and protect the singular place of mothers and fathers in the lives of their children. Father, we ask that our prayers be joined to those of the Virgin Mary, that your Word may transform our service so as to safeguard the incomparable splendor of marriage. We ask all these things through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Source: usccb.org, website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

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RESPECT LIFE

Word of Life

"Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together."

— USCCB, Married Love and the Gift of Life

Palabra De Vida

"El amor matrimonial se distingue de cualquier otro amor en el mundo. Por su naturaleza, el amor del esposo y de la esposa es tan completo, tan ordenado a una vida completa de comunión con Dios y del uno con el otro, que está abierto para crear un nuevo ser humano, al que amarán y cuidarán juntos."

— USCCB, El amor matrimonial y el don de la vida



Intercessions for Life

For all married couples: may their openness to new life bear witness to the generous love of God. We pray to the Lord.

Intercesiones por la Vida

Por todas las parejas casadas: que su apertura a la nueva vida sea testimonio del generoso amor de Dios. Roguemos al Señor.

PARISH NEWS

St. Anthony Claret Knights of Columbus Council #10090 presents

"St. Anthony's Got Talent" EVENT

Saturday, March 26, 5:30 - 9 p.m.

Msgr. Hubertus Hall

FREE ADMISSION

Age categories: 0-12; 13-17; & 18+ Contestant registration fee: \$5

To pre-register, email your name, how many in your group, ages, phone number and your act details to council10090@gmail.com.

You will then receive further detailed instructions.



LECTOR TRAINING/FORMACIÓN LECTOR

Wednesday, Feb. 16, 7 p.m. in the church
Miércoles, 16 de Febrero, a las 7 p.m. en la iglesia
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PARISH NEWS



Ladies of St. Anthony Claret Meeting Sun., Feb. 20, 12 p.m. Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Guest speaker: Parish administrator Luis Astorga Topic: making funeral arrangements in our parish Ladies of the parish 18 years & older invited. Questions? Contact Darrelyn Kundinger at 661-619-5101.



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THE SUNDAY FUNNIES



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"So, what brings you
here today?"
Wife: "He takes
everything literally.
I can't stand it."
Husband: "My truck."







CYO Sports Registration

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- 3-year-olds (9/1/17-8/31/18) ONLY ALLOWED to play in the following division: Tot I division (soccer, winter basketball, & baseball)
- Playing down in any division IS NOT ALLOWED unless the child has a medical waiver from a doctor detailing why he/she should participate in a younger division. (Approved exception form from the CYO office required.)
- Children born on or after 9/1/2018 ARE NOT ALLOWED to participate during 2021-22 sports year.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

- Register online by credit card at https://reg.sportspilot.com/106369/leagues or scan QR code below.
- Registration fee: \$120, incl. jersey & baseball cap or softball visor; select sizing during registration.
- Players who need a partial uniform (i.e., cap no jersey, etc.) should select items and pay upon checkout.
- Players who do not need a uniform will not make a selection. Move on to checkout with \$90 registration fee.
- Families registering multiple players: select a "sibling discount option" for \$5 price reduction.
- Players must be registered parishioners or live within St. Anthony Mary Claret parish boundaries.
- Click on this link to validate if you are in SAC boundary: https://www.archsa.org/parishmapfinder.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SPRING SEASON:

- Registration closes Feb. 20; teams are formed Feb. 21.
- Practice can start once all teams have been formed and finalized with coaches who have passed background check and have a valid coach's certification.
- Practices are not set at this time, but will vary pending availability of head coach and location(s).
- If you'd like to coach, begin the certification process now. Learn more here: https://www.archsa.org/cyo/Coach-Certification
- Season starts Mar. 25; zone playoffs: May 24; city playoffs: May 31.

Questions? Email saccyoregistrar@gmail.com.



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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:





Joseph Duque

Rafael Lopez-Negroni

Prayer to Offer Communion for Priests Heavenly Father, for the glory of Your Holy Name, we offer You Jesus, the Incarnate Word, whom we have received in the Sacrament of His love, and in whom You are well pleased. Through Mary Immaculate, we offer ourselves, united with Christ, for the sanctification and increase of Your priests. Pour Your Divine Spirit upon them, grant them a great love for the Cross, and make fruitful their pastoral work. Amen.

- By Blessed Concepcion Cabrera

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

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Christella James George Vasquez **Maurice Flores** Tracey Kollmansberger Yolanda Barron **Tony Salinas** Alejandro De Luna Deacon Jerry Kozar Maggie Reyna Rocio Gibbs Fr. Patrick Martin Karina Hernandez Kelton Sweet, Jr. Joanna Sweet Javier Calderon

George Aldava Mary Helen Peterson 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.

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 13: Jer 17:5-8/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/ Lk 6:17, 20-26

Monday 14: Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13 Tuesday 15: Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21 Wednesday 16: Jas 1:19-27/Mk 8:22-26 Thursday 17: Jas 2:1-9/Mk 8:27-33 Friday 18: Jas 2:14-24, 26/Mk 8:34-9:1 Saturday 19: Jas 3:1-10/Mk 9:2-13 Sunday 20: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/ 1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

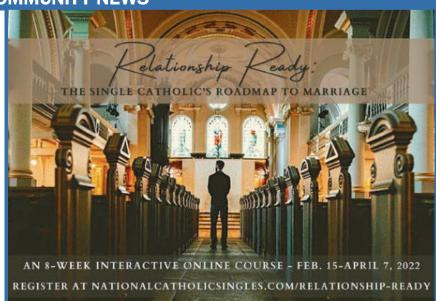
"Since Jesus has gone to Heaven now, J can only follow the traces He has left behind. But how bright these traces are! How fragrant and divine! I have only to glance at the Gospels; at once this fragrance from the life of Jesus reaches me, and I know which way to run: to the lowest, not the highest place!"

- St. Therese of Lisieux

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for more information and to register.





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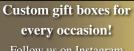
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