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Sunday of Divine Mercy

April 24, 2022

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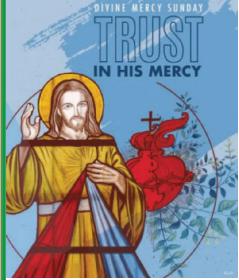
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Parish Mission Statement

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.



GOSPEL MEDITATION: JN 20:19-31

Even Thomas struggles to remove his boulder! Being very pragmatic and determined, he wants to see the risen Christ for himself! Thomas's boulder is heavy with mistrust. Many of ours are too. A certain amount of skepticism is good, as it can save us from being duped or misled. But we can become so skeptical of things that it erodes our ability to trust anything we see or hear. Skepticism can actually be a well-disguised defense mechanism that we use to prevent us from being hurt or perceived as a fool. Having too much ego protection is a real risk. Thomas, because of the boulder blocking his vision, could not even trust the word of his friends.

Boulders are hard to move. It's difficult to seek change or take a risk, especially when we are so afraid to be vulnerable or reluctant to trust another's word. When we are closed minded, overly

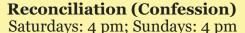
pragmatic, unwilling to see things in a different way, stubborn or defensive, it is difficult to be surprised by God and stretched. We need to be less guarded, self-assured, and self-absorbed. God cannot break into the ordinary moments of our lives and inspire us when we cling to doubt. If we are going to discover resurrection faith, we have to believe that what the witnesses say is true, especially when they are credible. We also have to trust that the risen Christ is alive in us, too!

While the first witnesses to the resurrection have faded into history, there are many others who have come after them. They continue to inspire by walking the talk of faith. They are the martyrs who offer their lives for the Gospel, the simple holy people in our communities who cling so steadfastly to their faith, those who have touched despair and found new hope and the ones who, even in spite of ridicule, still pursue their hunger and thirst for God.

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Celebration of the Mass

Monday: 8 am; 7:30 pm; Holy Hour 6:30 pm Tuesday - Friday: 8 am; Saturday Vigil Mass: 5 pm Sunday: 8 & 10 am; 12, 3 (Spanish), & 6 pm Holy Days of Obligation: Check inside bulletin for times.



Baptism - Required Class:

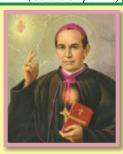
First Tuesday of the month, 7:30 pm. Call parish office to register.

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 pm.

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 pm.



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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

They are our friends, acquaintances, biblical heroes, and saints, and many others who are convinced that they have seen the Lord! The risen Christ may not surprise us with the same kind of visit as he did the first disciples, but God finds other ways. All we have to do is open our eyes, remove whatever is preventing us from seeing and believing and exclaim: "My Lord and my God!"



April 9/10 Attendance & Collection Totals

Attendance	3,199
Regular Collection	\$ 28,336.62
RE Bldg. Debt Reduction	\$ 6,419.99
SAMC Pantry	\$ 725.00
Church in the Holy Land	\$ 450.00
Candles	\$ 348.30
Capital Campaign	\$ 307.00
Home Missions	\$ 175.00
Easter	\$ 130.00
Gabriel Project	\$ 50.00
Rosary Makers	\$ 40.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 20.00
Anril 14 Attendance	850

April 14 Attendance 850 April 15 attendance 668

April 16/17 Attendance & Collection Totals

Attendance	4,400
Regular Collection	\$ 38,425.98
RE Bldg. Debt Reduction	\$ 5,539.00
Church in the Holy Land	\$ 3,486.86
Easter	\$ 950.00
SAMC Pantry	\$ 514.00
Candles	\$ 488.01
Gabriel Project	\$ 435.00
Rice Bowl	\$ 265.52
Capital Campaign	\$ 200.00
Home Missions	\$ 80.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 20.00
Church in Eastern/Central Europe	\$ 15.00
Black/Native Am. Missions	\$ 10.00

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

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5 PM BB* for Christopher Renfro by Family

Crisostomo De Guzman† by Daughter &

Taliman Family

Sunday, Apr. 24

12 PM

2 PM

8 AM For the Parish

10 AM Irma Ines Rivera Faina†; Martha Ivette

Sanchez† by Eduardo Faina & Family Jacob & Jason Serna† by Serna Family Benediction; Divine Mercy Novena ends

3 PM Good Health for Louis F. Gonzales II

by Family

6 PM BB* for Marita L. Martratt

by Jackson Family

Anniversary Blessings for David & Alexandria Guerrero by Family

Monday, Apr. 25

8 AM BB* for Jason T. Belisario

by Belisario Family

6:30 PM Holy Hour

7:30 PM For an End to Abortion

Tuesday, Apr. 26

8 AM BB* for Dylan Adderholdt

by Jeanette Erickson

Wednesday, Apr. 27

8 AM Ivan Rogelio Faina†, Maria Vicenta

Aneiro† & Rogelio Faina by Eduardo Faina

& Family

Thursday, Apr. 28

8 AM Albert Kossaeth† by Mary Kossaeth

Dick Jones† by Family

Friday, Apr. 29

8 AM BB* for Desmond Smith by Jeanette Erickson

Saturday, Apr. 30

5 PM Rodney & Ronald Villarreal†

by Espinoza Family

Sunday, May 1

8 AM Yolande Brown† by Connie Jones

10 AM Francesco†, Maria†, Carmela†, Corrado†,

Sebastiano†, & Giovanni† by Sal Spataro

12 PM Spec. Int. for Dcn. Tony Valdez by Family

3 PM For the Parish

6 PM BB* for Ann Fontejon by Henson &

Villanueva Families

ACTION GUIDE

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

INTRODUCTION

Each year, on the Second Sunday of Easter, the Church celebrates the Sunday of Divine Mercy. Mankind's need for the message of Divine Mercy took on dire urgency in the 20th century, when civilization began again to lose the understanding of the sanctity and inherent dignity of every human life.

The resources referenced in this action guide can be found at respectlife.org/action-guides, unless otherwise noted.

In the 1930s, Jesus chose a humble Polish nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, to receive private revelations concerning His Divine Mercy that were recorded in her *Diary*. St. Faustina's *Diary* records 14 occasions when Jesus requested that a Feast of Mercy be observed. On May 5, 2000, five days

after the canonization of St. Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as the Sunday of Divine Mercy.

Since the legalization of abortion in our country, millions of women, men, and families have been hurt by abortion. By the age of 45, as many as 1 in 3 women have had an abortion, and a similar number of men and family members have been involved. Many inaccurately feel that abortion is "the unforgivable sin." They need to hear that God forgives every sin of a repentant heart, even the sin of abortion.

The Sunday of Divine Mercy provides an important opportunity to share Christ's message of mercy, especially with those who have been wounded by abortion. Resources, including a sample timeline, homily helps, announcements, sample intercessions, and an activity are provided in this action guide to help you spread the message of Divine Mercy with those most in need of healing. You are encouraged to adapt these resources as needed to fit your specific circumstances. Free downloads and additional electronic resources can be found at respectlife.org/action-guides.



What is Project Rachel?

Project Rachel is the abortion healing ministry of the Catholic Church in the United States. It is a diocesan-based network of specially trained priests, religious, therapists, and laypersons who provide a team response of care for those suffering in the aftermath of abortion. In addition to referring for Sacramental Reconciliation, the ministry provides an integrated network of services, including pastoral counseling, spiritual direction, support groups, retreats, and referrals to licensed mental health professionals. For more information, contact your diocese or visit usccb.org/abortionhealing.

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PARISH NEWS

Ladies of St. Anthony Claret



Saturday, May 21, 6 PM
Msgr. Hubertus Hall
Tickets: \$12 for bunco & dinner
Tickets on sale after weekend Masses
now through May 15.
Silent auction & 50/50 raffle
will also be offered!

Daughters of God, you are invited to an encounter with our merciful Lord at the

Women's ACTS Retreat

May 26-29

Cordi Marian Retreat Center

For info or to register, contact Liz Quintanilla at 210-373-2043, Sonia Garcia at 210-391-1728 or Cindy Sheridan-Joyce at 210-379-7858.



May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to His call.

— Eph 1:18

Go and teach all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, until the end of the world.

— Mt 28: 19a, 20b



Smoked BBQ Plate Fundraiser
Sunday May 1, 9 am — 2 pm
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PARISH NEWS

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

July 18-22, 9 AM - 12 PM
Share your talents with your parish community!
VBS planning meeting:
Thursday, Apr. 28, 7 PM, RE bldg., Rm. 1002
Volunteers interested in or

considering assisting should attend.
Register first by scanning this QR code.
Ouestions?

Contact VBS Director Taylor Comeau at taylormarieroper@gmail.com.





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Al Pbro. De la Parroquia de: St. Anthony Mary Claret, San Antonio, Tx.

Hago saber: que ante mi se han presentado con el fin de contraer matrimonio canónico:



CESAR FLORES, de 37 años de edad, Divorciado, originario de Los Ángeles, California y vecino de Gral. Enrique Estrada, Zac., hijo legitimo de Antonio Flores y de Hermila Mojarro.



DULCE MARIA BANDA RODRIGUEZ, de 28 años de edad, Soltera, originaria y vecina de Gral. Enrique Estrada, Zac., hija legitima de Luis Humberto Banda Gómez y de Evangelina Rodríguez Rodríguez.

las informaciones recibidas resulto que: el contrayente es feligrés de su Parroquia, con domicilio en 13403 Bradford Glen, San Antonio,

En nombre de nuestra Madre la Santa Iglesia lo exhorto y de mi parte le suplico, tenga a bien disponer que el matrimonio de que se trata se publique según las disposiciones de la Santa Iglesia en la Parroquia de su digno cargo; y con el resultado de las publicaciones darme cuenta en tiempo consiguientes. Le promete que con gusto haré otro tanto, siempre que con igual o semejante motivo me sean presentadas sus respetables letras.

Dios Nuestro Señor guarde a ustedes muchos años.

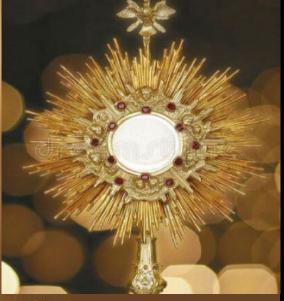
Parroquia de San Isidro Labrador, Gral. Enrique Estrada, Zac., a 25 de Marzo del 2022.

Pbro. Carios Francisco Pinedo Valenzuela

Holy Hour for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life with Bishop Gary W. Janak

Taste and See the goodness of the LC

Psalm 34:8



Friday, May 6 7-8 PM St. Mark the **Evangelist** Church 1602 Thousand Oaks Dr.



Vocation Office—Archdiocese of San Antonio

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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:





David Chacko

Ottmar Tovar

O Jesus, eternal High Priest, I pray for all seminarians, Your future priests. Give them humility, meekness, prudence, and a burning zeal for souls. Fill their hearts with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Teach them to know and love the Church, that they may always and everywhere speak, act, and think with her. Teach them generosity and detachment from the things of this world. But above all, teach them to know You and love You, the one and only eternal priest.

Good Shepherd of souls, hear this, my prayer for saintly priests. Amen.

– from "Prayers for Today," published by Leaflet Missal Co.

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

St. Anthony Claret Pantry Report: March 2022

Utility assistance: \$ 4,018.85
Restock food pantry: \$ 5,616.88
Other client assistance: \$ 1,483.32
Office expenses: \$ 227.47
Food bags distributed: 189
People served: 972
of home deliveries 50



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You may submit up to FOUR names at a time.
Names usually run for four weeks.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 24: Acts 5:12-16/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/ Jn 20:19-31

Monday 25: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20 Tuesday 26: Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15 Wednesday 27: Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21 Thursday 28: Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36 Friday 29: Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15 Saturday 30: Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21

Sunday 1: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19

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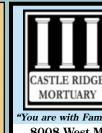
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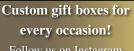
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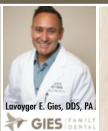
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