

# St. Anthony Mary Claret

## Roman Catholic Church

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May 8, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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### GOSPEL MEDITATION: JN 10:27-30

“Human beings, while capable of the worst, are also capable of rising above themselves, choosing again what is good, and making a new start.” (Pope Francis) We have a difficult time figuring out what is true and best for us. There are many voices talking and so many trying to get our attention. We wrongly convince ourselves that the true voice is the voice of progress, the one that speaks of contemporary wants and desires, enticing us with the latest trends and causes. We are taught, by listening to the voices around us, that truth is found in feelings and thought, and ideals must match current and popular human wants.

Because we feel a particular way it must be true. Then, we find a shepherd who empathizes with us and affirms us. We follow that voice even though listening to that voice will render us powerless and lead us to harm. There are many with me in this procession to this pasture. I must be on the right path and listening to the right voice.

We are very confused. What can keep us safe and from harm? Where do we go to find life, love, and happiness? Jesus tells us that he is the way, the truth, and the life. The only way to get to Truth, who is God, is through him. There is no other way. The Church, the gate around God’s pasture of life, is charged with the mission of directing us where God desires that we go. In the midst of all of the conflicting voices around us, the voice of truth is often muffled in all of the noise, but it beckons us to a life of virtue and grace. Helping us understand who we are and where we have to be, it discerns the voice of God, providing us with the safety net we need to stay straight on our path to life eternal.

We have to trust the voice of God, the true Shepherd, even when it does not mirror what we want and what others may believe. Faith goes way beyond feeling and involves a radical trust in Someone who can lead us and form us. At day’s end, if we do not know to find our way home, we will be truly lost.



### 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.

### Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays: 4 pm; Sundays: 4 pm

### Baptism - Required Class:

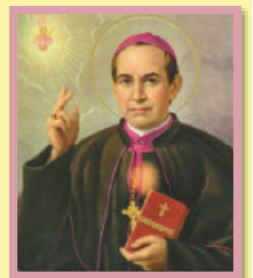
First Tuesday of the month, 7:30 pm. Call parish office to register.

**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.



### 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.

## IN OUR PARISH

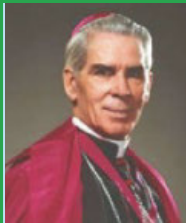
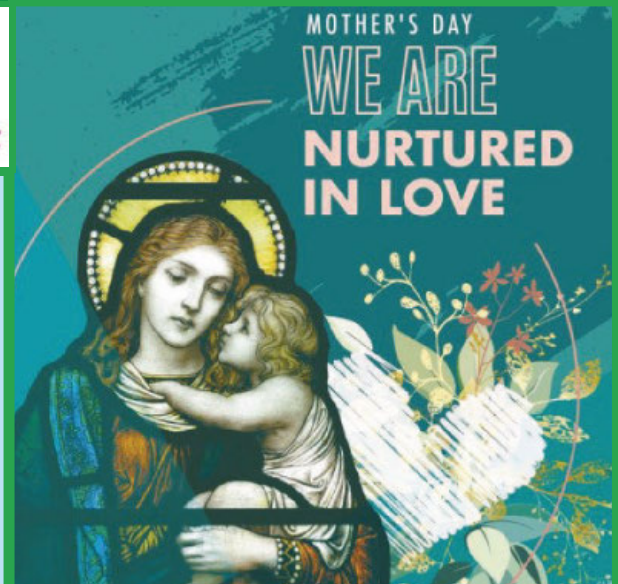


Welcome! As pastor of St. Anthony Mary Claret Catholic Church, I want to express welcome from all of us to you for choosing to become a member of our parish family. We hope you will always feel at home here and that our worship and other parochial services will fulfill your spiritual needs.

Please complete an online registration form at [samcsa.com](http://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

### May 7 & 8 Attendance & Collection Totals

<b>Attendance</b>	<b>2,545</b>
<b>Regular Collection</b>	<b>\$ 30,690.21</b>
<b>RE Bldg. Debt Reduction</b>	<b>\$ 8,409.99</b>
<b>SAMC Pantry</b>	<b>\$ 1,425.00</b>
<b>Home Missions</b>	<b>\$ 1,084.50</b>
<b>Gabriel Project</b>	<b>\$ 400.00</b>
<b>Candles</b>	<b>\$ 313.25</b>
<b>Church in the Holy Land</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
<b>Catholic Relief Services</b>	<b>\$ 25.00</b>
<b>Rosary Makers</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>
<b>Easter</b>	<b>\$ 5.00</b>



A woman is capable of more sustained sacrifice than a man. Man is more apt to be the hero in one great, passionate outburst of courage. But a woman is heroic through the years, months and even seconds of daily life, the very repetition of her toils giving them the semblance of the commonplace. Not only her days but her nights, not only her mind, but her body must share in the Calvary of Mothering. She, therefore, has a greater understanding of redemption than man, for she comes closer to death in bringing forth life.

– Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

<p><b>Saturday, May 7</b>  <b>8 AM</b> BB* for Jennifer Alvarez by Bea Alvarez  <b>5 PM</b> Joseph† &amp; Ella Kopech†; Joseph L. Stein†; Robert† &amp; Floranna Stein†; Richard Caldwell, Jr.† by Blanchard Family</p> <p><b>Sunday, May 8</b>  <b>8 AM</b> Marvin &amp; Mary Koler† by Family  <b>10 AM</b> Margaret† &amp; Albert Suarez†; Alan J. Ponce†; Healing for Anthony Ponce by Alma Ponce  <b>12 PM</b> For the Parish  <b>3 PM</b> Francisco Vasquez Valdez† &amp; Guadalupe Mendez† by Daughter  <b>6 PM</b> BB* for Irene Lemus by Mary Macias                  Albert Lesko† by Family</p> <p><b>Monday, May 9</b>  <b>8 AM</b> Maria Viramontes† by Daughter Mayra Viramontes                  6:30 PM Holy Hour  <b>7:30 PM</b> Spiritual Strength for Rosemary &amp; Richard Mendoza by Louis Martinez &amp; Fam.</p> <p><b>Tuesday, May 10</b>  <b>8 AM</b> Lois Mendoza† by Mendoza Family                  All Who have Left the Church &amp; the Sacraments by Emma Ortiz</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, May 11</b>  <b>8 AM</b> BB* for Carley Macias by Mary Macias                  Norman &amp; Mary Danheiser† by Family</p> <p><b>Thursday, May 12</b>  <b>8 AM</b> Michelle Reynolds† &amp; Family                  by Connie Jones</p> <p><b>Friday, May 13</b>  <b>8 AM</b> BB* for Oscar Alvarez by Bea Alvarez</p> <p><b>Saturday, May 14</b>  <b>5 PM</b> BB* for Bessie Henson by Henson &amp; Villanueva Families</p> <p><b>Sunday, May 15</b>  <b>8 AM</b> BB* for Julian T. Belisario by Belisario Family                  BB* for Leslie Wessel by Bea Peterson                  BB* for Gabriel T. Guerrero by Guerrero Family  <b>12 PM</b> Nat Gibbs† by Gibbs Family  <b>3 PM</b> For the Parish  <b>6 PM</b> BB* for Jalen Smith by Jeanette Erickson</p>
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\* BB = Birthday Blessings



## MARRIAGE &amp; FAMILY LIFE

**HOMILY OF JOHN PAUL II for the  
JUBILEE OF FAMILIES - Part 2 of 3**

Sunday 15 October 2000

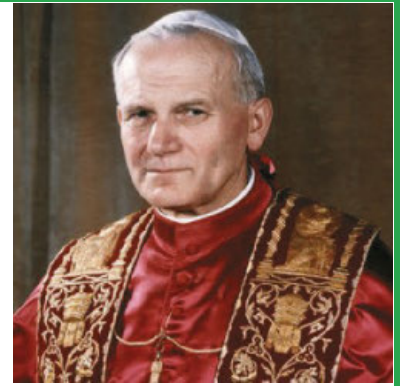
4. *From the beginning!* Only he, Jesus, knows the Father "from the beginning" and also knows man "from the beginning". He both reveals the Father and reveals man to himself (cf. *Gaudium et spes*, n. 22). For this reason, following in his footsteps, the Church has the task of bearing witness in history to this original plan and of showing its truth and feasibility.

In doing so she does not hide the difficulties and tragedies which concrete historical experience records in the life of families. But she also knows that God's will, wholeheartedly accepted and fulfilled, is not a chain that enslaves, but *the condition for a true freedom which achieves its fullness in love*. The Church also knows - and our daily experience confirms it - that when this original plan is obscured in consciences, incalculable harm is done to society.

Certainly, there are difficulties. But Jesus provided married couples with sufficient means of grace to overcome them. By his will marriage has acquired, in the baptized, *the value and power of a sacramental sign*, which strengthens its characteristics and prerogatives. For in sacramental marriage the spouses - as the young couples whose marriages I will bless will shortly be doing - commit themselves to expressing to each other and to bearing witness before the world to the *powerful and indissoluble love with which Christ loves the Church*. It is a "great mystery", as the Apostle Paul calls it (cf. *Eph 5: 32*).

5. *"May the Lord, the source of life, bless you!"*. God's blessing is at the origin not only of marital communion, but also of a *responsible and generous openness to life*. Children really are the "springtime of the family and society", as the motto of your Jubilee says. It is in children that marriage blossoms: they crown that total partnership of life ("*totius vitae consortium*": *CIC, can. 1055, 1*), which makes husband and wife "one flesh"; this is true both of the children born from the *natural relationship* of the spouses and those desired through *adoption*. Children are not an "accessory" to the project of married life. They are not an "option", but a "supreme gift" (*Gaudium et spes*, n. 50), inscribed in the very structure of the conjugal union. The Church, as you know, teaches an *ethic of respect for this fundamental structure* in both its unitive and procreative meaning. In all this, it expresses the proper regard for God's plan, sketching an image of conjugal relations that are marked by mutual and unreserved acceptance. Above all, it addresses the right of children to be born and to grow in a context of fully human love. In conforming to the word of God, families thus become a school of humanization and true solidarity.

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## PARISH SYNOD LISTENING SESSIONS

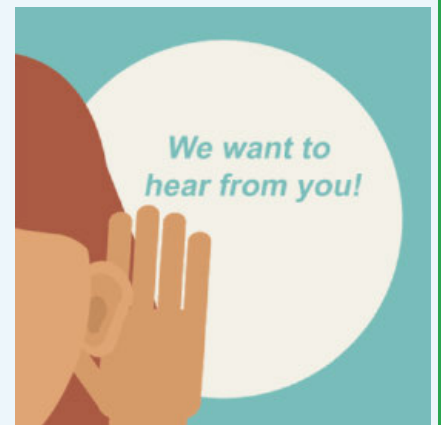
A synod is a means of gathering information on each particular theme from local churches. Attendees are invited to listen with open hearts and minds, to share from their own lived experiences, and to make space for the voices of those often marginalized or excluded.

The current Synod on Synodality is a two-year process of listening and dialogue beginning with a solemn opening in Rome on Oct. 9 and 10, 2021. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to reflect on a theme that is decisive for its life and mission: "It is precisely this path of synodality which God expects of the Church of the third millennium." (Learn more about the synodal process by visiting the Vatican Synod website.)

**The theme of this Synod is For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission.**

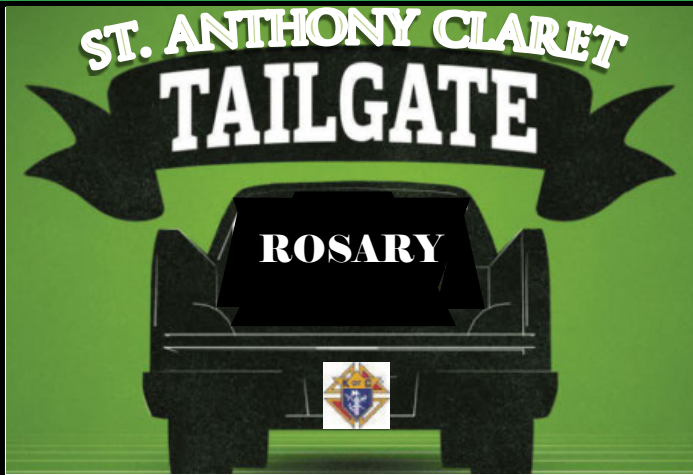
The three dimensions are *communion, participation, and mission*. These are interrelated—each of them enriches and orients the other two. There is a dynamic relationship between them; when one is articulated, all three must be kept in mind.

- **COMMUNION**: Together, we are inspired by listening to the Word of God, through the living Tradition of the Church, and grounded in the sense of the faith that we all share. We all have a role to play in discerning and living out God's call for his people.
- **PARTICIPATION**: This is a call for the involvement of all who belong to the People of God—laity, consecrated and ordained—to engage in the exercise of deep and respectful listening to one another.
- **MISSION**: The Church exists to evangelize. Our mission is to witness to the love of God in the midst of the whole human family.



The last parish listening sessions are **Thursday, May 12, 7 pm** and **Tuesday, May 24, 7 pm** in Msgr. Hubertus Hall. To attend, complete a card (found in the narthex) or email the parish office at [saclaret@saclaret.com](mailto:saclaret@saclaret.com)

PARISH NEWS



Presented by  
 SAC Knights of Columbus Council 10090  
**Tuesday May 17, 7 PM**  
 followed by fellowship hour  
 Parking lot by pavilion

Bring your family, rosary & lawn chairs  
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 council10090@gmail.com.



**Vacation Bible School (VBS)**

July 18-22, 9 AM - 12 PM

*Volunteers, donations & supplies needed!*

Scan the QR code to learn how you can help.

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



**Silver Seniors  
 Spring Luncheon**

**Wed., May 18, 12-2:30 pm**

Doors open at 11:30 am.

**Msgr. Hubertus Hall**

**Open to ages 55 & over.**



**RSVP NO LATER THAN Friday, May 13.**  
**To RSVP or for more info,**  
**contact Larry Lucido at 210-473-4813.**



Ladies of St. Anthony Claret

**BUNCO  
 NIGHT**



**FUNDRAISER**

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 available!

**This Week in Our Parish**  
**Quinceañeras**  
 Isabella Martinez



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

**EXTENDED DEADLINE!**

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 Facebook page, website ([samcsa.com](http://samcsa.com)) or picked up in the church narthex. Completed application packet

**EXTENDED DEADLINE!**

must be MAILED IN to the parish office and  
**postmarked by Friday, May 13, 2022.**

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**RESPECT LIFE****Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Life**

*The Response is: Mary, pray for us.*

Mary, Mother of all Life, help us to respect human life from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death. R.

Mary, Mother of Compassion, you showed us how valuable a single life can be. Help us to guard and protect the lives of all people entrusted to our care. R.

Mary, Mother of the Child Jesus, with St. Joseph you formed the Holy Family. Guard and protect all families in this earthly life; R.

Mary, Mother Most Holy, you sanctified the vocation of motherhood. Pour out your heavenly aid on all mothers and help them to be holy. R.

Mary, Mother of Sorrows, Simeon's prophecy foretold that a sword of suffering would pierce your heart. Bring comfort and hope to all mothers who suffer over their children. R.

Mary, Full of Grace, you had a choice in responding to God's call. Help us always to say "Yes" to the will of God in our lives, and strive always to do whatever he tells us. R.

Mary, Comforter of the Afflicted, pour forth your heavenly grace on all who are in need of God's healing, especially those involved in abortion. Help them to experience the love and mercy of Christ, your Son. R.

Mary, Intercessor and Advocate, we lift up the poor, the displaced, the marginalized and vulnerable members of society. Help them to never abandon hope, but to place their trust in the God who gave them life. R.

Mary, Mother of the Word Incarnate, you bore in your womb him whom the heavens cannot contain. Help us to bear witness to Christ by the example of our lives and show the world the extravagant love of God. R.

All: Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, we fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, our Mother. To you we come, before you we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer them. Amen.

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**Intercessions for Life**

For all mothers: that they may be encouraged and supported as they live out this special vocation. We pray to the Lord.

**Intercesiones por la Vida**

Por todas las madres: para que reciban aliento y apoyo mientras viven esta vocación especial. Roguemos al Señor.

**GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY/WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

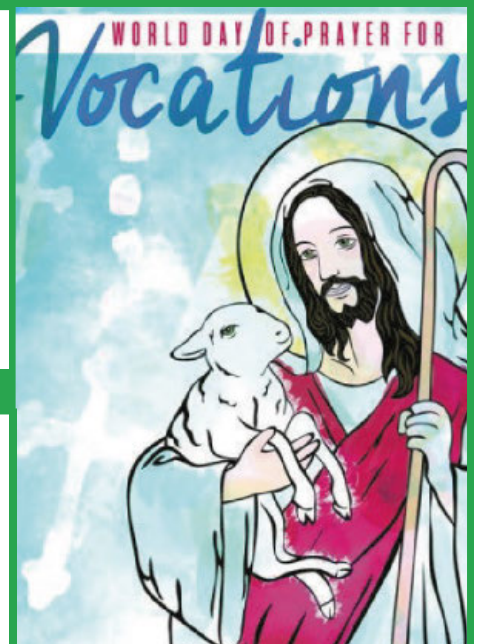
*This weekend we observe Good Shepherd Sunday.*

*It is also World Day of Prayer for Vocations.*

The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2).

It is also a day to focus on Jesus' role as shepherd of souls and our role of following his voice wherever he goes.

Please pray that more young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood and religious life.

**THE SUNDAY FUNNIES**

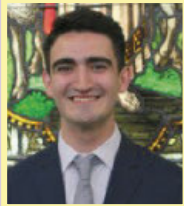
I saw my math teacher with a piece of graph paper yesterday.

I think he must be plotting something.

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:



Diego Castellanos



Luis De La Cruz

Lord Jesus, Eternal High Priest, grant these seminarians the wisdom and grace they need in their formation. Help them to grow in holiness and integrity for service to your people as their future priests. Guide them in their studies, deepen their life of prayer, and sustain them in the difficult moments they face. Through the intercession of our Lady of Guadalupe and St. Anthony of Padua, we entrust these men to You, who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

- Vocation Office Archdiocese of San Antonio

We also commend to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: Religious of Mary Immaculate



- List of names for prayer: Alyson Oviedo, Rosie Parrilla, Ian Oviedo, Tracy Oviedo, Jenny Gonzalez, Ron Pederson, Marisol Garduno, Lorenzo, Vanessa, Amelia & Mallory Macias, Rachel Delgado, George Vasquez, Maurice Flores, Tracey Kollmansberger, Yolanda Barron, Tony Salinas, Alejandro De Luna, Deacon Jerry Kozar, Maggie Reyna, Fr. Patrick Martin, Karina Hernandez, Kelton Sweet, Jr., Joanna Sweet, Javier Calderon, George Aldaya, Mary Helen Peterson, Maria Morales, Rosa Huerta, Barbara Vanegas, A.C. Garza, Manuel & Eloise Salazar, Javier & Mary Bautista, Olga Faz, Bishop Yanta, Jim & 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.

PARISH NEWS



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

Ladies of St. Anthony Claret Religious Items Sale THIS WEEKEND!

Check out their great gift selection after all Masses. Thank you for supporting the good work they do for our parish.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 8: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/ Jn 10:27-30

Monday 9: Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday 10: Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday 11: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday 12: Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20

Friday 13: Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday 14: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17

Sunday 15: Acts 14:21-27/Rv 21:1-5a/ Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35



SEGUIR

"Yo las conozco y ellas me siguen".

JUAN 10, 27





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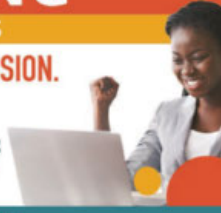
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