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July 17, 2022

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Rev. Dr. Jan P. Klak, Ph.L., S.T.L., Ph.D.

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Rev. Tu Nguyen

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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.



God is sometimes more important. Creating homes that are welcoming environments requires not only organization and structure but members who truly enjoy being there and celebrating life with one another.

Details can often get the best of us. While attending to details is important to success, our obsession with them can be problematic. Whether wanting to make a good impression, fear of failure, insecurity, or emotional immaturity, throwing ourselves into the "details" of hospitality can distract us from being present to those we want to serve. Conversely, focusing exclusively on being present without any attention to detail also sets our attempts at hospitality up for disaster! We need a balance of both. But creating a truly welcoming space in our homes and within ourselves requires still more.

We have to be empty of ourselves. Becoming a welcoming, hospitable person is not possible in someone focused on their own needs and desires. If the one we serve is the one who looks back at us in the mirror, then there is no space for anyone else. While Martha and Mary had different ideas of what it means to serve, they both had the inner space and free-

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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.

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays: 4 pm; Sundays: 4 pm

Baptism - Required Class:

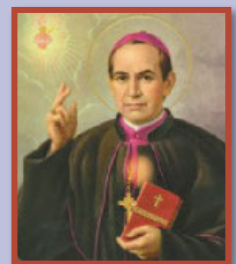
First Tuesday of the month, 7:30 pm. Call parish office to register.

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.



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

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dom to do so. They were detached from themselves. Detachment becomes the challenge to hospitality and creating a God-centered, open-hearted space in our lives. When we impulsively act out of our personal agendas, violence, abuse, pride, greed, lust, power, control, passion, and self-aggrandizement encroach upon the space needed to be present to another human being. Not only can others not find a home in us, but even God cannot find a home in us!

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"If I am distracted, Holy Communion helps me to become recollected. If opportunities are offered by each day to offend my God, I arm myself anew each day for the combat by the reception of the Eucharist. If I am in special need of light and prudence in order to discharge my burdensome duties, I draw nigh to my Savior and seek counsel and light from him." -St. Thomas More

July 9/10 attendance & collection totals

Attendance	2,635
Regular Collection	\$ 26,017.59
RE Bldg. Debt Reduction	\$ 5,694.98
SAMC Pantry	\$ 1,156.00
Gabriel Project	\$ 620.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 365.00
Candles	\$ 350.81
Rosary Makers	\$ 135.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 50.00



WARNING: Some parishioners have received emails requesting help or donations and falsely claiming to be from Fr. Jan.

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MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, July 16

5 PM Joseph† & Ella Kopech†; Joseph L. Stein†; Robert† & Floranna Stein†; Richard Caldwell, Jr.† by Blanchard Family

Sunday, July 17

8 AM Spec. Int.: Liliana & Vanessa Valenzuela, Adrian Gutierrez & David Cartwright by Louis Martinez & Family
William Houston† by Wife Bernice Houston
10 AM Francesco†, Maria†, Carmela†, Corrado†, Sebastiano†, & Giovanni† by Sal Spataro
12 PM Leonor & Manuel Murillo† by Family
3 PM Georgina Cantu† by Grandfather
6 PM Angel Canosa† by St. Anthony Claret Legion of Mary & Erlinda Teves

Monday, July 18

8 AM John Oswald† by Wife & Niece
6:30 PM Holy Hour
7:30 PM Michelle Reynolds† & Family by Connie Jones

Tuesday, July 19

8 AM For the Parish

Wednesday, July 20

8 AM Jimmy Bautista†; D.M. Salas†; Jenny Garza† by Rick & Sandy Salinas
Zorayda Salli† by Lagura Family

Thursday, July 21

8 AM BB* for Anna Shearer by Bea Peterson
Shelly Andrews† by Family & Friends

Friday, July 22

8 AM Charles Kozar† by Dcn. Jerry & Pat Kozar

Saturday, July 23

5 PM Mary Kay Davidson† by Lenna Gregorio
Mandy Francisco† by Lagura & Francisco Families

Sunday, July 24

8 AM BB* for Andrea Fernandes by Family
10 AM Margaret† & Albert Suarez†; Alan J. Ponce†; Healing for Anthony Ponce by Alma Ponce
12 PM Joe B. Alcantar† by Family
3 PM Rafael Cortez† by Emma Ortiz
6 PM Souls in Purgatory† by Mary Macias
Elvira Gonzales† by Louis Gonzales

* BB = Birthday Blessings

THE EUCHARIST

**“Take; this is
my body”**

—Mark 14:22

The presence of Christ in the Eucharist is real, true, and substantial.

“Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love.” (St. John Paul II, *Dominicae cenae*, no. 3)

“It is called: Eucharist, because it is an action of thanksgiving to God.” (CCC, no. 1328)

Eucharist “makes present the one sacrifice of Christ the Savior.” (CCC, no. 1330)



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What is the Eucharist?

The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. The term “Eucharist” originates from the Greek word *eucharistia*, meaning thanksgiving.

In the celebration of the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and the instrumentality of the priest. The whole Christ is truly present—body, blood, soul, and divinity—under the appearances of bread and wine, the glorified Christ who rose from the dead. This is what the Church means when she speaks of the “Real Presence” of Christ in the Eucharist.

Where is the Eucharist mentioned in the Bible?

The Lord Jesus, on the night before he suffered on the cross, shared one last meal with his disciples. During this meal our Savior instituted the sacrament of his Body and Blood. He did this in order to perpetuate the sacrifice of the Cross throughout the ages and to entrust to the Church a memorial of his death and resurrection. The Institution of the Eucharist is written down in the four Gospels below:

**Matthew 26:26-30 Mark 14:22-26 Luke 22:14-20
John 6:22-59 (The Bread of Life Discourse)**

Why does Jesus give himself to us as food and drink?

Jesus gives himself to us in the Eucharist as spiritual nourishment because he loves us. By eating the

Body and drinking the Blood of Christ in the Eucharist, we become united to the person of Christ through his humanity. “Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him” (Jn 6:56). In being united to the humanity of Christ, we are at the same time united to his divinity. Our mortal and corruptible natures are transformed by being joined to the source of life.

Is the Eucharist a symbol?

The transformed bread and wine are truly the Body and Blood of Christ and are not merely symbols. When Christ said “This is my body” and “This is my blood,” the bread and wine are transubstantiated. Though the bread and wine appear the same to our human faculties, they are actually the real body and blood of Jesus.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Liturgy of the Eucharist begins with the preparation of the gifts and the altar. As the ministers prepare the altar, representatives of the people bring forward the bread and wine that will become the Body and Blood of Christ. The celebrant blesses and praises God for these gifts and places them on the altar, the place of the Eucharistic sacrifice. In addition to the bread and wine, monetary gifts for the support of the Church and the care of the poor may be brought forward. The Prayer over the Offerings concludes this preparation and disposes all for the Eucharistic Prayer.

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Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. . . . Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. (Jn 6:53-57)

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The Eucharistic Prayer

The Eucharistic Prayer is the heart of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. In this prayer, the celebrant acts in the person of Christ as head of his body, the Church. He gathers not only the bread and the wine, but the substance of our lives and joins them to Christ's perfect sacrifice, offering them to the Father.

The introductory dialogue establishes that this prayer is the prayer of the baptized and ordained, is offered in the presence of God, and has thanksgiving as its central focus. Following this dialogue, the celebrant begins the Preface, which consists of four different Eucharistic Prayers. After these prayers, communion is then given.

The following timeline follows the traditional Liturgy of the Eucharist:

- Presentation of the Gifts and Preparation of the Altar
- Prayer over the Offering
- Eucharistic Prayer
 - Preface
 - Holy, Holy, Holy
 - First half of prayer, including Consecration
 - Mystery of Faith
 - Second half of prayer, ending with Doxology
- The Lord's Prayer
- Sign of Peace
- Lamb of God
- Communion
- Prayer after Communion



Conclusion

By his Real Presence in the Eucharist Christ fulfils his promise to be with us "always, until the end of the age" (Mt 28:20). As St. Thomas Aquinas wrote, "It is the law of friendship that friends should live together. . . . Christ has not left us without his bodily presence in this our pilgrimage, but he joins us to himself in this sacrament in the reality of his body and blood" (Summa Theologiae, III q. 75, a. 1). With this gift of Christ's presence in our midst, the Church is truly blessed. As Jesus told his disciples, referring to his presence among them, "Amen, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it" (Mt 13:17). In the Eucharist the Church both receives the gift of Jesus Christ and gives grateful thanks to God for such a blessing. This thanksgiving is the only proper response, for through this gift of himself in the celebration of the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine Christ gives us the gift of eternal life.

For Further Reading

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THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

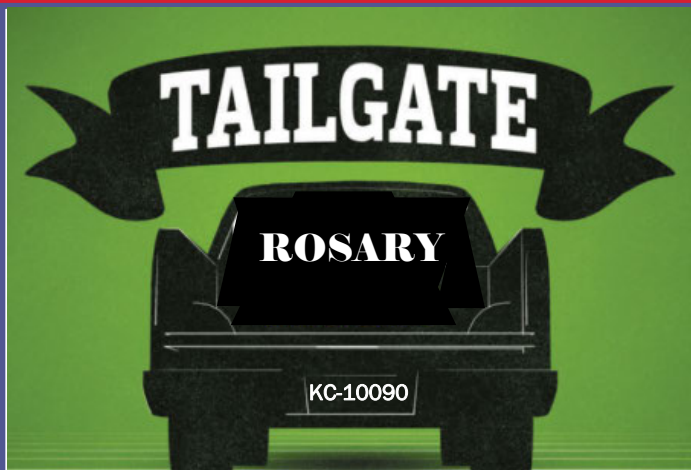


To try to annoy me,
my daughter has been
repeating everything I
say. Rather than taking
the bait and getting
frustrated, I've begun
reciting the Nicene
Creed. I call it
copycatechesis!

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PARISH NEWS



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*You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do
not expect, the Son of Man will come. - Luke 12:40*

*Please note retreat dates have changed.



Silver Seniors Luncheon

Wed., July 20, 12:30-3:30 PM
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For info,
contact Larry
Lucido at
210-473-4813.



St. Anthony Claret Pantry Report: June 2022

Utility assistance:	\$ 3,573.50
Restock food pantry:	\$ 4,414.71
Other client assistance:	\$ 2,821.00
Office expenses:	\$ 887.35
# Food bags distributed:	350
# People served:	1,077
# of home deliveries	51



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COMMUNITY NEWS



"Coping with Life Alone in the Beginning"

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Saturday, July 30, 8:30 AM – 4 PM; Cost: \$40

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Intended for those whose loss is new and/or for those not ready for a Beginning Experience Weekend. Focuses on the grief process, changes in family and other relationships, trust, and coping with memories of the deceased spouse or dealing with the former spouse. Participants bring their own lunches; drinks and snacks provided. For info or to register, contact Barbara at (210) 724-9269. If no answer, leave message.

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:



Edgar Hernandez



Man Nguyen

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Padre Nuestro, te damos gracias por llamar a hombres y mujeres a servir en el Reino de tu Hijo como sacerdotes, diáconos y personas consagradas. Manda tu Santo Espíritu para ayudar a que otros respondan con generosidad y valentía a tu llamado. Que nuestra comunidad de fe apoye las vocaciones de amor sacrificial en nuestros jóvenes y jóvenes adultos. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo quien vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos. Amen.

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Jack White	George Aldaya
Stoltz Family	Mary Helen Peterson
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Bill Phinzy	Rosa Huerta
Catherine Smith	Barbara Vanegas
Rachel Delgado	A.C. Garza
George Vasquez	Manuel Salazar
Maurice Flores	Javier & Mary Bautista
Tracey Kollmansberger	Olga Faz
Yolanda Barron	Bishop Yanta
Tony Salinas	Jim & Nancy Souhrada
Alejandro De Luna	Bill Jennings
Deacon Jerry Kozar	Dee Hancock
Maggie Reyna	Linda Santos
Fr. Patrick Martin	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 17: Gn 18:1-10a/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

Monday 18: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday 19: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday 20: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday 21: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Mt 13:10-17

Friday 22: Sg 3:1-4b/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Saturday 23: Jer 7:1-11/Mt 13:24-30

Sunday 24: Gn 18:20-32/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13



The parish community mourns the loss of parishioner **William Houston** who recently

passed away. We offer our deepest condolences to his family and in particular to his wife, **Bernice**. *Incline Your ear, O Lord, unto our prayers. We humbly ask that You show Your mercy to the soul of Your servant William whom You have commanded to pass out of this world, that You would place him in the region of peace and light, and bid him be a partaker with Your saints. Please grant his loved ones comfort, love and peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

COMMUNITY NEWS

Catholic Schoolhouse, a local homeschool co-op, is registering for the 2022-23 academic year at St. Anthony Claret.



The structured program meets weekly for pre-K-12th grades. Includes a community atmosphere based on the virtues of the Holy Family, field trips, science experiments, art projects, and socializing. We offer special education. For info, contact Alexandra

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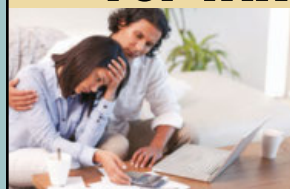
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