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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 25, 2022

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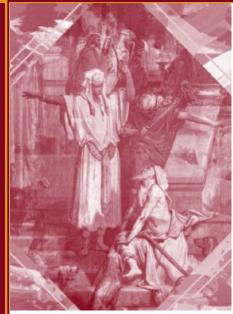
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Parish Mission Statement

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: LK 16:19-31

"If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead." Regardless of how the message of faith is received, a total conversion of mind and heart is needed for it to take root and have meaning. It is easy to become complacent and comfortable with all that life can afford us. Life can become "all about me," preserving my livelihood and protecting my securities. Often, this drive can become so strong that we eagerly strive to protect our self-interests at the expense of others. Other people are necessary only to the extent that they are "useful" to us and profitable.

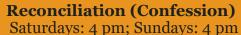
Merriam-Webster defines entitlement as "the belief that one is deserving of or entitled to certain privileges." In a world that pretends to offer us so many necessities, this is perhaps the greatest contemporary sin. When we feel "entitled" to something, even if it is perceived necessary, our relationships

can get skewed. Unless we adopt a global vision of entitlement wherein everyone is entitled to the same things, we risk becoming extremely self-focused and selfish. All we care about is defending our rights and protecting our turf. This impulse can be so strong that we pursue it even at the expense of another. Is this what God intends for his children?

Holding on to this myopic vision, the plight and station of others are off our radar and of no real concern to us. Relying on our own merits and becoming resilient to life's challenges, we replace the true and real God with the one we created ourselves. Jesus and the prophets before him have consistently reminded us of the dangers of wealth, ignoring the poor and the needy, and becoming too fiercely independent and arrogant. Yet, we conduct our lives as if that message has never been preached. We give our faith a nod and (Cont'd on p. 2)

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:

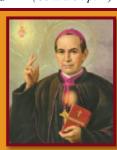
First Tuesday of the month, 7:30 pm. Call parish office to register.

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 Thursday 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 Thursday of March or August 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

never consider for a moment that we may be wrong in terms of what we see as important. "The things that we love tell us what we are" (attributed to St. Thomas Aquinas). Ponder those words a bit and remember that when we leave this world and go to the next one, what we loved here is what we will look for there. What we sought here may not be there.



St. Anthony Mary Claret First Saturday Mass & Devotions

Saturday, Oct. 1 Mass: 8 AM followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, rosary & consecration prayers

Hora Santa Bilingüe para Las Vocaciones **Bilingual Holy Hour for Vocations**

el jueves, 6 de octubre Misa/Mass: 7:30 PM Thursday, Oct, 6, 6:30 PM



Sept. 17/18 attendance & collection totals

Attendance	3,032
Regular Collection	\$ 29,732.86
RE Bldg. Debt Reduction	\$ 4,733.99
SAMC Pantry	\$ 825.00
Gabriel Project	\$ 390.00
Candles	\$ 336.43
Capital Campaign	\$ 200.00
Rosary Makers	\$ 30.00

Priest, leader, servant, friend. Father Tu Nguyen, as our parochial vicar, you were all this and more to our parish. Though we say goodbye to you this week as you, in obedience, move on to another assignment, be assured that you remain in our hearts, in our minds and in our prayers. May you continue to be sustained by God's grace and may your life in His service always be filled with joy.

We look forward to you returning to visit us.

The Lord bless you and keep you! The Lord let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace! - Num 6: 24-26



MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, Sept. 24 **5 PM Deceased Members of Chaffin & Rivas**

Families† by Mary & Jerry

Living & Deceased† Members of Houston & Karpovage Families by Houston Family

Sunday, Sept. 25

8 AM *BB for Clarissa Carvalho by Family

10 AM Michelle Reynolds† & Family

by Connie Jones

12 PM Tina Marie Reves Falcon†

by William Reyes Family

3 PM For the Parish

6 PM Jeffrey Hockert† by David & Margaret

Hockert

Monday, Sept. 26

8 AM Marge Graf† by Mary Campa

6:30 PM Holy Hour

7:30 PM For an End to Abortion

Tuesday, Sept. 27

8 AM Jose Archuleta† by Family

Wednesday, Sept. 28

8 AM Good Health for Louis F. Gonzales II by Norma Gonzales

Thursday, Sept. 29

8 AM Philip Ancharski† by Jeanette Erickson

Friday, Sept. 30

8 AM Elvira Gonzales† by Louis Gonzales

Saturday, Oct. 1

8 AM Michelle Reynolds† & Family

by Connie Jones

5 PM Joseph† & Ella Kopech†; Joseph L. Stein†;

> Robert† & Floranna Stein†; Richard Caldwell, Jr.† by Blanchard Family

Sunday, Oct. 2

8 AM For the Parish

10 AM Joe V. Uriegas† & Lisa Ann Alaniz†

by Family

12 PM Aurelia Fleras Centeno†

by Priscilla Velasquez

3 PM **Conversion of Guillermo Ortiz**

by Emma Ortiz

6 PM *BB for Jenny Dumont by Dave Dumont

*BB = Birthday Blessings

RESPECT LIFE

We will help you remember and honor your deceased loved ones.

The parish Respect Life Ministry was unable to obtain memorial bricks this year. However, you may submit the names of your deceased loved ones to all souls rlm22@gmail.com before Oct. 12. They will be included in the All Souls' Day Mass and procession.





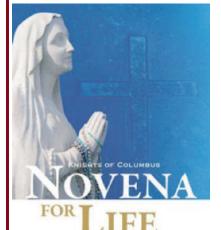
Spiritual Adoption Corner

If you signed up for the Respect Life ministry's spiritual adoption program, here's your update.

Congratulations! You are expecting! During these first several weeks much is happening. By week 6 your sweet baby's nose, mouth, and ears are developing and a heartheat can be heard. Continue to pray for this spiritual child.



Faith in Action: Pray a Novena for Life



Our parish's Knights of Columbus Council 10090 and Respect Life Ministry invite you to participate in a personal novena for life Oct. 2 – Oct. 10.

How to participate:

Each day beginning Sunday, Oct. 2, personally dedicate 20 minutes to pray for the protection of life. Then, join us Monday, Oct. 10, for Holy Hour at 6:30 PM and Mass at 7:30 PM dedicated to the sanctity of life. Novena prayer handouts will be available in the narthex.

COMMUNITY PRO-LIFE NEWS

America After Roe: New Challenges & Opportunities Conference

Saturday, Oct. 1, 11 AM-1 PM Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church

15415 Red Robin Rd., Common Room, 2nd floor, gym entrance

Speakers & topics include:

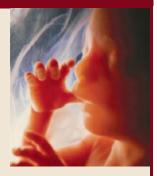
Allan E. Parker, Jr., Esq., The Justice Foundation

- Current state of alternatives to abortion in Texas

Fr. Will Combs, pastor, St. Mary Magdalen Church

- Pastoral care in the post-Roe era

Roundtable discussion with Tere Haring, Executive Director, Allied Women's Center; Cathy Nix, Executive Director, San Antonio Coalition for Life; & Galaxy Acton, President, Students for Life at UTSA For info, contact Phil Sevilla, Culture of Life Ministry, at 210-784-0518.



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PARISH NEWS

Ladies of St. Anthony Claret



Saturday, Oct. 22
Dinner: 6:30 PM Bunco: 7 PM
Msgr. Hubertus Hall
Tickets: \$12 for bunco & dinner
Tickets on sale after
weekend Masses
now through Oct. 16.*

*No tickets will be sold Oct. 1 & 2.

NOW HIRING!

Our parish is seeking a part-time sacristan/liturgical coordinator. Interested? Contact the parish office at 210-688-9033.



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BAPTISM CLASS

Tuesday, Oct. 4, 7:30 PM RE Bldg., 1st floor





MINSTERS OF HOSPITALITY NEEDED!

Become the face of the parish as you greet, seat and guide parishioners during Holy Communion. If you're at least 16 years old and want to join this essential ministry, contact Vickie Wood at vLwood64@yahoo.com.

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it.

– Hebrews 13:2

COMMUNITY PRO-LIFE NEWS

35th National Life Chain

Sunday, Oct. 2, 12:30-3:30 PM 11:30 AM: Pick up signs in old Sears parking lot 12 PM: live band 12:30-1:00 PM: March for Life

1:15-1:45 PM: Opening prayer ceremonies 2-3 pm: Human LIFE CHAIN

San Pedro Avenue Grassy Knoll

(Just inside Loop 410 on San Pedro Ave.; human chain will extend to Basse Rd.)

Baby diapers and wipes sizes 3, 4 & 5 are requested.

Visit www.LifeChainSA.com for more info.

LIFE CHAIN is a peaceful, prayerful and public witness of pro-life Americans standing to celebrate, honor and respect human life, born & preborn. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that abortion kills children and that the church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death.





Pray a living rosary with the Legion of Mary in October!

Saturday Oct. 1, after 5 PM Mass: Joyful Mysteries Sunday Oct. 9, after 8 AM Mass: Luminous Mysteries Sunday Oct. 16, after 10 AM Mass: Sorrowful Mysteries Sunday Oct. 23, after 12 PM Mass: Glorious Mysteries Sunday Oct. 30, after 3 PM Mass: Joyful Mysteries

PARISH NEWS



St. Anthony Mary Claret Vocations Committee expresses its gratitude and appreciation to the Knights of Columbus #10090 and the Ladies of St. Anthony Mary Claret. These ministries assisted with the reception following the Transitional Diaconate Mass held at our parish on Sept. 10. Their kindness

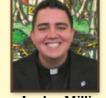
and generosity ensured a successful and memorable celebration. The committee also thanks YOU for the many prayers you offer for our priests, seminarians, deacons, and religious. Jesus shows

His love for us through you!



Deacon David Chacko

Please keep them in your prayers as they continue their priestly formation.



Deacon Jordan Milligan

COMMUNITY PRO-LIFE NEWS

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY: SEPT. 25



Celebrate Respect Life Month with the Archdiocese of San Antonio at a special Mass for Life during the month of October.

OCT. 2 8:00 AM



Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller, M.Sp.S.

San Fernando Cathedral (Misa en español) 115 Main Plaza, San Antonio, TX 78205



Bishop Michael J. Boulette, D.Min.

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church 223 E. Summit Ave., San Antonio, TX 78212

OCT. 30 6:00 PM



Bishop Gary W. Janak, J.C.L.

St. Anthony Mary Claret Catholic Church 6150 Roft Rd., San Antonio, TX 78253



Contact your parish for other ways to get involved in Respect Life Ministry. For more information, contact Yessica Marval at 210-734-1653 or Yessica.Marval@ArchSA.org.

ARCHSA.ORG/RESPECT-LIFE

THIS PROJECT FUNDED BY THE ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL FOR MINISTRIES



Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.

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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:





Jordan Milligan

O God, our Father, You have called us in Baptism to follow your Son Jesus through lives of loving service to You and to one another. Grant us Your assistance, guided by the Holy Spirit, to live out our vocation in life. We pray especially for those who have answered Your call as priests, brothers, sisters, deacons and lay ministers. Keep them faithful in following Your Son and dedicated in serving their brothers and sisters. Grant that many more men and women will be open to the challenge of dedicating their lives in the ministry of building Your Kingdom. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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

A PARISH VOCATION EVENT FOR YOUNG ADULTS



Breakfast Talk: How to discern in a busy life Testimonies from seminarians and religious sisters & brothers

Registration required at vocations@archsa.org or 210-735-0553



Laarni Lopez Dolores Rivera Delma Loria Marge Lucido Dennis Bergkamp Deodato Ruiz, Jr. Connie Coignet Bill Phinizy Catherine Smith 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 Salazar Javier & Mary Bautista Olga Faz Jim & Nancy Souhrada Bill Jennings Dee Hancock Linda Santos Tom Calderon Jr.

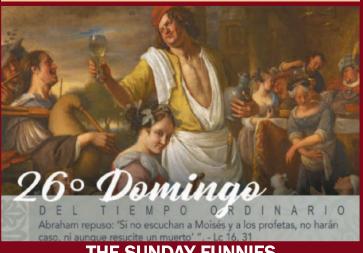
List is reserved for names of parishioners and immediate family only.

You may submit up to FOUR names at a time.

Names usually run for four weeks.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 25: Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31 Monday 26: Jb 1:6-22/Lk 9:46-50 Tuesday 27: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Lk 9:51-56 Wednesday 28: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Lk 9:57-62 Thursday 29: Dan 7:9-10, 13-14/Jn 1:47-51 Friday 30: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Lk 10:13-16 Saturday 1: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Lk 10:17-24 Sunday 2: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/ Lk 17:5-10



THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

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