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April 23, 2023

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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 24:13-35

I always feel a little sad when someone begins to speak to me with the words, "Father, I know you're so busy, but ..." It happens a lot. And I get it. He or she is trying to be respectful of my time. But it saddens me because a priest makes Jesus present to people in a special way, and Jesus always has time for us. Don't we all feel at times that God just doesn't have time for us?

Nonsense. Just look at the stunning "Road to Emmaus" story we hear this week. It's the day Jesus rose from the dead. And the Risen One appears in disguise to two disciples. He walks with them,

chats with them, and eventually eats with them. It could have been hours he spends with them — two unnamed persons — in the middle of nowhere. On the day he rose from the dead!

My friends, please take this to heart: The Risen Jesus is not too busy to spend time with you! He doesn't have "better things to do." You and I are members of this crucified and risen Body. He therefore has all the time in the world to be with us. So, I challenge you this week to approach him confidently in prayer and conversation. After all, being with you and me is the reason he rose from the dead. — *Father John Muir* ©LPi

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) Weekdays: 7:30 AM; 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 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.



They set out at once and returned to

Jerusalem where they found gathered

together the eleven and those with them who

were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised

and has appeared to Simon!" - Lk 24:33-34

Third Sunday of Easter

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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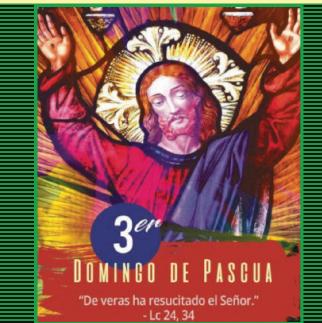
"Even if you do not confess, God is not ignorant of the deed, since he knew it before it was committed. Why then do you not speak of it? Does the transgression become heavier by the confession? No, it becomes lighter and less troublesome. And this is why he wants

you to confess: not that you should be punished, but that you should be forgiven; not that he may learn your sin-how could that be, since he has seen it?-but that you may learn what favor he bestows. He wishes you to learn the greatness of his grace, so that you may praise him perfectly, that you may be slower to sin, that you may be guicker to virtue. And if you do not confess the greatness of the need, you will not understand the enormous magnitude of his grace."

- St. John Chrysostom, 349-407

Apr. 15/16 attendance & collection totals

Attendance	3,304
Regular Collection	\$ 33,815.46
RE Bldg. Debt Reduction	\$ 6,794.99
SAMC Pantry	\$ 6,589.95
Rice Bowl	\$ 610.00
Church in the Holy Land	\$ 475.00
Candles	\$ 415.71
Easter	\$ 250.00
Capital Campaign	\$ 250.00
Gabriel Project	\$ 65.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$ 55.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 35.00
Catholic Charities	\$ 10.00



MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturuay, Apr. 22		wednesday, Apr. 20		
5 PM	Tony Salinas† by Salinas Family	8 AM	BB* for Dylan Adderholdt by Jeanette Erickson	
Sunday, Ap	r. 23		by sealicite Effekson	
8 AM	Crisostomo De Guzman [†] by Daughter &	Thursday, A	pr. 27	
	Taliman Family	8 AM	Jacob & Jason Serna [†] by Family	
10 AM	Daniel R.† & Manuela M. Gonzales†;	Evidor Ann	10	
	Tomasa N. Cabezuela [†] ; Sr. Victoria	Friday, Apr.		
	Hernandez [†] ; Souls in Purgatory [†]	8 AM	BB* for Jessica Romero by Teresa Revilla	
	by F. Gonzales		Bill Tricksey† by Family	
12 PM	For the Parish	Saturday, Ap	pr. 29	
3 PM	Cristo Forero [†] by Family	5 PM	BB* for Desmond Smith by Jeanette Erickson	
6 PM	Constanza Hernandez ⁺ by son Guadalupe	Sunday, Apr	• 30	
	Ortega	8 AM	Shaun Love† by Christine & Charles	
	BB* for Christopher Renfro	OAN	Kasischke	
	by Renfro Family	10 AM	Guillermo Garcia† by Garcia Family	
		10 AM 12 PM	For the Parish	
Monday, A				
8 AM	Sp. Int. for Marcos Ortiz by Emma Ortiz	3 PM	Sp. Int. for Lulu Varela by Varela Family	
6:30 PM	Holy Hour	6 PM	Veronica Betty Sullivan [†]	
7:30 PM	For an End to Abortion		by Teresa & Tommy Martinez	
Tuesday, A				
8 AM	BB* for Jason Belisario by Family		*BB = Birthday Blessings	

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Building a Culture of Life in a Post-Roe World—Conclusion

Statement by Archbishop William E. Lori, Chairman, USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities

A New Politics

Our nation is in desperate need of healing from the toxic polarization and anger that has poisoned so much of our politics in recent years. A paradigm shift from an abandonment of women masquerading as freedom to radical solidarity can open the way to a new politics. Those who disagree on the morality or justice of abortion should nonetheless come together to pursue common-ground solutions to provide care and support to mothers, children, and families in need. Public officials can stake out new ground, to move beyond the political divisions of Left and Right and build a new coalition of people of good will that will focus on the best outcomes for those in need by whatever means—public or private—that prove to be most effective.

Conclusion

Almost fifty years after *Roe v. Wade*, the Supreme Court has finally returned to the American people the authority to govern ourselves on the matter of abortion. Of course, justice requires that the basic protections of the law against violence be extended to the preborn child. But justice alone is not enough. The opportunity which the Supreme Court has given us is not an opportunity to look backward and return to the past. Instead, it is a calling to Catholics at every level to look forward and build a better future—a future in which the new hallmarks of our society will be solidarity, compassion, reconciliation, and a new unity as a nation. We are not atomized individuals seeking to impose our wills in a world of strife. To the contrary, we belong to each other, and each of us was made for love and friendship. Accordingly, we must live and act in radical solidarity with mothers, children, and families in need. That means doing whatever we can through law, policy, politics, and culture to provide them with the care and support necessary for their flourishing throughout the entire arc of life's journey. Through our collective and individual actions, we can build a culture of life and civilization of love in America. Let us begin.

To read parts 1 and 2 of Archbishop Lori's statement, visit our parish website at www.samcsa.com and select the April 9, 2023 and April 16, 2023 bulletins.

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Word of Life

"Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, 'God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end'" (Spe salvi 31),

— USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities; "Respect Life Reflection: Christ Our Hope in Every Season of Life" (Citing Pope Benedict XVI, Spe salvi © 2007, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.)

Palabra De Vida

"Tal como nosotros, Cristo entró en el mundo por mediación del vientre de una mujer. Él voluntariamente asumió la plenitud del sufrimiento humano. Exhaló su último suspiro en la cruz del Calvario para poder salvarnos. Por lo tanto, 'Dios es el fundamento de la esperanza; pero no cualquier dios, sino el Dios que tiene un rostro humano y que nos ha amado hasta el extremo" (Spe salvi 31).

— Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB, "Reflexión Respetemos la Vida: Cristo nuestra esperanza: en cada etapa de la vida" (Citando al Papa Benedicto XVI, Spe salvi © 2007, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Se utiliza con permiso. Todos los derechos reservados.)

PARISH NEWS

St. Anthony Claret Pantry Report: March 2023

Utility assistance:	\$ 2	2,459.41
Restock food pantry:	\$ 5	5,312.09
Other client assistance:	\$	285.54
Office expenses:	\$	203.04
# Food bags distributed:		323
# People served:		986
# of home deliveries		44

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, the Knights of Columbus 40 Cans for Lent program was a great success! We are most grateful.



Hours: Thursdays, 9 AM–12 PM Contact us at (210) 474-6888 or sacpantry@outlook.co. Thank you for supporting our mission.



Our parish is seeking a parttime youth ministry coordinator. View the job description at the parish website: https:// samcsa.com. Apply at https:// archsa.org/employment.

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

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 (<u>samcsa.com</u>) or picked up in the church narthex. Completed application packet

> must be MAILED IN to the parish office and postmarked by Friday, April 28, 2023.

> > ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS

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website: http://samcsa.com/ or have it emailed directly to your inbox. Go to parishesonline.com, locate our parish with the search tool and click on subscribe."

THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

Why can't atheists solve exponential equations? Because they don't believe in higher powers.

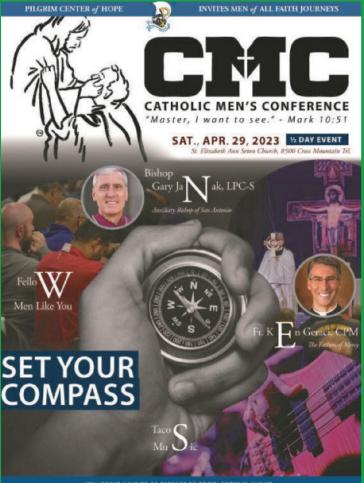




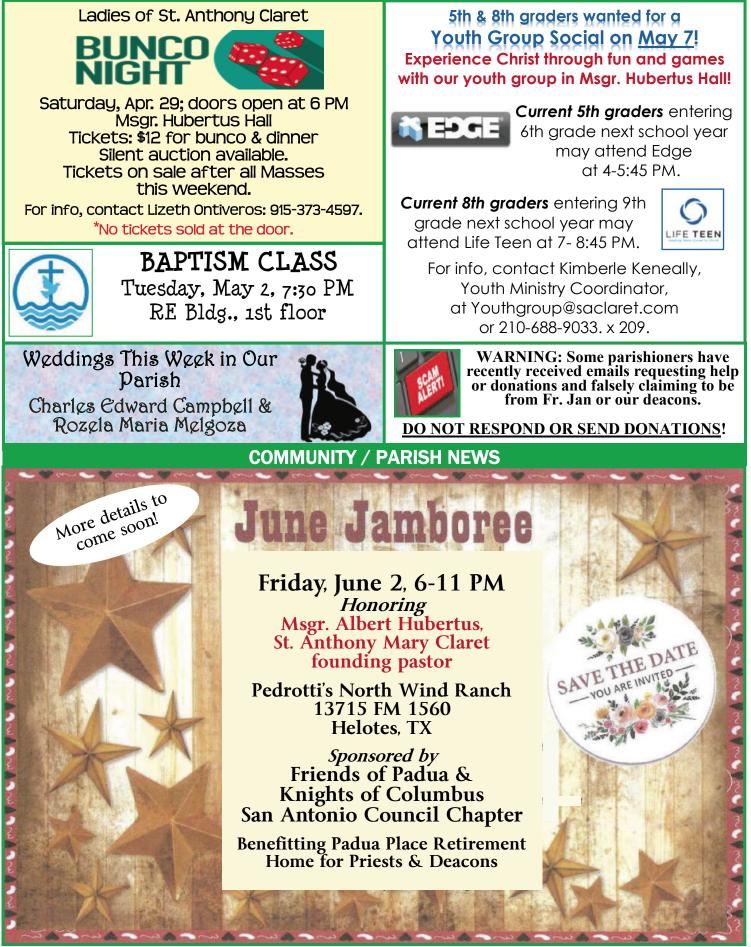
Annual Smoked BBQ Plate Fundraiser Sunday, Apr. 30, 9 AM – 2 PM \$10 cash, check, or credit card Purchase pre-sale tickets after all Masses Apr. 15/16, 22/23 & day of event. Plate includes delicious smoked quarter chicken, sausage, beans, potato salad & bread. Proceeds benefit the Knights' charitable missions.



COMMUNITY NEWS



PARISH NEWS



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:





Jose Edgar Hernandez

Man Nguyen

O God, our Father, You have called us in Baptism to follow vour 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. - Vocation Office Archdiocese of San Antonio

We also commend to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: Missionaries of the Nativity of Mary

COMMUNITY NEWS

VOCATION OFFICE OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN ANTONIO

PRIESTS

MAY 10, 2023 • FREE EVENT MASS 6PM-GAME TIME 7PM

DOOR PRIZES * St. Luke's Catholic Church 4603 Manitou Dr, San Antonio, TX 78228

> LET US KNOW THAT YOU ARE COMING ; MORE INFO HERE VOCATIONS@ARCHSA.ORG • 210-735-0553

NARIANS

PRAY FOR THE SICK MEMB in your pray

Laura Rains **Rodolfo Salinas** Carl Buck San Juana de Lerma Annette D. Navarro CJ Abovtes CS Roz Voss Josephine Thornton Marge Lucido Bill Phinizy Catherine Smith Tony & Rachel Delgado **Maurice Flores** Tracey Kollmansberger **Ťony 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 SJŠ Olga Faz Jim Šouhrada 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 23: Acts 2:14, 22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35 Monday 24: Acts 6:8-15/ Jn 6:22-29 Tuesday 25: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20 Wednesday 26: Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40 Thursday 27: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51 Friday 28: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59 Saturday 29: Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69 Sunday 30: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

> SALESIAN SISTERS **FUN NUN RUN**



The Daughters of Mary Help of Christians - Salesian Sisters invite you to support the Fun Nun Run! All funds raised support our mission with young people, especially those most abandoned. Register or donate at runsignup.com/FunNunRun



Join us for our in-person FUN NUN RUN & WALK at the Salesian Sisters Provincial House Date: Saturday, May 6th Time: Check-in 9:30AM, Start 10 AM Location: 6019 Buena Vista St. San Antonio, TX 78237

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