# St. Anthony Mary Claret

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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

#### April 9, 2023

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#### **Parish Mission Statement**

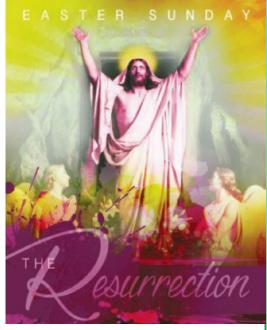
We, the people of St. Anthony Mary Claret Parish, have as our mission to open our hearts and doors to those from all walks of life so that they too may share in the everlasting presence of God. Together we strive to grow closer to Jesus Christ through the Holy Eucharist. We work to foster the development of the parish, not only to strengthen our own spiritual awareness, but to impact the community as a whole.

#### GOSPEL MEDITATION: JN 20:1-9

"When Jesus had risen, early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had driven seven demons." (Mark 16:9)

Popular Catholic piety sometimes posits that the newly risen Jesus appears first to the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a happy thought, but it's simply not what the scriptures report. We are told quite directly that he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, "out of whom he had driven seven demons."

Why would the gospel writer remind us of this unsavory detail of Mary's past? Historians tell us women were not qualified to give legal testimony. On top of that, to be possessed by not just one, but seven demons, is unsavory and terrifying. What damage had they done to her? What did she do to allow herself to be home to such

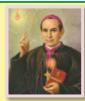


evil? It doesn't seem to matter. Jesus chose Mary Magdalene to be the first one who saw him risen from the dead. He decided she was qualified.

Do you think that you are disqualified from seeing and announcing the risen Jesus because of your past demons? Maybe they are the demons of despair, confusion, self-hatred, pride, addiction, failure, boredom, laziness, or other sins. Well, don't. In the light of the Risen Jesus, all these past demons make our witness that much more believable — only if we allow ourselves to be touched by the liberating hand of Christ, just as Mary Magdalene did. — *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.

# **IN OUR PARISH**



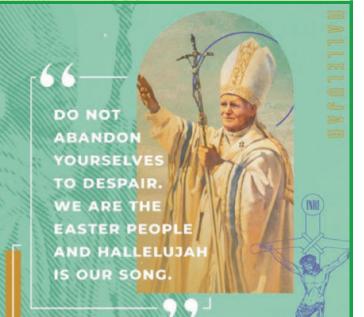
Welcome! As pastor of St. Anthony Mary Claret Catholic Church, I want to express welcome from all of us to you for choosing to become a member of our parish family. We hope you will always feel at home here and that our worship and other parochial services will fulfill your spiritual needs.

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

Mar. 25/26 attendance & collection totals

Attendance	3,451
Regular Collection	\$ 24,276.92
RE Bldg. Debt Reduction	\$ 6,648.99
SAMC Pantry	\$ 2,321.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 1,167.86
Gabriel Project	\$ 675.00
Candles	\$ 437.00
Church in the Holy Land	\$ 20.00

Apr. 1/2 attendance & collection totals unavailable at press time.



"Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him.' Behold, I have told you." - Mt 28:5b-7

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# MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, A	Apr. 8	Wednesday, A	pr. 12	
8:30 PM	RCIA Candidates, Teachers & Sponsors	8 AM	Roberto Garcia† by Teresa Revilla	
Sunday, Ap	r. 9	Thursday, Apr	. 13	
6:30 AM	For the Parish	8 AM	Constanza Hernandez <sup>†</sup> by son Guadalupe	
8 AM	BB* for Barbara Winn & Fran Helner;		Ortega	
10 AM	Mary Ann Feuge†, Mary Boisvert† & Millie Swezey† by Bea Peterson Spiritual Healing & Strength for Current	Friday, Apr. 14 8 AM	4 BB* for Joel Belisario by Family	
	& Future Priests by a Mom	Saturday, Apr. 15		
12 PM	Enrique & Elma Botello <sup>†</sup> by Ramirez Family	5 PM	Healing for Raquel Dinsay; Eva Dinsay	
3 PM	Constanza Hernandez <sup>†</sup> by son Guadalupe		Moon <sup>†</sup> ; Irene Saldivar <sup>†</sup> by Family	
	Ortega	Sunday, Apr. 1	6	
6 PM	<b>BB* for Vanessa Macias</b> by Mary Macias	8 AM	BB* for Erica Macias by Mary Macias	
	pr. 10 ***PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ***		<b>Spiritual Healing &amp; Strength for Humanity</b> by a Mom	
8 AM	Sister Agnes† by Moravits Family	10 AM	Francesco <sup>†</sup> , Maria <sup>†</sup> , Carmela <sup>†</sup> , Corrado <sup>†</sup> ,	
6:30 PM	Holy Hour		Sebastiano <sup>†</sup> , & Giovanni <sup>†</sup> by Sal Spataro	
7:30 PM	<b>BB*</b> for Christopher Ramirez	12 PM	Matthew Ladorte <sup>†</sup> by Donna Feerst	
	by Ramirez Family	3 PM	Constanza Hernandez <sup>†</sup> by son Guadalupe	
Tuesday, A	pr. 11		Ortega	
8 AM	Richard Lemus <sup>†</sup> by Mary Macias	6 PM	For the Parish	
			*BB = Birthday Blessing	

	Wednesday, Apr. 12					
	8 AM	Roberto Garcia† by Teresa Revilla				
	Thursday, Apr.	. 13				
	8 AM	<b>Constanza Hernandez</b> † by son Guadalupe Ortega				
	Friday, Apr. 14					
	8 AM	<b>BB* for Joel Belisario</b> by Family				
	Saturday, Apr.	ırday, Apr. 15				
y	5 PM	Healing for Raquel Dinsay; Eva Dinsay				
		Moon <sup>†</sup> ; Irene Saldivar <sup>†</sup> by Family				
	Sunday, Apr. 16					
	8 AM	BB* for Erica Macias by Mary Macias				
		Spiritual Healing & Strength for Humanity				
		by a Mom				
	10 AM	Francesco <sup>†</sup> , Maria <sup>†</sup> , Carmela <sup>†</sup> , Corrado <sup>†</sup> ,				
		Sebastiano <sup>†</sup> , & Giovanni <sup>†</sup> by Sal Spataro				
	12 PM	Matthew Ladorte <sup>†</sup> by Donna Feerst				

SAINT JOHN PAUL II

#### Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

**RESPECT LIFE** 



# Building a Culture of Life in a Post-Roe World—Part 1

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

#### An Answer to Prayer

The Supreme Court's reversal of *Roe v. Wade* is, without question, an answer to prayer. In its opinion in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, the Justices ended the Court's nearly fifty-year nationwide regime of abortion on demand; a regime that was based on the indefensible view that the U.S. Constitution implicitly forbids government from protecting the preborn child in the womb from the violence of abortion. The Supreme Court in *Dobbs* concluded that there is nothing in the Constitution's text, history, American legal tradition, or the Court's precedents that justified the extreme holding of *Roe*. Therefore, it returned the issue of abortion to be decided by the people's elected representatives, who had exercised such authority from our nation's founding until the *Roe* decision in 1973. In so doing, the Supreme Court in *Dobbs* cleared the way for a paradigm shift in American law, allowing it to enlarge its boundaries to again welcome a segment of the human family that had been outside of its protections for close to half a century.

*Dobbs*, then, is a victory for justice, the rule of law, and self-governance. But for those of us who have prayed for this moment to arrive, it is the time for a renewal and rededication of our efforts to build a culture of life and civilization of love. Justice is, of course, essential to this end. But it is not sufficient. To build a world in which all are welcome requires not only justice, but compassion, healing, and above all, unconditional love.

#### Shifting the Paradigm to "Radical Solidarity"

In a post-*Roe* world, Catholics must now work together for another, even deeper paradigm shift. We must move beyond a paradigm shift in the law in order to help the people of our nation better see *who we can be as a nation* by truly understanding *what we owe to one another as members of the same human family*. To build a world in which all are welcome, we must heed the words of St. Teresa of Calcutta and remember "that we belong to one another."

<u>Abortion is a gruesome sign of how we have forgotten our mutual belonging.</u> The logic of *Roe v. Wade* has framed our national discourse on the issue of abortion as a zero-sum conflict among individual strangers. But the truth of the matter is that mother and child are not strangers; they are already bound together by flesh and kinship. The new life that is developing under the heart of the mother is already situated in a network of relations including family, neighbors, and fellow citizens. The logic of *Roe*, in the name of autonomy, offers the woman only the right to see lethal force used against her child, but it otherwise abandons her.

To the contrary, the logic of the culture of life recognizes that the pregnant woman and her child are not alone—they are fellow members of our larger human family whose interwoven vulnerability is a summons to all of us, but especially Catholics because of the teaching of Jesus and his proclamation of the Gospel of Life. Indeed, Catholics see in the life of the Holy Family a lesson for all society: Mary, who not only said "yes" to life but who accompanied and cared for her child throughout his life; Joseph, who met the unexpected challenges and threats to the child with fortitude and compassion; and Jesus himself, who came into the world not with power and majesty but with the vulnerability, dependence, and humility of a child.

In a post-*Roe* world, then, we must shift the paradigm to what Saint Pope John Paul II described as "radical solidarity," making the good of others our own good, including especially mothers, babies (born and preborn), and families throughout the entire human lifespan. It is a call to friendship and compassion rooted in the truth that we are made to love our neighbor as ourselves.

#### ...to be continued...

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#### April 9, 2023

# **PARISH NEWS**

You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence. ACTS 228

Men of God, you are invited to an encounter with your merciful Lord.

# 2023 English Men's ACTS Retreat

Apr. 20, 6 PM – Apr. 23, 12 PM Mass

> Cordi Marian Retreat Center Cost: \$225

For info or to register, scan this QR code or contact Sid Luna at 210-213-0136, Mark Tapia at 210-393-0168 or Rob Hillis at 210-885-3497.





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.





We are excited to let you know that our parish subscribes to FORMED, an on-demand guide to our beautiful faith. FORMED offers live streamed events, movies, documentaries, audio books, downloadable books, Bible studies, faith studies, and children's movies and programs. We encourage you to sign in and take a look at what FORMED has to offer-there is something for everyone! And FORMED can be viewed through most devices including TV, computer or smart phone.

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- 2. Select "Sign up as a parishioner."
- 3. Find Saint Anthony Mary Claret or enter our zip code: 78253.
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Our parish is seeking a **part-time youth coordinator.** View the job description at the parish website: https://samcsa.com. Apply at https://archsa.org/employment

# Your Generosity is Appreciated!

- Online giving: samcsa.com/home/welcome/donate/
- By mail: 6150 Roft Road San Antonio, Texas 78253
- In person: during Mass or drop off at the parish office

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lector/para cualquier persona

View the bulletin anytime on our 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."





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

**DO NOT RESPOND OR SEND DONATIONS!** 

NO BAPTISM CLASS THIS MONTH.

Next class: Tuesday. May 2



# **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:



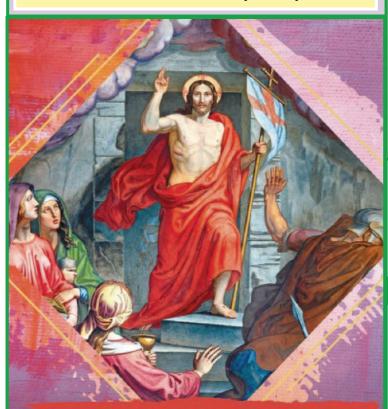


Jose Edgar Hernandez

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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. – 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



# DOMINGO DE PASCUA

En eso llegó también Simón Pedro, que lo venía siguiendo, y entró en el sepulcro. Contempló los lienzos puestos en el suelo y el sudario, que había estado sobre la cabeza de Jesús, puesto no con los lienzos en el suelo, sino doblado en sitio aparte. - Jn 20, 6-8



**Rosemary Galvan** Carl Buck San Juana de Lerma Judy Lopez Annette D. Navarro **CJ** Aboytes CS Roz Voss Josephine Thornton Marge Lucido Dennis Bergkamp Bill Phinizy **Catherine Smith** Tony & Rachel Delgado **Maurice Flores** Tracey Kollmansberger **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 SJS Olga Faz Jim 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 9: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4/Jn 20:1-9 Monday 10: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15 Tuesday 11: Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18 Wednesday 12: Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35 Thursday 13: Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48 Friday 14: Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14 Saturday 15: Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15 Sunday 16: Acts 2:42-47/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

"We have received baptism, entrance into the Church, and the honor of being called Christians. Yet what good will this do us if we are Christians in name only and not in fact?" -St. Andrew Kim Taegon, martyr, 1821-1846



# **THE SUNDAY FUNNIES**

What kind of story does the Easter bunny like best? The ones with hop-py endings.

What do you call the Easter bunny the day after Easter? Tired.

What kind of jewelry does the Easter bunny wear?

14-carrot gold.

Why was the Easter egg hiding? Because it was a little chicken.







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