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May 7, 2023

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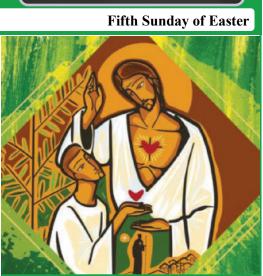
Parish Mission Statement

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 14:1-12

If you had to summarize the essential core of the Christian life, what would it be? Mercy, truth, or love, perhaps? The readings today suggest another word which may surprise you. That word is priesthood.

St. Peter says to us, "You are a 'chosen race, a royal priesthood..." To be part of a priesthood is to offer a particular sacrifice in order for the community to survive and thrive. Jesus is the great high priest because he offers the one perfect sacrifice which heals and perfects the entire human race. Peter the Apostle wants us to know that all the baptized share in this priestly ministry. The whole of our lives, including every detail, is meant to become our acceptable offering to God.



"I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my father." – Jn 14:6-7

The baptized exercise this priesthood in many ways, I'll mention three. At Sunday Mass, in private prayer, and in daily work. At Mass, we offer the sacrifice of our lives with that of the priest, who symbolizes Christ the Priest. In our prayer, a "morning offering" prayer is a great way to offer up all the joys and sufferings of the day to come. In our daily work, we sacrifice our time, comfort, money, and energy to do good for others. All this gives the deepest possible meaning to our lives: we share in the priesthood which saves the world. That's at the core of our faith. — *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



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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



"Dear brothers and sisters, I pray God may open your eyes and let you see what hidden treasures He bestows on us in the trials from which the world thinks only to flee. Shame turns into honor when we seek God's

glory. Present affliction becomes the source of heavenly glory. To those who suffer wounds in fighting His battles, God opens His arms in loving, tender friendship. That is why He (Christ) tells us that if we want to join Him, we shall travel the way He took. It is surely not right that the Son of God should go His way on the path of shame while the sons of men walk the way of worldly honor. *The disciple is not above his teacher, nor the servant greater than his master.*" - Saint John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church, 1499-1569; feast day: May 10

Apr. 29/30 attendance & collection totals

Attendance	2,991
Regular Collection	\$ 30,523.85
RE Bldg. Debt Reduction	\$ 5,344.99
Catholic Home Missions	\$ 2,695.80
SAMC Pantry	\$ 657.25
Gabriel Project	\$ 450.00
Candles	\$ 412.35
Catholic Charities	\$ 100.00
Assumption Seminary	\$ 10.00



de mi Padre hay muchas habitaciones". - Jn 14, 2

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, Ma 8 AM	BB* for Jennifer Alvarez by Bea Alvarez	Thursday, May 8 AM	11 Sp. Int. for Guillermo Ortiz by Emma Ortiz	
5 PM	Spec. Int.: James & Henry Pawelek; Alois & Florence Olenick by Olenick Family	Friday, May 12 8 AM	Lois Mendoza† by Mendoza Family	
Sunday, May			BB* for Oscar Alvarez by Bea Alvarez	
8 AM	Constanza Hernandez† by son Guadalupe Ortega Ernest Alcorta† by Alcorta Family	Saturday, May 5 PM	Spiritual Healing/Strength for Humanity;	
10 AM	For the Parish		Souls in Purgatory [†] by M. Gonzales	
12 PM	Mary Kolar† by Family		Raymond Cavazos [†] by Gloria Cavazos &	
3 PM	Souls in Purgatory [†] by Forero Family		Family	
6 PM	BB* for Irene Lemus by Mary Macias	Sunday, May 14		
Monday, May 8		8 AM 10 AM	BB* for Julian Belisario by Family For the Parish	
8 AM	Manuel M. Rodrigues† by Family	10 AM 12 PM	Servando & Olga Ramirez [†]	
6:30 PM	Holy Hour	12 1 1/1	by Ramirez Family	
7:30 PM	Stephen Sanders† by Family	3 PM	Constanza Hernandez [†] by son Guadalupe	
Tuesday, May 9			Ortega	
8 AM	Joe Mungia, Jr.† by wife Maria	6 PM	BB* for Leslie Wessel by Bea Peterson	
Wednesday, N	May 10		Debra Saenz [†] by mom Lydia Reynolds	
8 AM	Adelina Fritz: In Thanksgiving by Family		*BB = Birthday Blessings	

RESPECT LIFE

U.S. Bishops' Pro-Life Chairman Responds to Vote on Equal Rights Amendment

April 28, 2023

WASHINGTON - On Thursday, the U.S. Senate declined to advance a resolution asserting that the "Equal Rights Amendment" has been ratified as a new amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

"The Catholic faith teaches that women and men are created with equal dignity, and we support that being reflected in law," explained Bishop Michael F. Burbidge of Arlington, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Pro-Life Activities. "The proposed 'Equal Rights Amendment,' however, would likely create a sweeping new nationwide right to abortion at any stage, at taxpayer expense, and eliminate even modest protections for women's health and the lives of preborn children. It could also pose



grave problems for women's privacy and athletic and other opportunities, and negatively impact religious freedom. I am grateful that the Senate did not advance this proposal that in fact expired decades ago, and I hope that Congress will focus on meaningful support for women and families in need."

Bishop Burbidge was joined by other chairmen of USCCB committees in a letter to Congress this past February where they voiced their opposition to the resolution: Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan of New York, chairman of the Committee for Religious Liberty, Archbishop Borys Gudziak of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia, chairman of the Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development, and Bishop Robert E. Barron of Winona-Rochester, chairman of the Committee for Laity, Marriage, Family Life, and Youth. The letter and backgrounder sent to Congress may be read <u>here</u>:

https://www.usccb.org/resources/ERA_Letter_and_Backgrounder_2023.pdf

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MAY: THE MONTH OF MARY

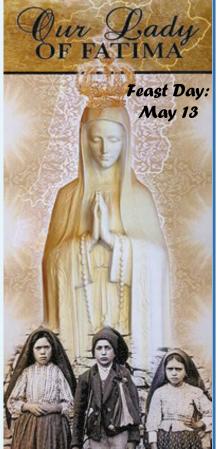
As the Mother of God, the Virgin Mary has a unique position among the saints, indeed, among all creatures. She is exalted, yet still one of us.

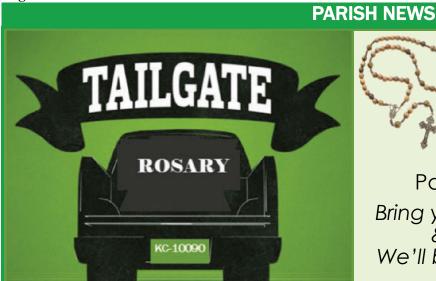
Redeemed by reason of the merits of her Son and united to Him by a close and indissoluble tie, she is endowed with the high office and dignity of being the Mother of the Son of God, by which account she is also the beloved daughter of the Father and the temple of the Holy Spirit. Because of this gift of sublime grace she far surpasses all creatures, both in heaven and on earth. At the same time, however, because she belongs to the offspring of Adam she is one with all those who are to be saved.

(Lumen Gentium, no. 53)

Mary embraces God's will and freely chooses to cooperate with God's grace, thereby fulfilling a crucial role in God's plan of salvation. Throughout the centuries, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin in order to come closer to Christ. Many forms of piety toward the Mother of God developed that help bring us closer to her Son. In these devotions to Mary, "while the Mother is honored, the Son, through whom all things have their being and in whom it has pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell, is rightly known, loved and glorified and . . . all His commands are observed." The Church honors her as the Mother of God, looks to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and asks for her prayers to God on our behalf.

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Presented by SAC Knights of Columbus Council 10090

Tuesday, May 16 7 PM followed by fellowship hour

Parking lot by the pavilion

Bring your family, rosaries & lawn chairs. We'll bring the hot dogs!



May 7, 2023

Want to know more about Mother Mary? Join our parish's Legion of Mary to pray the rosary then enjoy tea & cookies with our **Blessed Mother.**

Saturday, May 13 after 5 PM Mass St. Anthony Claret grotto



Silver Seniors Mother's Day Luncheon Wed., May 17 Msgr. Hubertus Hall Doors open at 11:30 AM. For ages 55 & up

For more info or to RSVP, contact **Maria Richardson** at 210-722-4627.

THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

I just got over my addiction to chocolate, marshmallows and nuts. I have to admit: it was a rocky road!





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

Looking for healthy fun? Enjoy a variety of music & make new friends!



St. Anthony Mary Claret Line Dancers Tuesdays, 10-11:30 AM (with 2 breaks) Msgr. Hubertus Hall Beginners welcome. For info, contact Helen Coignet at 210-865-1214.



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!**

NEVER MISS A BULLETIN! 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."

Fifth Sunday of Easter

PARISH NEWS



Vacation Bible School (VBS) Volunteers Needed! Marvelous Mystery: the Mass Comes Alive Jun 19-23 9 AM - 12 PM

Adults and middle or high school students grades 6 è up may serve. For info, contact Margaret Ranalli at <u>ranallim@gmail.com</u> or 850-499-6329.

To volunteer, go to <u>https://forms.gle/7pyV10yvtsLFjSja9</u>



VBS THIS SUMMER!

Register after all Masses May 20/21!

Children who have completed kindergarten through 5th grade are eligible to attend.

Students who have completed 6th - high school may partiCipate as volunteers.

NEW THIS YEAR:

Preschool Class for $4 \neq 5$ year-olds.

Registration fee: \$35 per student.



Experience Christ through fun and games with our youth group in Msgr. Hubertus Hall!



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Current 5th graders entering 6th grade next school year may attend Edge at 4-5:45 PM.

Current 8th graders entering 9th grade next school year may attend Life Teen at 7-8:45 PM.



For info, contact Kimberle Keneally, Youth Ministry Coordinator, at Youthgroup@saclaret.com or 210-688-9033. x 209.

COMMUNITY / PARISH NEWS



Save the date for JUNE JAMBOREE Friday, June 2, 6-11 PM *Honoring* Msgr. Albert Hubertus, St. Anthony Mary Claret founding pastor

Pedrotti's North Wind Ranch 13715 FM 1560, Helotes, TX

Sponsored by Friends of Padua & Knights of Columbus San Antonio Council Chapter Benefitting Padua Place Retirement Home for Priests & Deacons More details soon.

the Rosary every day, to bring peace to the world and the end of the war."

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Words spoken by our Blessed Mother Mary at Fatima

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:





Luis Horacio Gómez

Javier Alvarado

Lord, we thank you for giving us the gift of the priesthood, a "gift and mystery," a call to follow and imitate Christ, your Son. We pray, Lord, as you continue to place the call to serve our people as priests in the hearts of many, that they will hear your voice and respond with joy and generosity to your great grace of love. We pray that through the intercession of Mary, our Blessed Mother, you grant us many more vocations to the priesthood and that each family and parish be a place where we can all nurture and encourage the young men of today to hear and follow your call. Amen.

- Prayer by Archbishop José Gómez, Archbishop of Los Angeles

We also commend to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: *Pax Christi Institute*

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention - May

For church movements and groups: Let us pray that ecclesial movements and groups may daily rediscover their evangelizing mission, placing their own charisms at the service of the world's needs.



O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer You my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world. I offer them for all the intentions of Your Sacred Heart:

the salvation of souls, reparation for sin, and the reunion of all Christians. I offer them for the intentions of our bishops and in particular for those recommended by our Holy Father this month. Amen.

Intención del Santo Padre Francisco - Mayo Por los movimientos y grupos eclesiales: Oremos para

que los movimientos y grupos eclesiales redescubran cada día su misión evangelizadora, poniendo sus propios carismas al servicio de las necesidades del mundo.

Dios, Padre nuestro, yo te ofrezco toda mi jornada, mis oraciones, pensamientos, afectos y deseos, palabras, obras, alegrías y sufrimientos en unión con el Corazón de tu Hijo Jesucristo que sigue ofreciéndose a Ti en la Eucaristía para la salvación del mundo. Que el Espíritu Santo, que guió a Jesús, sea mi guía y mi fuerza en este día para que pueda ser testigo de tu amor. Con María, la madre del Señor y de la Iglesia, pido especialmente por las intenciones del Papa y de nuestros obispos para este mes. Amen.



Krvstle Navarro 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 Aldava Mary Helen Peterson Maria Morales Rosa Huerta **Barbara** Vanegas A.C. Garza Manuel Salazar Javier & Mary Bautista SJS 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 7: Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12 Monday 8: Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26 Tuesday 9: Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a Wednesday 10: Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8 Thursday 11: Acts 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11 Friday 12: Acts 15:22-31/Jn 15:12-17 Saturday 13: Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21 Sunday 14: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

COMMUNITY NEWS



COME TOUR RCA

Our mission is to help our students achieve salvation, deepen in intellect and character, grow spiritually, develop the ability to win others for Christ and perceive and elect his or her God-given vocation. Come discover what students and parents low pout Regina Caeli Academy.

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