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July 23, 2023

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**“He replied, ‘No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest.’”**

**- Mt 13:29-30**

## GOSPEL MEDITATION: MT 13:24-43

Patience is rooted in hope (an image of a bush filled with birds would be great). Life, like the church, is often burdened with evil, smallness, and impurities. The Lord's parables give us a hope-filled perspective on all three.

Evil: in Jesus' parable about the good farmer whose enemy plants weeds at night, Jesus tells us that God is not the cause of evil but permits evil to exist with good out of his patient love. He will finally deal with it, but his love lets things stay messy for a time.

Smallness: It's funny that Jesus says his kingdom looks like ... wait for it ... a bush. What a letdown! Yet this little shrub still somehow has room for all the birds of the sky. The smallness of the Church, and even our own little lives,

still provides plenty of room for all whom God sends.

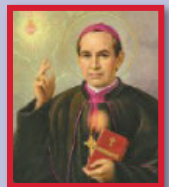
Impurities: divisions and hypocrisies in the Church and our own hearts exasperate us. Recall that Jesus compares his kingdom to a lump of dough with impure leaven eating away at it and therefore making it expand. It's the secret of the Cross. Not how we'd prefer it. But finally, great news.

The field, the bush, the loaf: all three parables invite us to embrace a patience rooted in hope: one day the field will be weeded, the bush filled with birds, and the risen loaf leaven-free.

— 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](http://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

## July 15/16 attendance &amp; collection totals

<b>Attendance</b>	<b>3,031</b>
<b>Regular Collection</b>	<b>\$ 27,695.69</b>
<b>Gabriel Project</b>	<b>\$ 6,430.00</b>
<b>SAMC Pantry</b>	<b>\$ 6,021.99</b>
<b>RE Bldg. Debt Reduction</b>	<b>\$ 3,967.99</b>
<b>Candles</b>	<b>\$ 487.71</b>
<b>Capital Campaign</b>	<b>\$ 200.00</b>
<b>Peter's Pence</b>	<b>\$ 37.00</b>
<b>Rosary Makers</b>	<b>\$ 30.00</b>



## Blessed Stanley Francis Rother

Stanley Francis Rother was born on March 27, 1935, in Okarche, Oklahoma to farmers. The eldest of four siblings, he discerned the call to priesthood while in high school and, upon graduating, studied locally at the St. John Seminary. Due to his trouble with learning Latin, though, he struggled academically and had to transfer to Assumption Seminary in San Antonio and then to Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Maryland before he finally was able to complete his studies and graduate. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1963 in the diocese of Oklahoma City.

Following his ordination, Rother served as an associate parish priest at four different parishes in the area before requesting to be sent on mission to Guatemala. He started his service at the diocese's mission to the Tz'utujil people of Santiago Atitlán in Southwest Guatemala in 1968.

Despite his difficulties with learning Latin, Father Rother committed to learning both Spanish and the Tz'utujil native language. While living among the Tz'utujil people, he supported a local radio station that transmitted language and math lessons, preached in both Spanish and Tz'utujil, and even founded a local hospital. He was well loved by those he lived among due to his ability to connect and his habit of smoking tobacco pipes with his neighbors. His community lived in abject poverty, and he made no concessions for himself, living alongside those he served in the same manner as they lived. His friends and community in Santiago Atitlán called him by his middle name, Francis, or in their native language, Apla, as Stanley didn't have a native analogue.

(Cont'd on page 3)

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

## Saturday, July 22

**5 PM** Dolores Cain† by Patricia Smalley  
Robert Bashant† by Wife: Patricia

## Sunday, July 23

**8 AM** BB\* for Andrea Fernandes by Family  
**10 AM** Mandy Francisco† by Lagura & Francisco Families  
**12 PM** Carlos Andres Tarin† by Adrian Brown & Family  
**3 PM** For the Parish  
**6 PM** Angela Feliciano De Gutierrez† & Jose Maria Gutierrez Padilla by Nita Feliciano

## Monday, July 24

**8 AM** Souls in Purgatory† by Family  
**6:30 PM** Holy Hour  
**7 PM** Inocente Ramirez, Jr.† by Family

## Tuesday, July 25

**8 AM** Souls in Purgatory† by Robbie Alicea

## Wednesday, July 26

**8 AM** Souls in Purgatory† by Family

## Thursday, July 27

**8 AM** Nancy Otto† by Tony & Sandy Bretzke

## Friday, July 28

**8 AM** Leonora Lagura† by Lagura Family

## Saturday, July 29

**5 PM** Spiritual Healing & Strength for Current & Future Descendants of Daniel R. † & Manuela M. Gonzales† by Y. Gonzales

## Sunday, July 30

**8 AM** Thomas E. Blank, Jr.† by Family  
**10 AM** Anniversary Blessings for Elizabeth & Christopher Gruver by Rodriguez Family  
BB\* for Raquel Dinsay by Family  
**12 PM** Joe B. Alcantar† by Family  
**3 PM** For the Parish  
**6 PM** Minda Pada† by son: Jose Asido

\*BB = Birthday Blessings



## FAITH IN ACTION

**Blessed Stanley Francis Rother** (Cont'd from page 2)

Violence in Guatemala became prevalent and escalated significantly in the 1980's. Before his death, Fr. Rother experienced the destruction of his radio station, and friends going missing, being tortured, and murdered by right-wing guerilla forces. His own life was threatened by those perpetuating the violence and he became accustomed to constantly being watched and targeted. Despite all of this, he continued to serve and live alongside his community of Tz'utujil people stating, "The shepherd cannot run at the first sign of danger."

On July 28, 1981, just after midnight, three Spanish-speaking non-indigenous men snuck into the rectory of the mission looking for blood. After seizing the teenaged brother of the associate pastor, they threatened to kill him if he didn't take them to Fr. Rother, the senior pastor. Once at his room's door, the young captive called out a warning and, despite this, Fr. Rother decided to let his would-be assailants into the room in an effort to save the teenager. They quickly let the youth go and apprehended Fr. Rother instead. In an effort to protect everyone else on the premises, including the nine sisters in the convent across the patio, he chose to fight the men instead of to allow them to simply take him captive and, possibly, also have an opportunity to hurt or kidnap any of the others. During the altercation, the men shot him in the head, murdering him, and then ran from the premises.

His community greatly mourned his loss and requested that his heart remain enshrined in Guatemala, where it can be found to this day. He was officially recognized as a martyr for the faith by Pope Francis in 2016 — the first U.S.-born priest to be martyred and, as of 2017, the first to be beatified. © LPI

**The Official Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Stanley Rother can be found on page 6.**

## ARCHDIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller, M.Sp.S., invites priests, deacons, men and women religious, and all the people of God to continue the synodal journey towards Eucharistic Renewal by participating in the Archdiocesan Eucharistic Congress. Let us open our hearts for a moment of grace where a profound encounter with our Lord through the reflection and celebration of the Sacred Mysteries of the Mass will transform us to go out as missionary disciples to witness about the saving power of Jesus Christ.

**Friday, November 3, 2023**

**In your Parish Community | Evening time**

Each community will prepare its own activity to kick-off the Eucharistic Congress celebration on Friday. The evening might include Holy Hour, a blessing to commission participants, a Eucharistic talk, prayers of intercession for a blessed and fruitful Congress, or a teaching Mass. Check with your parish for more information.

**Saturday, November 4, 2023**

**Campus of St. Mary's University | 8:00 AM-1:00 PM**

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## PARISH NEWS

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Young Adults



**JULY & AUGUST  
BAPTISM CLASSES  
HAVE BEEN  
CANCELLED.**



**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!**



The parish community mourns the loss of parishioner *Valdemar Perez* who recently passed away. We offer our deepest condolences to his family and in particular to his wife, Rosemary.



*Incline Your ear, O Lord,  
unto our prayers. We humbly pray  
You show Your mercy to the soul  
of Your servant Valdemar 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 to be a partaker with  
Your saints. Please grant his loved  
ones comfort, love and peace.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

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**Open Monday to Friday from 8:30 AM - 5 PM.**

**Refer to adjacent photo. →**



## PARISH NEWS



## St. Anthony Claret's Pantry School Supply Drive

We supply new backpacks.  
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*Collection runs  
through Aug. 5/6.*



## Men's Club BBQ Plate Sale

Sunday, Aug. 13, 9 AM until we run out  
Msgr. Hubertus Hall

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pickles, onions, jalapenos & BBQ sauce for  
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## This Week in Our Parish



Wedding Vows Renewal  
Carmelo & Gloria Jimenez

Quinceañera  
Emily Zaragoza



Weddings  
Edgar Barajas  
& Berenice Barragan

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## THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

Just baked a synonym  
bun. Just like the ones  
grammar used to  
make.



## 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.



## FAITH &amp; 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.



Guillermo Cruz



Moses Castro

God our Father, thank you for calling these men to prepare for the priesthood. Grant them the grace to grow closer to you through daily prayer. Help them form their personalities as credible witnesses to others. Bless them while they study Your word and the teachings of the Church and give them generous hearts to serve Your people. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our great High Priest. Amen.

We also commend to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: School Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis (U.S. Province)



16° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

"Entonces los justos brillarán como el sol en el Reino de su Padre". - Mt 13, 43



## PRAY FOR THE SICK

REMEMBER  
in your prayers

Araceli Luciano  
Pete Reyes  
Jennifer Alfaro  
Mario Moreno  
Ernest Salinas  
Diana Martinez  
Gilbert Niedenthal  
Rodolfo Salinas  
Carl Buck  
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Alejandro De Luna

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Maggie Reyna  
Fr. Patrick Martin  
Karina Hernandez  
Kelton Sweet, Jr.  
Joanna Sweet  
Javier Calderon  
George Aldaya  
Mary Helen Peterson  
Rosa Huerta  
Barbara Vanegas  
PK  
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 23: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/  
Mt 13:24-43

Monday 24: Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday 25: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28

Wednesday 26: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday 27: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Mt 13:10-17

Friday 28: Ex 20:1-17/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday 29: Ex 24:3-8/Jn 11:19-27

Sunday 30: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/  
Mt 13:44-52



### Official Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Stanley Rother

O God, fount of all holiness, make us each walk worthily in our vocation, through the intercession of Your Saints, on whom You bestowed a great variety of graces on

earth. Having graced Your Church with the life of Your priest and martyr, Blessed Stanley Rother, grant that by his intercession this humble flock may reach where the brave shepherd has gone. Grant that Your Church may proclaim him a saint living in Your presence and interceding for us. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Prayer Source: <https://archokc.org/prayers-for-blessed-stanley-rother>)

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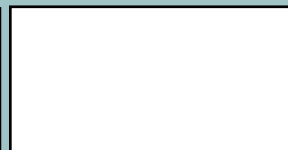
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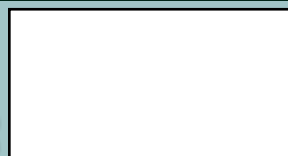
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