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**Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

#### **November 5, 2023**

#### Pastor Rev. Dr. Jan P. Klak, Ph.L., S.T.L., Ph.D.

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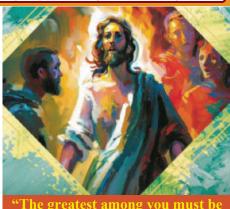
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### GOSPEL MEDITATION: MT 23:1-12

Last Easter season a new convert to Catholicism at my parish asked me with a grave tone in her voice: "Why do we call priests 'father' if Jesus says, 'Call no man on earth your father, for you have one Father, who is in heaven'?" Thinking myself clever, I asked, "Do you think it's okay to call someone your 'teacher' or 'mister' or 'dad'?" She said, "Yes, I do." I responded, "Well, Jesus seems to forbid that, too. So, it's obviously hyperbole that he's using." She thought for a moment and declared, "Then I will stop using those words, too!" And she walked away. Not the outcome I was seeking.



'The greatest among you must be your servant." - Mt 23:11

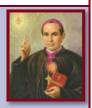
We shouldn't be too hasty in dismissing this complaint voiced by many non-Catholics. The expression "father" for ordained priests is not honorary for the individual man. The priest's fatherhood doesn't begin or end in him at all. Rather, the title "father" indicates that he is a sacramental sign of God's Fatherhood revealed in Jesus. I can tell you, as a very unworthy bearer of that title, we should give and receive that title with some trepidation (because of God's awesomeness) and with a little sense of humor (because of the lowliness of the men with the title).

The longer I'm a priest, the more I'm comfortable with people not using the title "father" and just calling me "John." After all, only God is Father in the truest sense. At the same time, Jesus has brought the Father close to us, very close. We honor this closeness in some men with the title "father." Who are the priests in your life whom Christ has sent to you? How wonderful that Christ has surrounded us with humble signs of his Father's love. It's good to celebrate that love with gratitude for the priests in our lives.

— 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.

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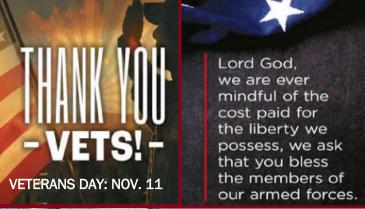
### **IN OUR PARISH**



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 **samesa.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





### **Healing Mass**

Monday, Nov. 6 7:30 PM (after Holy Hour)

## Oct. 28/29 attendance & collection totals

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Attendance		3,361
Regular Collection	\$	32,455.13
RE Bldg. Debt Reduction	\$	4,734.99
World Mission Sunday	\$	1,400.25
SAMC Pantry	\$	1,245.00
Candles	\$	370.66
Capital Campaign	\$	200.00
Hope for the Future	\$	110.00
Gabriel Project	\$	50.00

The next second collection is for the Campaign for Human Development and will be taken next weekend, Nov. 11/12. Envelopes marked for this collection can be turned in at any time.



### MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, Nov. 4 \*\*\* <u>NO FIRST SATURDAY MASS</u> \*\*\*

5 PM Raymond Bendele† by Bea Peterson Frank Zertuche† & Oralia Aguilera†

by Wife & Sister Olivia Zertuche

Deceased Mbrs: Legion of Mary Worldwide by Our Lady of Perpetual Help & Our Lady

of Guadalupe Praesidiums

Sunday, Nov. 5

8 AM Raymond & Elvira Bendele†

by Bea Peterson

Lupe Lerma† & Mary Keeton† by Rick &

Sandy Salinas & Family

10 AM Margaret† & Albert Suarez†; Alan J.

Ponce†; Healing for Anthony Ponce

by Alma Ponce

12 PM Spiritual Healing/Strength for Humanity;

Souls in Purgatory† by M. Gonzales

3 PM For the Parish

**6 PM Stephen Sanders**† by Family

For the Catholic Church by St. Anthony

Claret Parish

Monday, Nov. 6

8 AM Cecilia & Rodolpho Garcia† by Adelina Fritz

**6:30 PM** Holy Hour

7:30 PM Spec. Int.: James & Henry Pawelek; Alois

& Florence Olenick by Olenick Family

Tuesday, Nov. 7

**8 AM Bob Pineda**† by Family

Wednesday, Nov. 8

8 AM Vicente Feliciano Ramirez†

by Nita Feliciano

Thursday, Nov. 9

**8 AM** Nancy Otto† by Steve & Sylvia Hilbig

Souls in Purgatory† by Catalina &

Guadalupe Ortega

Friday, Nov. 10

**8 AM BB\* for Victoria Langas** by Langas Family

Healing for Rick McCarty by Sherlyn Reyes

Saturday, Nov. 11

**5 PM Bryan Parke**† by Wife, son Zachary & Family

Sunday, Nov. 12

**8 AM** For the Parish

10 AM Francesco†, Maria†, Carmela†, Corrado†,

Sebastiano†, & Giovanni† by Sal Spataro

**12 PM** Robert Reynolds† by Wife Lydia Reynolds

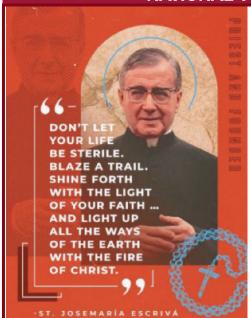
3 PM Alicia & Coronado Hinojosa†

by Adelina Fritz

**6 PM Kurt A. Kenyon**† by Lorraine Kenyon

\*BB = Birthday Blessings

### NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK: NOV. 5 - 11



National Vocation Awareness Week is a week-long celebration dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. During this week, we encourage you to pray for continued vocations to church ministry, as well as for the spiritual well-being of those who already serve our Church as priests, brothers, sisters, deacons and lay ministers.

Join us at any of these opening Masses:

Nov. 5, 10 AM, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Helotes, w/Bishop Gary Janak Nov. 5, 10 AM, San Fernando Cathedral w/Archbishop Gustavo Nov. 5, 12 PM, Basilica of Little Flower w/Bishop Mike Boulette Nov. 5, 5 PM, Our Lady of Perpetual Help w/Bishop Gary Janak

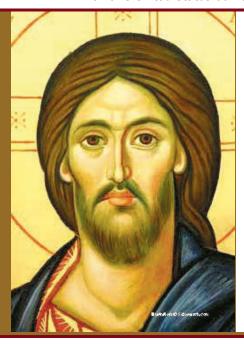
In his message for the 60th anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Pope Francis stated, "Our common vocation to give ourselves in love develops and finds concrete expression in the life of lay men and women, devoted to raising a family as a small domestic church and working as the leaven of the Gospel to renew the different sectors of society; in

the testimony of consecrated women and men who are completely committed to God for the sake of their brothers and sisters as a prophetic sign of the kingdom of God; in ordained ministers – deacons, priests, and bishops – placed at the service of preaching, prayer and fostering the communion of the holy People of God."

Bishop Earl A. Boyea of Lansing, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Clergy, Consecrated Life and Vocations (CCLV), expressed his gratitude for holy families, ordained ministers, and consecrated men and women, saying "During this week, the Church gives thanks to God for the faithful example of husbands and wives, and joyful witness of ordained ministers and consecrated persons. We pray that many more men and women will be open to the movement of the Holy Spirit in their hearts as they discern the mission God has for them."

Bishop Austin A. Vetter of Helena, a member of the CCLV committee, and episcopal liaison to the National Conference of Diocesan Vocation Directors, National Religious Vocation Conference, and Serra International, emphasized that National Vocation Awareness Week offers us a special opportunity to "redouble our efforts of prayer that young people would be able to hear the voice — the quiet, gentle voice many times — of Jesus inviting them into a vocation as a priest or religious."

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### Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.



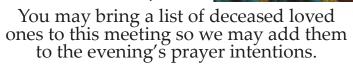
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### **PARISH NEWS**

### St. Anthony Claret Two Hearts Charismatic Prayer Group

Every First Wednesday Next meeting: Nov. 8, 7 PM In the pavilion

Stir the gifts of the Holy Spirit that live within you.



Questions? Need prayers? Contact Barbaree at 210-414-3016 or Tex at 210-912-2668.



# This Week in Our Parish Wedding:

Marcos Andres Vento & Jacquelyn Amanda Aguirre



### BAPTISM CLASS

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



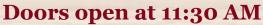
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### Silver Seniors Turkey Luncheon

Wed., Nov. 15 Msgr. Hubertus Hall





For ages 55 & up

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- Mail: 6150 Roft Road San Antonio, Texas 78253
- In person: during Mass or at parish office

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- ◆ Correo: 6150 Roft Road San Antonio, Texas 78253
- En persona: durante la misa o en la oficina parroquia



### **WARNING:**

Some parishioners have recently received emails requesting help or donations, falsely claiming to be

from Fr. Jan or our deacons.

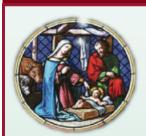
**DO NOT RESPOND OR SEND DONATIONS!** 

### THE SUNDAY FUNNIES





### **PARISH NEWS**



### Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

Celebrate the true meaning of Christmas through artwork!

- Open to kids ages 5–14.
- Pick up entry form at the parish office. Turn in form with poster to the parish office **no later than Dec. 1**.
- Contestants compete in their age group:
  - \* Ages 5-7 (grades K-2)
  - \* Ages 8-10 (grades 3-5)
  - \* Ages 11-14 (grades 6-8)
- 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place certificates will be awarded
- Winners announced at this year's Breakfast with Santa.

#### **Poster Rules:**

- Must reflect "Keep Christ in Christmas" theme.
- Must be original work of a single person.
- Dimensions should be approximately 11x17 inches.

  All entries become property of the Knights of Columbus

  Supreme Council.

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### Tamale Plate Fundraiser

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Sunday, Nov. 12, 9 AM - 1:30 PM

Msgr. Hubertus Hall

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Tickets on sale after all Masses this weekend.

You may also purchase tickets at the door.



## St. Anthony Claret Knights of Columbus Council #10090





### Christmas Toy Drive

Make Christmas brighter for children in need!

We are collecting all toys with a focus on dolls, cars 4 trucks for children of all ages.

Drop donations in the large bin located in the narthex Nov. 4 - 19. Toys should be new, packaged and unwrapped. NO BATTERY OPERATED TOYS PLEASE.





### **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.



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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.







Ruan Lutz

Loving and gracious God, your son Jesus reminded us: "To love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12). May we never forget Jesus' words in all that we do. We pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life in the Archdiocese of San Antonio. Give us the gifts of the Holy Spirit so we can serve you more faithfully in our own vocations of married, single, religious or priestly life. Help us to support one another in our vocations and to work together to build up your kingdom here on earth. Amen.

We also commend to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention - November

For the Pope: We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

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-Noviembre

**Por el Papa:** Oremos por el Papa, para que en el ejercicio de su misión siga acompañando en la fe a la grey que le ha sido encomendada, con la ayuda del Espíritu Santo.

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.





#### PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY



Claire Shields Patsy Hilbig Delfino (Sonny) Ramirez Krystle Navarro Rick McCarty Gloria Martinez Nellie Coronado Jeffery Chavez Mary Tellez Mary Lee Sloan Diana Martinez Gilbert Niedenthal Rodolfo Salinas San Juana de Lerma Annette D. Navarro Roz Voss Marge Lucido Bill Phinizy Catherine Smith Tony & Rachel Delgado Maurice Flores Tracey Kollmansberger

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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 5: Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/ Mt 23:1-12

Monday 6: Rom 11:29-36/Lk 14:12-14 Tuesday 7: Rom 12:5-16b/Lk 14:15-24 Wednesday 8: Rom 13:8-10/Lk 14:25-33 Thursday 9: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/ Jn 2:13-22

Friday 10: Rom 15:14-21/Lk 16:1-8 Saturday 11: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Lk 16:9-15 Sunday 12: Wis 6:12-16/1 Thes 4:13-18/Mt 25:1-13



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"Ustedes, en cambio, no dejen que los llamen 'maestros', porque no tienen más que un Maestro y todos ustedes son hermanos. A ningún hombre sobre la tierra lo llamen 'padre', porque el Padre de ustedes es sólo el Padre celestial. No se dejen llamar 'guías', porque el guía de ustedes es solamente Cristo. Que el mayor de entre ustedes sea su servidor". - Mt 23, 8-11

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