## St. Anthony Mary Claret

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### January 14, 2024

### **GOSPEL MEDITATION: JN 1:35-42**

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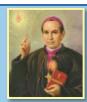
It's similar for John the Apostle. He tells

us of the two disciples who followed Jesus into his house, "...they stayed with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon." Why does that tiny detail matter? *Because that's the time of day when they encountered the love of Jesus the Messiah in their lives.* Our religion is not primarily about abstract truths about God, no matter how true or sublime. It is about God meeting and saving us in our human nature. It's about a *human* relationship.

What was the time of day when you first recall encountering Christ and his Church? Who was there? What did you feel? How did things look and smell? What happened? Take some time to recall it in detail. For me, it was inside an old, rickety church on a hillside in Jerome, Arizona. It was about 9 p. m. on a Saturday evening. I was with my friends Jenny, Brad, and Laura. We were praying, singing, and laughing. When was it for you? Remembering the details isn't empty nostalgia. It reminds us now that God's love for us in our humanity is real. — *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.



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **IN OUR PARISH**

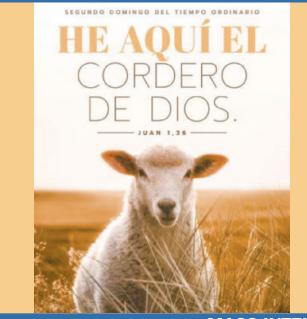


Welcome! As pastor of St. Anthony Mary Claret Catholic Church, I want to express welcome from all of us to you for choosing to become a member of our parish family. We hope you will always feel at home here and that our worship and other parochial services will fulfill your spiritual needs.

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



### Jan. 6/7 attendance & collection totals

Attendance	3,776
Regular Collection	\$ 38,059.76
RE Bldg. Debt Reduction	\$ 9,229.99
SAMC Pantry	\$ 1,245.98
Gabriel Project	\$ 555.00
Candles	\$ 489.28
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 335.00
Initial Offering	\$ 180.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 110.00
Retired Religious	\$ 75.00
Christmas	\$ 30.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 20.00
World Missons	\$ 20.00
Hope for the Future	\$ 10.00

Our next 2nd collection will be on Jan. 27/28 and will benefit the Church in Latin America (in support of priests, sisters & catechists).

### **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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ıidry	Friday, Jan. 19 8 AM	<b>BB* for Becky Langas</b> by Langas Family
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	Saturday, Jan. 20	
•	5 PM	Daniel† & Manuela Gonzales†; Tomasa
		Cabezuela <sup>†</sup> ; Sr. Victoria Hernandez <sup>†</sup> ;
		Souls in Purgatory <sup>†</sup> by F. Gonzales
X		Yolanda Torres Balboa† & Guadalupe
s <b>sy</b> nily		Rivera† by Balboa, Rivera & Quiroz Family
	Sunday, Jan. 21	
	8 AM	Elvira Bendele† & Philip Helner†
	• • • • • •	by Bea Peterson
	10 AM	Joe Borunda <sup>†</sup> by Justin Monarez
	12 PM	Aurora Dyer† by Family
	3 PM	For the Parish
	6 PM	In Thanksgiving: Legion of Mary
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### MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, Ja	an. 13
5 PM	Raquel Dinsay <sup>†</sup> by Rose & John Thorsky
	Lori Ann Samaniego† by Family
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Sunday, Jan	
8 AM	Conversion of Hayden & Andrew Guidry
	by Family
10 AM	Margaret† & Albert Suarez†; Alan J.
	<b>Ponce</b> <sup>†</sup> ; Healing for Anthony Ponce
	by Alma Ponce
	Diane Salas <sup>†</sup> by Richard & Cindy Felix
12 PM	Members of Zaiontz, Moravits & Lyssy
	Families; Souls in Purgatory <sup>†</sup> by Family
3 PM	<b>Diana Clavijo</b> † by Family
6 PM	For the Parish
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Monday, Ja	n. 15
8 AM	Souls in Purgatory† by Family
6:30 PM	Holy Hour
7:30 PM	Randy Hawkins <sup>†</sup> by Justin Monarez
Tuesday, Ja	
8 AM	<b>Sp. Int. for Gianna Cruz</b> by Emma Olech
Wednesday,	Jan. 17
8 AM	Sp. Int. for Mark. Matt & Leo Elms

### by Clare & Tom Elms

### **RESPECT LIFE**

# SANANTONIO MARCH FOR LIFE SATURDAY, JAN. 20 1-3 PM: March @ 1 PM; Rally @ 2 PM

# Equality begins in the womb.

MAIN PLAZA, 115 N. MAIN AVE.

Celebrate life protected in Texas.



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@SAMARCHFORLIFE #SAMFL2024 March For Eife SonjaHHv2021

REMEMBER THE BABIES LOST AFTER ROE V. WADE, AND REJOICE IN LIVES SAVED AFTER DOBBS.

9 Days for Life is an annual novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life.

# 9 DAYS FOR LIFE JANUARY 16-24



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### Pray to protect human life!

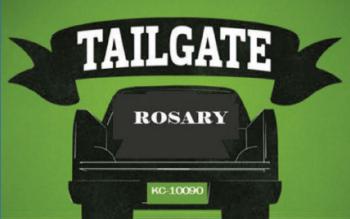
Join Catholics nationwide in prayer for the protection of human life! You can download the novena or get the daily prayers and reflections by email or text message.

Sign up at https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup to receive the daily prayers via email or text message. 9DAYSFORLIFE.COM

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### PARISH NEWS



**NEVER MISS A BULLETIN!** 

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This Week in Our Parish

Wedding:

Spencer Stephens Thompson & Daisy Lorraine Gonzalez

Quinceañera:

Evelot Lopez

Presented by SAC Knights of Columbus Council 10090

### Tuesday, Jan. 16 7 PM followed by fellowship hour

Parking lot by the pavilion Bring your family, rosaries & lawn chairs.

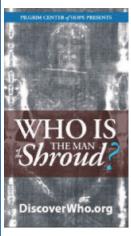


Looking for healthy fun? Enjoy a variety of music & make new friends!



St. Anthony Mary Claret Line Dancers Tuesdays, 10-11:30 AM (with 2 breaks) Msgr. Hubertus Hall Beginners welcome.





### JOURNEY WITH THE SHROUD

The Shroud of Turin is the most studied artifact in history, but is it the burial cloth that wrapped the body of Christ? Take "A Journey with the Shroud." Thursday, Jan. 18, Pilgrim Center of Hope 7680 Joe Newton Choose between the morning (10-11:30 AM) or evening (7-8:30 PM) session. Learn from a presentation, then experience the "Who is the Man of the Shroud?" museum exhibition. For more info, visit DiscoverWho.org or call 210-521-3377.

OUR LIVES **BEGIN TO** END THE DAY WE BECOME SILENT ABOUT THINGS THAT MATTER

III DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR



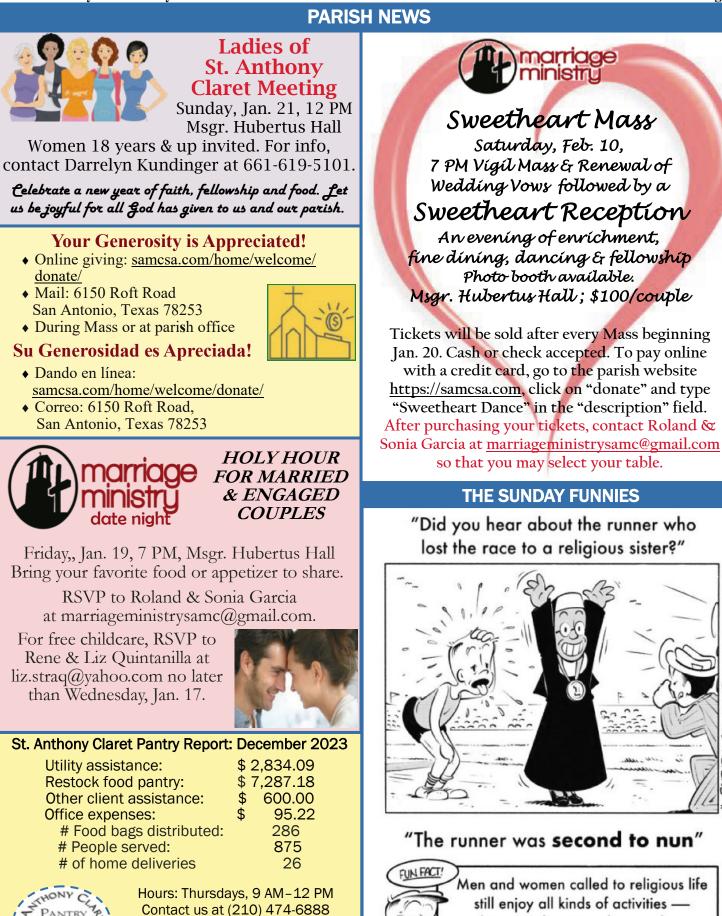
A Woman's Haven Pregnancy Crisis Center needs you! We are busier than ever. Workers are needed to serve women & their babies. We invite you to help us. Email susan.perez@awomanshaven.org to find out more.

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Thank you for supporting our mission.

"The runner was second to nun"



Men and women called to religious life still enjoy all kinds of activities cooking, reading, traveling, and yes ... even running races.

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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.





**Daniel Delgado** 

Luis Martinez

Padre Nuestro, te damos gracias por llamar a hombres y mujeres a servir en el Reino de tu Hijo como sacerdotes, diáconos y personas consagradas. Manda tu Santo Espíritu para ayudar a que otros respondan con generosidad y valentía a tu llamado. Que nuestra comunidad de fe apoye las vocaciones de amor sacrificial en nuestros jóvenes y jóvenes adultos. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo quien vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos. Amen.

We also commend to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: *Hermanas Catequistas Guadalupanas* 

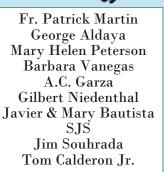
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024: Jan. 18-25

"You shall love the Lord your God... and your neighbor as yourself." - Luke 10:27

The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in

### PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Claire Shields Delfino (Sonny) Ramirez Mary Lee Sloan Diana Martinez Gilbert Niedenthal Rodolfo Salinas San Juana de Lerma Annette D. Navarro Maurice Flores Tony Salinas



NOTE: <u>All names that ran for longer than</u> <u>4 weeks last year were removed at the end of December 2023.</u> If there is a need tor them to run longer, contact the parish office.

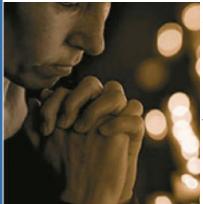
Please remember this list is reserved for *names of* <u>parishioners and immediate family only</u>. You may submit up to TWO names at a time which will usually run for four weeks.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS Sunday 14: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/ 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42 Monday 15: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22 Tuesday 16: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28 Wednesday 17: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6 Thursday18: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12 Friday 19: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19 Saturday 20: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/ Mk 3:20-21 Sunday 21: Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

2024 was selected by the Pontifical Dicastery for Promoting Christian Unity, the World Council of Churches, and the Christian Churches in Burkina Faso, coordinated by the community of *Chemin Neuf*, a French Catholic and ecumenical community of vowed and lay people and its local community in Burkina Faso.

The theme, taken from the first chapter of the Gospel of Luke, reflects the connection between love of God and love of neighbor with a particular concern for challenging the boundaries of who is considered "neighbor." In this pericope, Jesus is questioned as to the path to eternal life. His answer is not to only observe the commandments, but to also imitate the love of God in the giving of self for another. It is a call for charity, mercy, justice, and unity.

We pray, O gracious Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that we all may be one as you are one. In your community of complete unity, we have our beginning and our end. To you we pray, asking for the gift of visible unity among all who believe in your Christ.



As we commemorate this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we are reminded by your Word that all human beings are our neighbors and that we are to love them like ourselves and in the same way we love you. Help us to overcome the barriers and divisions we have nurtured against your will.

Grant to us, O Lord, a new Spirit of love and solidarity, that we may proclaim your good news to all of creation. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirt are one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Learn more here: https://www.usccb.org/committees/ecumenical-interreligious-affairs/ week-prayer-christian-unity-2024

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