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Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

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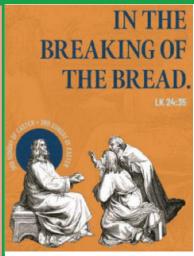
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Parish Mission Statement

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: LK 24:35-48

When I was a kid, a friend at my home parish told me, "If you get to Mass by the Gospel reading, it counts!" As a lifelong late-arriver, it's something I have told myself many times, especially in my earlier years as a Catholic. If the "it counts" is justifiable on a pathetically minimal scale of liturgical legalism, then the Gospel reading today shows how insanely wrong-headed it is, and how helpful it is to re-think the Mass in its light.

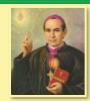
The famous "Road to Emmaus" story recounts, on that first Sunday of the Resurrection, the basic twofold structure of the Mass: Word, followed by Eucharist. Jesus spends a significant period of time with two dismayed disciples, as he connects a wide

swath of the Hebrew scriptures with his own suffering, death, and resurrection. They would later report that this Liturgy of the Word touched their hearts with an inexplicable fire. This Word-induced flame alone is what leads the two disciples to discover Jesus' presence in the "breaking of the bread."

With this in mind, how can we possibly think that the Liturgy of the Word is unnecessary or incidental? The two disciples needed the Scriptures explained to them in order to experience Jesus alive in the eucharistic breaking of bread. Sure, we say, but they had the Risen Jesus. But that's precisely the point: Jesus is risen and accompanies us in both parts of the Mass. Imagine how much our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist would deepen if we (preachers and listeners) took even more seriously that Jesus himself sets our hearts ablaze with his Word so that we know him in the Eucharist. That Word-induced fire counts, too! — 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 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

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Wed., Apr. 17

8 AM

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!

BB* for Angel & Andres Rodriguez

by Rodriguez Family

Apr. 6/7 attendance & collection totals

| Attendance | | 3,991 |
|--------------------------|------|-----------|
| Regular Collection | \$: | 34,618.23 |
| RE Bldg. Debt Reduction | \$ | 2,592.00 |
| SAMC Pantry | \$ | 1,447.00 |
| Candles | \$ | 537.09 |
| Gabriel Project | \$ | 270.00 |
| Easter | \$ | 260.00 |
| Rice Bowl | \$ | 221.00 |
| Church in the Holy Land | \$ | 136.00 |
| Catholic Home Missions | \$ | 100.00 |
| Catholic Relief Services | \$ | 100.00 |
| Capital Campaign | \$ | 50.00 |
| Rosary Makers | \$ | 50.00 |

This week's 2nd collection is for Assumption Seminary.



If angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Communion.

Jose Andres Dias Soto† by Carmen Luna

Carlos Andres Tarin† by Adrian Brown

*BB = Birthday Blessings

Family

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

| Saturday, Apr. 13 Thurs., Apr. 18 | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| 5 PM | Mary Mendiola† by Mate Family | 8 AM | BB* for Manuel Lemus by Mary Macias | |
| Sunday, Apr. 14 | | | BB* for Joe Langas by Langas Family | |
| 8 AM | BB* for Joel M. Belisario by Family | Friday, Apr. 19 |) | |
| 10 AM | Mbrs. of Zaiontz, Moravits & Lyssy | 8 AM | Sp. Int.: Ed, Mike, Robert, Fr. John, Tom, | |
| | Families; Souls in Purgatory† by Family | | Paul & Donald Ancharski | |
| 12 PM | BB* for Laura Rains by Family | | by Jeanette Erickson | |
| 3 PM | Maria Teresa Forero† by Felipe Forero | Saturday, Apr. | 20 | |
| 6 PM | For the Parish | 5 PM | For the Parish | |
| Monday, Apr. 15 | | Sunday Apr 21 | | |
| 8 AM | Living & Deceased† Mbrs of Houston & | Sunday, Apr. 2 8 AM | Teresa Ortiz† by Bea Alvarez | |
| | Karpovage Families by Family | O ANI | Mary Christine Sanchez† | |
| 6:30 PM | Holy Hour | | by her Husband Joseph | |
| 7:30 PM | Luis Serrano, Jr.† by Mother: Grace Myers | 10 AM | Margaret† & Albert Suarez†; Alan J. | |
| | | | Ponce†; Healing for Anthony Ponce | |
| Tuesday, Apr. 16 | | by Alma Ponce | | |
| 8 AM | BB* for Erica Macias by Mary Macias | 12 PM | Nancy Otto† by Steve & Sylvia Hilbig | |
| Matthew Laporte† by Donna Feerst | 3 PM | Jose Andres Dias Sotot by Carmen Luna | | |

3 PM

6 PM

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RESPECT LIFE: PRAYER & ACTION

On March 26, the U.S. Supreme Court heard oral arguments in a case that could impact the widespread accessibility of chemical abortion (abortion pills). Chemical abortions are now the most common form of abortion in the United States.

The USCCB's president and the chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Pro-Life Activities announced an nationwide invitation to prayer. Read it here: www.usccb.org/prolife/nationwide-invitation-prayer.

You can help by offering this Prayer to St. Joseph, Defender of Life daily:

Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home. As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child. We praise God that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you. May your example inspire us also to welcome, cherish, and safeguard God's most precious gift of life. Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life —especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen.

The USSCB asks Catholics to offer this prayer daily, now through June, when a decision is expected. Online and print versions of the prayer can be found at www.respectlife.org/prayer-to-st-joseph. Thank you for responding to this invitation to prayer for an end to all abortions and for the protection of women and preborn children. St. Joseph, Defender of Life, pray for us

LEARN MORE:

Media Advisory: Nationwide Invitation to Prayer for the End of Abortion and Protection of Women and Pre-Born Children (March 14, 2024)

Understanding Abortion Pills: Q&A on Chemical Abortion

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COMMUNITY NEWS

"Love God's Will" is the true story of a young priest from Houston: Fr. Ryan Stawaisz.

After graduating from Texas A&M as a petroleum engineer with a promising career ahead of him, he felt God was calling him to the priesthood. A year before his ordination, Ryan was diagnosed with cancer, and his desire became not only to do God's will, but to LOVE God's will. Despite his battle with cancer, Fr. Ryan remained steadfast in his desire to serve others and to share the love of Christ with everyone who crossed his path. His public ministry lasted a brief three years; but Fr. Ryan's witness continues to inspire people of all ages.

To learn more and to watch the official trailer, visit www.palomitafilms.com.

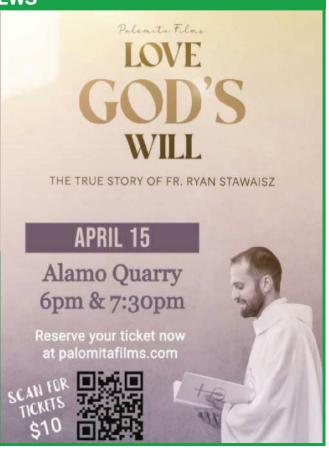




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PARISH NEWS

St. Anthony Claret Pantry Report: Mar. 2024

Utility assistance: \$ 3,628.33
Restock food pantry: \$ 3,978.16
Other client assistance: \$ 430.50
Office expenses: \$ 114.65
Food bags distributed: 266
People served: 782
of home deliveries \$ 3,628.33



Hours: Thursdays, 9 AM-12 PM Contact us at (210) 474-6888 or sacpantry@outlook.com. Thank you for your continued support.



Interested in becoming Catholic? Already Catholic but have yet to receive all your sacraments?

Join our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) classes! For more info or to register, contact Jennifer Rupert at 210-688-9033, x204.



Discernment of Spirits Workshop

Thursday, Apr. 25, 7 PM Msgr. Hubertus Hall Questions? Contact Charlie at 210-232-6094.



(210) 833-8552

Silver Seniors Luncheon Celebrating Easter & Fiesta!

Wed., Apr. 17 Msgr. Hubertus Hall Doors open 11:30 AM

For ages 55 & up

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





EXCITING NEWS!

Teen ACTS is returning to St. Anthony Mary Claret this summer! We are seeking teens or young adults who have

previously attended a Teen ACTS retreat and are interested in serving on team. If you or your teen is interested, contact Nita Feliciano at youthgroup@saclaret.com.



Need homeschooling information, support or resources?

St. Anthony Claret Homeschool Ministry can help!

Homeschool Informational Meet & Greet

Saturday, Apr. 20, 10 AM, RE bldg., room 1003 In addition to answers, we'll provide coffee & breakfast tacos!

For more info, contact Marisol Garduno at 210-994-4562.

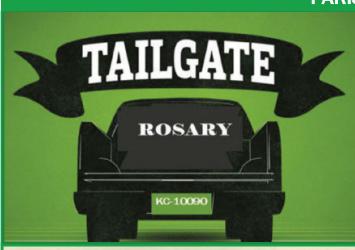
"Parents have the first responsibility for the education of their children. They bear witness to this responsibility first by creating a home where tenderness, forgiveness, respect, fidelity, and disinterested service are the rule. The home is well suited for education in the virtues."

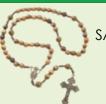
– Catechism of the Catholic Church, No. 2223



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PARISH NEWS





Presented by SAC Knights of Columbus Council 10090

Tuesday, Apr. 16 7 PM followed by fellowship hour

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



Free College \$\$\$ for High School Seniors!

Our parish's Knights of Columbus Council #10090, Men's Club, Ladies of St. Anthony Claret and Laude Homeschool Ministry will award a few \$500 scholarships to qualified parish high school seniors intent on pursuing higher education. Applications may be downloaded and printed from the parish Facebook page, website (samcsa.com) or picked up in the church narthex. Completed application packet must be MAILED to the parish office and postmarked by Friday, April 26, 2024.



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The Legion of Mary is starting a new Spanish active group! First meeting:

Tuesday, April 16, 6:30 PM, building E

¡La Legion de Maria está iniciando un nuevo grupo activo español! Primera reunion:

El martes, 16 de abril, a las 6:30 PM, edificio E



SMOKED BBQ PLATE FUNDRAISER

Sunday, Apr. 14, 9 AM — 2 PM; Msgr. Hubertus Hall \$12 cash or check; \$12.50 debit/credit card



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

First Communion Parent Class

Sunday, Apr. 14, 1:30-2:30 PM Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Confirmation Parent Class

Wednesday, Apr. 17, 6:45-7:45 PM Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Girls Confirmation Retreat

Saturday, Apr. 20, 8:30 AM Msgr. Hubertus Hall through 5 PM Mass in the church



THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

How does a farmer mend his overalls? With cabbage patches.



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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.







John Bonnin

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. Amen.

We also commend to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life:

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Our Blessed Mother & the Annunciation

"[Mary] does not remain locked in her initial troubled state at the proximity of God in his angel, but she seeks to understand. So Mary

appears as a fearless woman, one who remains composed even in the presence of something utterly unprecedented.

At the same time she stands before us as a woman of great interiority, who holds heart and mind in harmony and seeks to understand the context, the overall significance of God's message. In this way, she becomes an image of the Church as she considers the word of God, tries to understand it in its entirety and guards in her memory the things that have been given to her."

—Pope Benedict XVI

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BAPTISM CLASS

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





PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY



Ellen Robertson
Alejandro De Luna
Jenna Ondrusek
Mary Macias
Judy Lopez
Tracey Kollmansberger
Claire Shields
Al Mares
Marylen Dunk
Diana Martinez
Gilbert Niedenthal
Rodolfo Salinas
San Juana de Lerma

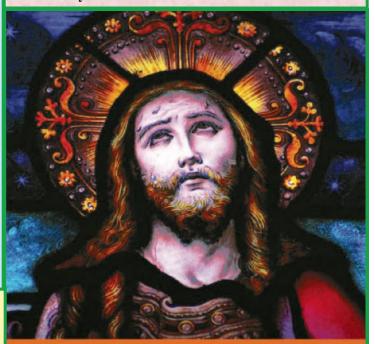
Annette D. Navarro
Maurice Flores
Tony Salinas
Fr. Patrick Martin
George Aldaya
Mary Helen Peterson
Barbara Vanegas
A.C. Garza
Gilbert Niedenthal
Javier & Mary Bautista
SJS
Jim Souhrada
Tom Calderon Jr.

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

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 14: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/1 Jn 2:1-5a/ Lk 24:35-48

Monday 15: Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29 Tuesday 16: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Jn 6:30-35 Wednesday 17: Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40 Thursday 18: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51 Friday 19: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59 Saturday 20: Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69 Sunday 21: Acts 4:8-12/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18



3^{ER} DOMINGO DEPASCUA

Después les dijo: "Lo que ha sucedido es aquello de que les hablaba yo, cuando aún estaba con ustedes: que tenía que cumplirse todo lo que estaba escrito de mí en la ley de Moisés, en los profetas y en los salmos ... Ustedes son testigos de esto". - Lc 24, 44. 48

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