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He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant,

which will be shed for many." - Mk 14:24

June 2, 2024

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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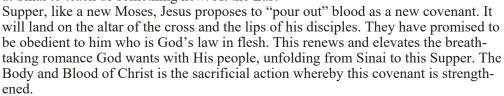
We, the people of St. Anthony Mary Claret Parish, have as our mission to open our hearts and doors to those from all walks of life so that they too may share in the everlasting presence of God. Together we strive to grow closer to Jesus Christ through the Holy Eucharist. We work to foster the development of the parish, not only to strengthen our own spiritual awareness, but to impact

the community as a whole.

GOSPEL MEDITATION: MK 28:14:12-16, 22-26

The best way to understand the Eucharist is to recall God's long, careful teaching process beginning in the Old Testament. This week in Exodus 24, we learn the basic pattern. Moses reads the dictates of God's law to the people, who profess their allegiance to it. Then Moses takes representatives of Israel's twelve tribes and splashes the sacrificed blood of animals in two directions: on the altar and on the people. It's clear and serious business: clear, because the participants are entering a blood-bond with God Himself; serious, because the dead animals symbolize the life-and-death stakes at play.

Many centuries later, God uses the experience at Sinai to teach us something new. At the Last



How hopeful that, like us, the Israelites and the apostles repeatedly fail to live up to their promises and discover that the blood of the covenant continually renews and refreshes them. Today the blood of Christ faithfully flows, to unite and renew, moving us forward toward where our great teacher is taking us. This week, we should say a renewed "amen" to God who so carefully teaches us how to be one with Him in this new covenant.

— 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

May 25/26 attendance & collection totals

Attendance		3,265
Regular Collection	\$ 20	6,405.85
SAMC Pantry	\$ 2	2,368.98
RE Debt Reduction	\$	703.12
Candles	\$	492.16
Stephen's Ministry	\$	220.00
Gabriel Project	\$	150.00
Rosary Makers	\$	30.00
Capital Campaign	\$	25.00

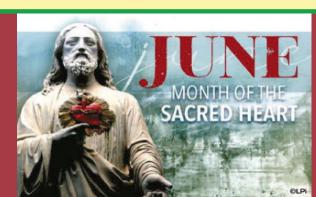
This week's 2nd collection is for the Priests' Pension collection.



Hora Santa Bilingüe para Las Vocaciones

Bilingual Holy Hour for Vocations

el jueves, 6 de junio Thursday, June 6, 6:30 PM *Misa/Mass: 7:30 PM*



St. Anthony Mary Claret First Friday Mass Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Friday, June 7, 8 AM



Healing Mass

Monday, June 3 7:30 PM (after Holy Hour)



MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, June 1	*** FIRST	SATURDAY	***
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8 AM BB* for Madeleine Shearer

by Bea Peterson

Willie Gonzalez† by Delvalle Family

5 PM Celina Serrano† by Grandmother:

Grace Myers

Sunday, June 2

8 AM Marcelino Armendariz† by Teresa Revilla
10 AM Loreto Tamondong† by Gina Mrozinski

12 PM Good Health for Marc Straquadine

by Mom

3 PM For the Parish

6 PM June Wolf† by Family

Monday, June 3

8 AM Katherine Zeringue-Schmidt†

by John Debner

6:30 PM Holy Hour

7:30 PM HEALING MASS—Ignez Gonsalves†

by Stephen & Girley Klimczak

Tuesday, June 4

8 AM Peaceful Death for John Grenardo

by Helena & Steve Thomas

Wed., June 5

8 AM Immaculata Kubebatu† by Alicea Family

Thurs., June 6

8 AM James† & Henry Pawelek†; Alois† &

Florence Olenick† by Olenick Family

6:30 PM Holy Hour

7:30 PM For Religious Vocations
Friday, June 7 *** FIRST FRIDAY ***

8 AM Souls in Purgatory† & World Peace

by Alicia Medina

BB* for Isaian Luna by Family

Saturday, June 8

5 PM David Gonzales† by Family

Sunday, June 9

8 AM Petra Rosas Acosta† & Isidro Telles

Acosta† by Rachel Carrizales

10 AM Pablo Cunanan, Sr.† by Family

12 PM Spec. Int. for Rachel Flores by Theater Cast

3 PM For the Parish

6 PM Healing for Crystal Martinez by Friend

*BB = Birthday Blessings

LOVE & MARRIAGE

Intimacy & Cohabitation

As a dating or engaged couple, you have probably discussed where to draw the line about sexual intimacy before marriage. The Catholic Church teaches that every act of sexual intercourse is intended by God to express love, commitment, and openness to life in the total gift of the spouses to each other. This total commitment is possible only in marriage.

As you move towards marriage, it's important to make sure that sexual intimacy builds on other kinds of intimacy and does not short circuit your knowing each other on many levels.

What are those other levels? John Van Epp, Ph.D. explains in his book, *How To Avoid Marrying a Jerk*, that a healthy sexual relationship comes in stages of bonding:

- 1. Knowledge of the other beyond the superficial
- 2. Trust in the other to be a person of integrity
- 3. Reliability of the other to be a person you can count on
- 4. Commitment to the other that is not temporary
- 5. Sexual touch in which you give yourself fully to your beloved

Van Epp says the order is important. Couples should "never go further in one bonding area than you have gone in the previous." The risk of disappointment and going beyond your safety zone will not bring you lasting happiness.



Steps leading to sexual intimacy, however, are not the whole of what intimacy is about. Long-married couples know that intimacy includes so much more than just the physical. The emotional intimacy of being able to share your most private and cherished thoughts is a prerequisite for a fulfilling marriage. Knowing that you can be vulnerable and your spouse will not use sensitive information to hurt you is another form of intimacy. Realizing that your relationship does not depend on looks, talent, success, or perfection is a kind of intimacy that money cannot buy.

What about couples who live together before marriage? How does this impact a future marriage and ability to be intimate on more than just the sexual level? Given the high divorce rate, it would seem logical to live together before marriage in order to know your partner more fully.

As intuitive as this assumption sounds, current research does not bear it out. Studies show that:

- Women in cohabiting relationships, and their children, are more likely to be abused.
- Cohabiting couples have lower levels of happiness and well-being compared to married couples.

Why does living together before marriage to prevent divorce end up harming one's marriage? The answer has to do with the dynamics of commitment. Cohabiting before marriage generally means that at least one partner is not ready to commit to a permanent relationship. One or both partners are holding something back. They might be censoring their words and actions to put their best foot forward, lest they lose the relationship. In other words, what you see may not be what you end up getting. Communication may not be completely honest. For example, the couple may avoid sensitive subjects that they fear will disturb the relationship. One partner may give in unduly out of fear that the other will leave.

Another pitfall of cohabiting is "low commitment/high autonomy" relationships. This means that since the couple's commitment to each other is not yet complete, each retains a degree of independence in the relationship. The longer this pattern continues the harder it is to make the transition to the high commitment needed for marriage.

Does this mean that cohabiting couples are doomed to misery and divorce? No, but it does give the thoughtful person cause to pause and re-evaluate. Whitehead and Popenoe recommend the following:

• Consider not living together at all before marriage. There is no evidence that cohabitors who eventually marry will have a stronger marriage than those who don't live together. Instead, they may be at greater risk for divorce. Some studies indicate that those who live together with definite plans for marriage are at minimal risk; however, there are no positive effects from cohabiting.

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Intimacy & Cohabitation

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• **Do not make a habit of cohabiting.** Be aware of the dangers of multiple living together experiences. Contrary to popular wisdom, multiple cohabiting experiences do not teach one how to have better relationships.

• Understand the danger of lengthy cohabitation. The longer you live together with a partner, the more likely that the low-commitment ethic of cohabitation will take hold, the opposite of what a successful marriage requires.

• **Do not cohabit if children are involved.** Cohabiting parents break up at a much higher rate than married parents. Moreover, children living in cohabiting unions with stepfathers or mothers' boyfriends are at higher risk of sexual abuse and physical violence.

From www.foryourmarriage.org, a part of the National Pastoral Initiative for Marriage, an initiative of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to communicate the meaning and value of married life for the Church and for society. Used with permission.



St Anthony Mary Claret Bunco Night

Saturday, June 8; Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Doors open: 6 PM Meal: 6:30 PM; Bunco 7 PM

Tickets: \$12 for bunco, dinner & dessert Ages 10 & over

Silent auction & door prizes!

LAST CHANCE to get your presale tickets is THIS weekend!

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Vacation Bible School (VBS) June 24-28

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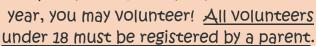
Participant registration closes Monday, June 3 at 11:59 PM.

2 session times available: 9 AM-12 PM or 5:30-8 PM \$40 per student/family Cap is \$100.

Children who will complete kindergarten-4th grade in the 2023-24 school year may participate. Children ages 4-5 who have not completed kindergarten may attend the preschool class. For more info, contact Maragret Ranalli at 850-499-6329.



If you will be 6th grade or above for the 2024-25 school



Teen volunteers must register online at this link:

https://vacation-bible-school-vbs-registration -form-temp-93793.Cheddarup.com

or scan this QR code.



This Week in Our Parish

Quinceañera:

Andrea Lopez

PARISH NEWS

St. Anthony Claret Two Hearts Charismatic Prayer Group

Every First Wednesday Next meeting: June 5, 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.



Discernment of Spirits Workshop

Tuesday, June 11, 7-8:30 PM Msgr. Hubertus Hall Sign up after Masses THIS weekend.

Questions? Contact Charlie at 210-232-6094.



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!

Faith reflection & fellowship Saturday, June 8, 9-11 AM

Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Light breakfast provided.

Questions? Email wow.samc@amail.com.

Women of the Well

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.

COMING THIS SUMMER!

ST. ANTHONY MARY CLARET TEEN ACT S RETREAT

Thursday, July 18 – Sunday, July 21
Cordi Marian Retreat Center; cost: \$225
Open to teens with high school experience.
Registration forms available beginning this weekend in the narthex.
Questions? Contact Nita Feliciano at email youthgroup@saclaret.com
or 210-688-9033, x209.

THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

Two cows were chatting in the pasture. One said, "Have you heard about the mad cow

disease that is going around?" "Yeah," the other cow answered. "Makes me glad I'm a penguin."



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COMMUNITY NEWS



Come to Me

"Come to Me" Catholic Women's Conference

Saturday, July 27
Norris Conference Center
This "spa for the soul" includes
outstanding speakers, healing time
with Jesus, encouragement from
other women, and much more!
Register at CWCSanAntonio.com
or contact Pilgrim Center of Hope
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FAITH & PRAYER

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

Pray for for an increase in vocations to religious life. This month we especially pray for these two local seminarians.





Luis De La Cruz

Luis Horacio Gómez

Father, we're your people, the work of your hands.

So precious are we in your sight that you sent your Son, Jesus. Jesus calls us to heal the broken-hearted, to dry the tears of those who mourn, to give hope to those who despair, and to rejoice in your steadfast love. We, the baptized, realize our call to serve. Help us to know how. Call forth from among us priests, sisters, brothers and lay ministers. With our hearts you continue to love your people. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

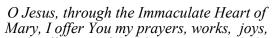
We also commend to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life:

Marianists—Society of Mary

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention - June

For migrants fleeing their homes:

We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.



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 – Junio

Por los que huyen de su país:

Oremos para que los migrantes que huyen de las guerras o del hambre, obligados a viajes llenos de peligro y violencia, encuentren aceptación y nuevas oportunidades de vida en sus países de acogida.

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



Lora Kelly Studley
Jenna Ondrusek
Alejandro De Luna
Tracey Kollmansberger
Claire Shields
Al Mares
Marylen Dunk
Diana Martinez
Gilbert Niedenthal
Rodolfo Salinas
San Juana de Lerma
Annette D. Navarro

Ciara Tamondong

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 2: Ex 24:3-8/Heb 9:11-15/ Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Monday 3: 2 Pt 1:2-7/Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday 4: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday 5: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/Mk 12:18-27 Thursday 6: 2 Tm 2:8-15/Mk 12:28-34

Friday 7: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/ Jn 19:31-37

Saturday 8: 2 Tm 4:1-8/Lk 2:41-51 Sunday 9: Gn 3:9-15/2 Cor 4:13—5:1/Mk 3:20-35



EL CUERPO Y LA SANGRE DE CRISTO

Y tomando en sus manos una copa de vino, pronunció la acción de gracias, se la dio, todos bebieron y les dijo: "Esta es mi sangre, sangre de la alianza, que se derrama por todos. Yo les aseguro que no volveré a beber del fruto de la vid hasta el día en que beba el vino nuevo en el Reino de Dios". - Mc 14, 23-25

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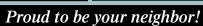
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