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August 11, 2024

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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: JN 6:41-51

This week we hear Jesus say, "He that believes in me, has eternal life" (John 6:47). These straightforward words, uttered by human lips, sound — how to put this? — insane. Who could possibly say such a thing? Jesus says things that are so high, so demanding, so beyond our capacity to fathom, we hardly know what to do with them and (if you're like me), they usually go in one ear and out the other. So, let us ask: how can believing in him lead to eternal life?

To believe in something means not just to acknowledge its existence, but also to orient yourself entirely to it. If a football player believes in his team, it means he puts his life totally at the

'This is the bread that comes down from

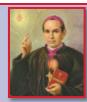
heaven so that one may eat it and not die." -Jn 6:50

service of that goal. If a student believes in her dream to become a doctor, she gives everything she has to her studies and preparation for her MCAT test. Belief means to move boldly toward something we love, and trust is possible to attain.

What is the highest possible good at which we can aim? It is God himself, the gift of eternal life without end. Jesus has made this "good" possible in and through his human nature. To believe in him means to have him as our ultimate goal. This week let's believe the truth of these words and make practical decisions to orient ourselves toward what we see available in him: eternal life. - 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 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.

Ouinceañera 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.



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary

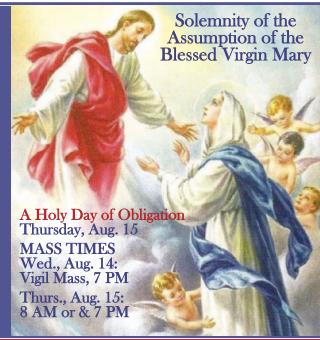
IN OUR PARISH



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!

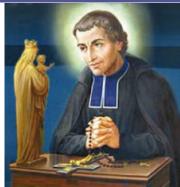
Sincerely in Christ, Rev. Jan P. Klak



Aug. 3/4 attendance & collection totals

| Attendance | 3,335 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Regular Collection | \$ 37,665.81 |
| SAMC Pantry | \$ 1,652.97 |
| RE Bldg. Debt Reduction | \$ |
| Candles | \$ 424.91 |
| Gabriel Project | \$ 390.00 |
| Stephen Ministry | \$ 200.00 |
| Rosary Makers | \$ 75.00 |
| Peter's Pence | \$ 20.00 |

"True devotion to Our Lady is holy; that is to say, it leads the soul to avoid sin and to imitate the virtues of the Blessed Virgin, particularly her profound humility, her lively faith, her blind obedi-



ence, her continual prayer, her universal mortification, her divine purity, her ardent charity, her heroic patience, her angelic sweetness and her divine wisdom. These are the ten principal virtues of the most holy Virgin."

- St. Louis De Montfort, 1673-1716

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

| Saturday, Aug. 5 PM | 10 Rafael Hernandez† by Hernandez Family BB* for Veronica Macias by Mary Macias | Thursday, Aug | . 15 *** PARISH OFFICE CLOSED *** *** SOLEMNITY: ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY *** |
|---------------------------------|---|-------------------------|---|
| Sunday, Aug. 1 8 AM 10 AM | | 8 AM 7 PM | Spiritual Healing/Strength for Humanity; Souls in Purgatory† by M. Gonzales Ray Denis† & Sheila Hunt† by Robbie Alicea |
| 12 PM 3 PM | BB* for Melissa Ajick by Family For the Parish | Friday, Aug. 16 8 AM | Connie Lyssy† by Lyssy Family |
| 6 PM Monday, Aug. 1 | Delvia Rodriguez† by Sister, Lydia Reynolds, & Family | Saturday, Aug. 5 PM | 17P. Mendoza† by Mendoza FamilyBB* for Beatrice Alvarez by Family |
| 8 AM 6:30 PM 7:30 PM | Mary V. Rodrigues [†] by Alicea Family Holy Hour Sp. Int.: Tracy, Dave, Dylan, Sara, August, | Sunday, Aug. 1 8 AM | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , |
| Tuesday, Aug. 1 | & Ryan Adderholt by Jeanette Erickson | 10 AM | In Thanksgiving: Larry & Marge Lucido by Family |
| 8 AM | Health for Frances Gentry by Son & Family Marge Lucido [†] by Larry Lucido & Family | 12 PM | Healing for Adobas Family by Rowell & Family |
| Wednesday, Au 7 PM | eg. 14 *** NO MORNING MASS *** Health for Barbara Nay by John Debner | 3 PM 6 PM | Rosario Huemer† by Felipe Forero Theresa Eluemunoh† by Philomena Ubajaka *BB = Birthday Blessings |

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

RESPECT LIFE

Intercessions for Life

For those grieving after a miscarriage: may they be comforted by God's everlasting love and his presence amidst their sorrow. We pray to the Lord.



Intercesiones por la Vida

Por las personas afligidas después de un aborto espontáneo: para que sean consoladas por el amor eterno de Dios y Su presencia en medio de su dolor. Roguemos al Señor.

project rachel FIND HELP. WHO WE ARE FORGIVENESS. Women who seek closure, help healing, and God's mercy after abortion HEALING. HOPE. WHAT WE ARE A half day retreat in a private location WHEN IT IS 8/17/24, Saturday 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM WHY DO IT To become aware of and receive the loving mercy of God after abortion, at no cost to attend this retreat. We will also make reconciliation available to those in need.

Catholic Charities Acadele Chartes

REFLECTION ON THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Solemnity of the Assumption celebrates the Blessed Mother's entrance into heavenly glory. The Catechism explains that Mary "was taken up body and soul into the glory of heaven, where she already shares in the glory of her Son's Resurrection, anticipating the resurrection of all members of his Body" (CCC, 974).

Mary's Assumption into heaven reminds us that life on earth is a pilgrimage to our ultimate destination. We prepare in hope for our own passage into eternal life by the choices we make today. When we choose to love and follow God in our daily lives, we strengthen our relationship with Him, and this relationship is the true meaning of heaven: "To live in heaven is 'to be with Christ" (CCC, 1025).

We can see how, throughout her life, the Blessed Mother continually chose to go deeper into her relationship with God. She modeled how to value and respect His precious gift of human life, from the



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moment of conception to its natural end. In the Annunciation, through her "yes," Mary witnessed to the undeniable humanity of pre-born children as she conceived and carried the Christ child in her womb. After the Annunciation, having learned that her cousin Elizabeth was with child, she went in haste to her aid.

Our Blessed Mother shows us how the way we live today can prepare us, in hope, to also enter into heavenly glory at the end of our lives. Are we open to God's precious gift of new life? How do we support pregnant mothers and parents? Do we prioritize showing our love to those who are ill or aging? Do we care for them in a way that respects God's gift of life?

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

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RESPECT LIFE



for the 2024-25 school year to teach the Catholic faith to parish students. Interested? Contact Jennifer Rupert at 210-688-9033 x204 or reoffice@saclaret.com.

REWARD

PERSONAL SATISFACTION GUARANTEED



Religious Ed. Registration

Register in the RE building after all Masses now through Aug. 31. This includes all Communion, Confirmation prep and continuing faith formation classes. Bring child's birth certificate, Baptismal Certificate & First Communion certificate where applicable. Cost: \$45



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 info or to register, contact Jennifer Rupert at 210-688-9033, x204.

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SAMC Men's Club BBQ Plate Sale

Sunday, Aug. 18, after all Masses Msgr. Hubertus Hall Brisket, sausage link, beans, potato salad. \$13 cash/check; \$13.50 credit or **I** Square



Pre-paid tickets will be sold at Masses prior to Aug 18.

St. Anthony Mary Claret Women of the Well



This month's event took place this Saturday, Aug. 10 at 9-11 AM and will <u>NOT</u> be held Aug. 20. Our apologies that the previously published date of Aug. 20 was <u>incorrect</u> and for any <u>confusion it may have caused</u>. Questions? Email wow.samc@gmail.com.



La Legión de Maria les invita a el nuevo grupo activo en español.

Las reuniones son todos los martes a las 6:30 PM en edificio E.

Si tiene preguntas puede llamar a Maria de Lourdes: 281-507-4822.

PARISH NEWS



Planning a quinceañera at our parish? ¿Estás planeando una quinceañera en nuestra parroquia?



MANDATORY Quinceañera Orientation for <u>parents & daughters</u>. *Quinceañera MUST attend orientation & MUST already be enrolled in Confirmation class.* Thursday, Aug. 22, 7 PM, Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Orientación de quinceañera OBLIGATORIA para <u>padres y niñas</u>. *La quinceañera DEBE asistir a la orientación y DEBE estar ya inscrita en la clase de Confirmación*. El jueves 22 de agosto, 7 PM, Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Call the parish office to register. Llamar a la oficina parroquial para registrarse. 210-688-9033



AUGUST BAPTISM CLASS HAS BEEN CANCELED. Next class: Tuesday. Sept. 3

7 PM, RE Bldg., 1st floor

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 Online: <u>samcsa.com/home/welcome/</u> <u>donate/</u>

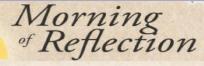


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- En persona: durante la misa o dejándolo en la oficina parroquia





COMMUNITY NEWS



Have you ever wondered why Jesus asked so many questions? According to some Biblical scholars, there are well over 100 questions recorded in the New Testament that Jesus asked. Why would Jesus, the Son of God ask so many questions? Come learn, pray & reflect on some of Jesus' key questions for you.

"Questions Jesus Asked" Saturday, Aug. 17, 10 AM - 12:30 PM Pilgrim Center of Hope 7680 Joe Newton Presenter: Catholic evangelist Mary Jane Fox Learn & reflect on some of Jesus' key questions for you from Scripture. Renew your spirit! Includes prayer in Gethsemane Chapel, presentation, and time for reflection. Register for \$20 at PilgrimCenterOfHope.org or Regina Gaeli Classical Hybrid Education in the Catholic Tradition

Regina Caeli is a private, independent, *Classical Homeschool Hybrid™* operating in the Catholic tradition. Preschool - 12thgrade students attend classical academic and extracurricular classes two days a week and homeschool the remaining days. Contact Craig Cowley at <u>ccowley.sat@rcahybrid.org</u> or the admissions representative at <u>admissions@rcahybrid.org</u> for more info. We're hiring qualified teachers for the 2024-25 academic year! Apply online at <u>https://rcahybrid.isolvedhire.com/ jobs/</u>. Learn about us at <u>www.rcahybrid.org</u>.

THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

"Before we work on artificial intelligence, why don't we do something about natural stupidity?"



FAITH & PRAYER

August 11, 2024

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

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





Joseph Duque

Erick Cruz

O God, our Father, You have called us in Baptism to follow your Son Jesus through lives of loving service to You and to one another. Grant us Your assistance, guided by the Holy Spirit, to live out our vocation in life. We pray especially for those who have answered Your call as priests, brothers, sisters, deacons and lay ministers. Keep them faithful in following Your Son and dedicated in serving their brothers and sisters. Grant that many more men and women will be open to the challenge of dedicating their lives in the ministry of building Your Kingdom. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

We also commend to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: Marian Community of Reconciliation (Fraternas)

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

Kasha Zike David Windsor Soledad Tapiador David Curry Alejandro De Luna Tracey Kollmansberger Al Mares Marylen Dunk Diana Martinez **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 SJŚ 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 11: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Eph 4:30-5:2/Jn 6:41-51 Monday 12: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Mt 17:22-27 Tuesday 13: Ez 2:8-3:4/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 Wednesday 14: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Mt 18:15-20 Thursday 15: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/ 1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56 Friday 16: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63/Mt 19:3-12 Saturday 17: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Mt 19:13-15 Sunday 18: Prv 9:1-6/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58

19° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

"Yo soy el pan de la vida. Sus padres comieron el maná en el desierto y sin embargo, murieron. Este es el pan que ha bajado del cielo para que, quien lo coma, no muera". - Jn 6. 48-50

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