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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 18, 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.



"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. — JN 6:56

GOSPEL MEDITATION: JN 6:51-58

A priest I know was asked by a door-to-door evangelist, "Do you believe in Jesus?" He answered, "Yes, I do. But if I may ask you," he continued, "Where do you experience Jesus' body and blood?" His interlocutor responded somewhat confusedly, "I don't. I just believe in him. That's all that is needed." Later my priest friend would relate to me, "The more I thought about it, that response struck me as totally inadequate. As human beings, we need to encounter Jesus' body and blood, not just hear about him and mentally believe. Otherwise, Jesus is just a ghost."

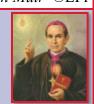
This week we see this central point as we arrive at the climactic moment of Jesus' teaching on the Eucharist. Jesus has established the importance of believing in him as the "bread of life come down from heaven." Belief deeply matters because it leads to a real, bodily encounter with Jesus through eating and drinking. That's why Jesus emphasizes to an almost outrageous degree the non-metaphorical necessity to "eat my flesh and drink my blood" (John 6:54). The real presence of Jesus' body and blood — he himself, truly, really, substantially — has been the Church's treasure since Holy Thursday. Internal belief in the heart and the ritual act of eating and drinking the Eucharist, the Church has stubbornly insisted on both, not just one or the other.

This is not meant to criticize non-Catholic Christians who deeply trust and love Jesus, nor is it a triumphal elitist claim about the Catholic Mass. Rather it is a humble, trusting acknowledgement that God in Jesus comes to us in a way most proper to human beings: in our hearts and our bodies, faith and the Eucharist.

— 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.

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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Aug. 10/11 attendance & collection totals Attendance 3,344 Regular Collection \$ 37,454.48 SAMC Pantry \$ 1,031.28 RE Bldg. Debt Reduction \$ 950.00 Candles \$ 486.67 Capital Campaign \$ 50.00



by Daughters

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

| Saturday, Aug 5 PM Sunday, Aug. 8 AM | P. Mendoza† by Mendoza Family BB* for Beatrice Alvarez by Family | Thursday, Aug 8 AM | Spiritual Healing/Strength for Current/ Future Descendants of Daniel R.† & Manuela M. Gonzales†; Souls in Purgatory† by Y. Gonzales BB* for Luis Astorga by Family |
|---|---|---------------------------------|--|
| 10 AM 12 PM | In Thanksgiving: Larry & Marge Lucido by Family Healing for Adobas Family by Rowell & | Friday, Aug. 23 8 AM | Clara Mueller† by Bea Peterson Susana J. Gonzalez† by Gonzalez Family |
| 3 PM 6 PM Monday, Aug. | Family Rosario Huemer† by Felipe Forero Theresa Eluemunoh† by Philomena Ubajaka 19 | Saturday, Aug. 5 PM | Nancy Otto† by Greg Otto BB* for Adrienne Garcia & Eddie Lopez by Alice Lopez |
| 8 AM 6:30 PM | Leopold & Antoinette Zakrzewski† by Family Holy Hour | Sunday, Aug. 2 8 AM 10 AM | 25 For the Parish Richard & Enedina De La Rosa† |

12 PM

3 PM

6 PM

Tuesday, Aug. 20

7:30 PM

8 AM BB* for Leo Banda by Family

by E. Hernandez

Wednesday, Aug. 21

8 AM Danilo B. Taliman† by Wife & Children

In Thanksgiving: George Hernandez

*BB = Birthday Blessings

Magin Hernandez† by Jose Hernandez Rigoberto Anaya† by Anaya Family

Elvira Bendele† by Bea Peterson

PARISH NEWS





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

RCIA Consideration for Victor

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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For daughters of any age Saturday, Sept. 21, 6:30 – 10 PM Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Menu: sandwiches, chips, fruit, chocolate fondue, water & tea
Enjoy an evening featuring a photo booth, music (DJ) and dancing.
\$25 per person ~ cash, check or charge

Theme: Beauty & the Beast Each daughter will receive a tiara! Pre-sale tickets on sale after

Masses Aug. 24/25 — Sept. 14/15.



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St. Anthony Mary Claret













Come spend time getting to know and visit with fellow parishioners.

Contact the parish office for more info!







October 20, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Rev Up Your Engines! Join us at Unity Day for a Classic Car Show that will take you back in time. Shine, Style, and History, bringing our community together!

The car show will be held weather permitting.

SEPTEMBER BAPTISM CLASS

Tuesday, Sept. 3 7 PM, RE Bldg., 1st floor



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 • Square



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



This Week in Our Parish

Quinceañera:

Sofia Viviana Munoz

St. Anthony Claret Pantry Report: July 2024

Utility assistance: \$7,106.28
Restock food pantry: \$6,832.94
Other client assistance: \$1,250.07
Office expenses: \$368.18
Food bags distributed: 254
People served: 749
of home deliveries 29



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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 parents & daughters.

Quinceañera MUST attend orientation & MUST already be enrolled in Confirmation class.

Thursday, Aug. 22, 7 PM, Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Orientación de quinceañera OBLIGATORIA para padres y niñas.

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



Tuesday, Aug. 27, 7-8:30 PM, Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Sign up after Masses THIS weekend or via text to 210-232-6094.

You are invited to the **Silver Rose Mass**

Tuesday, Aug. 27, 7 PM in the church



Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights of Columbus along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.





Silver Seniors Luncheon

Wed., Aug. 21

Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Doors open 11:30 AM.

For ages 55 & up



THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

I got my husband a fridge for his birthday. His face lit up when he opened it!



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FAITH & PRAYER

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

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







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)



"An excellent method of preserving interior silence is to keep exterior silence... even in the world, each one of us can make his own solitude, a boundary beyond which nothing can force its way unperceived. It is not noise in itself that is the difficulty. but noise that is pointless; it is not every conversation, but

useless conversations; not all kinds of occupation,

but aimless occupations. In point of fact, everything that does not serve some good purpose is harmful. It is foolish, nay, more, it is a betrayal to devote to a useless objective powers that can be given to what is essential. There are two ways of separating ourselves from almighty God, quite different from one another but both disastrous, although for different reasons: mortal sin and voluntary distractions—mortal sin, which objectively breaks off our union with God, and voluntary distractions, which subjectively interrupt or hinder our union from being as close as it ought to be. We should speak only when it is preferable not to keep silence. The Gospel does not say merely that we shall have to give an account of every evil word, but of every idle thought."

— Doctor of the Church St. Alphonsus Liguori, 1696~1787



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



Stephen Burford 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 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 18: Prv 9:1-6/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58 Monday 19: Ez 24:15-23/Mt 19:16-22 Tuesday 20: Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30 Wednesday 21: Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16 Thursday 22: Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14 Friday 23: Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40 Saturday 24: Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51 Sunday 25: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32/ Jn 6:60-69



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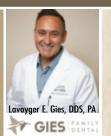
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