

# St. Anthony Mary Claret

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August 25, 2024

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Rev. Dr. Jan P. Klak,  
Ph.L., S.T.L., Ph.D.

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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 6:60-69

The famous Russian novelist Fyodor Dostoyevsky said, “Love in action is a harsh and dreadful thing.” In the Gospel reading this week, Jesus does something harsh and dreadful — he watches his own disciples abandon him. What could possibly be loving about that?

Well, we notice the context is Jesus’ teaching about eating and drinking his body and blood. His followers hear this and say, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” (John 6:60). We shouldn’t imagine we’d do anything different, because not even the ones who stay, like Peter, seem to understand what Jesus is saying. Then we hear this devastating line, “Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him” (John 6:66). Besides the

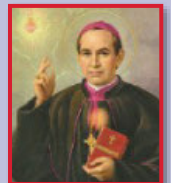
night of the Last Supper, only now do Jesus’ disciples abandon him. And, painfully, Jesus just lets them go.

The best way to make sense out of this is love. Jesus is God’s love in action. He wants to become one with those whom He loves. He wants to love them as His own body. Yes, the oneness manifested in the Eucharist sounds harsh and dreadful because it is rooted in love which is willing to risk abandonment and separation to attain its goal: to be one body with the beloved. It is both terrifying and wonderful that Jesus will risk losing us in order to be one with us. Our response? Lord, we cannot grasp a love so great, but please help us never to abandon it, either.

— *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.

**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](http://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. 18/19 attendance & collection totals**

Attendance	3,627
Regular Collection	\$ 31,674.30
SAMC Pantry	\$ 6,254.00
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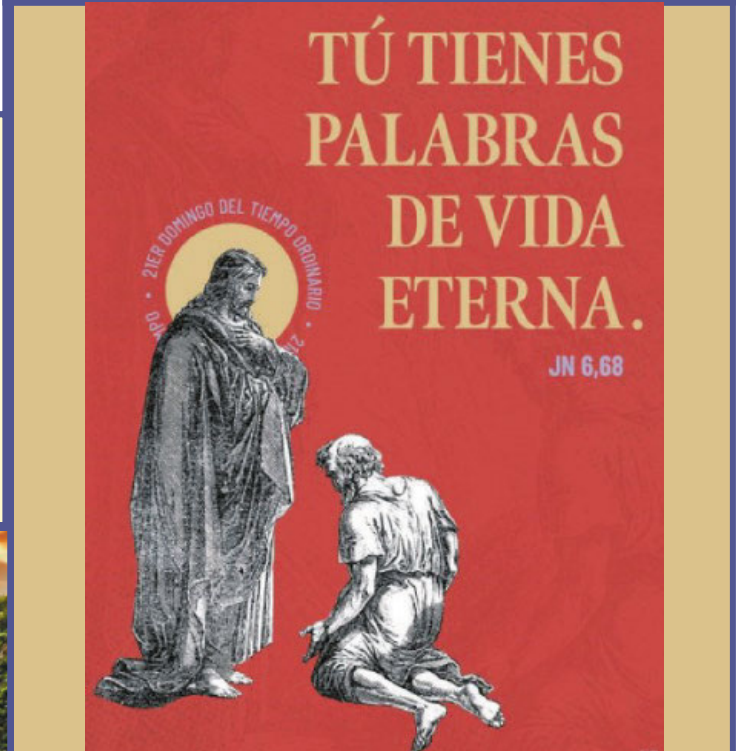
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**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

**Saturday, Aug. 24**  
 5 PM Nancy Otto† by Greg Otto  
 BB\* for Adrienne Garcia & Eddie Lopez by Alice Lopez

**Sunday, Aug. 25**  
 8 AM For the Parish  
 10 AM Richard & Enedina De La Rosa† by Daughters  
 12 PM Magin Hernandez† by Jose Hernandez  
 3 PM Rigoberto Anaya† by Anaya Family  
 6 PM Elvira Bendele† by Bea Peterson

**Monday, Aug. 26**  
 8 AM Isabel Stalh† by Teresa Revilla  
 Rosa Aminda Gonzalez Castilla† by Irene Garcia  
 6:30 PM Holy Hour  
 7:30 PM For an End to Abortion

**Tuesday, Aug. 27**  
 8 AM Souls in Purgatory† & World Peace by Alicia Medina  
 7 PM Knights of Columbus Silver Rose Mass

**Wednesday, Aug. 28**  
 8 AM Antonio Revilla† by Teresa Revilla

**Thursday, Aug. 29**  
 8 AM Juan C. Chapa† by Solano Family

**Friday, Aug. 30**  
 8 AM Edward & Margaret Zaker† by Family  
 BB\* for Selene Macias by Mary Macias

**Saturday, Aug. 31**  
 5 PM Nancy Otto† by Patsy Hilbig

**Sunday, Sept. 1**  
 8 AM Brimilda Carvalho† by Jeremias & Clarissa Fernandes  
 10 AM Yolanda Balboa Torres† by Balboa & Quiroz Families  
 12 PM For the Parish  
 3 PM Gilbert Preciado† by Antonia Preciado  
 6 PM Spiritual Healing/Strength for Current & Future Descendants of Daniel R.† & Manuela M. Gonzales†; Souls in Purgatory† by Y. Gonzales

\*BB = Birthday Blessings



## RESPECT LIFE

### Spiritual Adoption begins at our parish!

This weekend through next May, our parish Respect Life Ministry (RLM) invites you to “spiritually adopt” a pre-born child who might not otherwise make it to birth – whether naturally such as through miscarriage, or otherwise such as through abortion.

For spiritual adoption, you provide a pre-born child with a name and agree to pray for this child each day through the projected date of birth. You may never know this child in your lifetime, but God will.

Visit the RLM booth in the narthex this weekend (and the last weekend of most months). We will provide “prayer pledge cards” to keep with you for the baby you “adopt,” plus many free resources to support the Culture of Life.

Next May, we anticipate a baby shower to celebrate the prayed-for healthy births of our spiritually adopted babies. Check the church bulletin for updates.

*Note: For a 2-minute video depicting a portrayal of Spiritual Adoption in action, go to <https://youtu.be/OzQiNedKVDM>.*

### ¡La adopción espiritual comienza en nuestra parroquia!

Este fin de semana hasta el próximo mayo, nuestro Ministerio de Respeto a la Vida (RLM) lo invita a “adoptar espiritualmente” a un niño no nacido que de otra manera no podría llegar a nacer, ya sea de manera natural, como por un aborto espontáneo, o de otra manera, como por un aborto.

Para la adopción espiritual, usted le da un nombre a un niño no nacido y acepta orar por este niño todos los días hasta la fecha de nacimiento proyectada. Es posible que nunca conozca a este niño en su vida, pero Dios lo conocerá.

Visite nuestra mesa de información de RLM en el narthex este fin de semana (y el último fin de semana casi todos los meses). Proporcionamos “tarjetas de compromiso de oración” para que las tenga consigo por el bebé que “adopte”, además de muchos recursos gratuitos para apoyar la Cultura de la Vida.

El próximo mayo, anticipamos un baby shower para celebrar los nacimientos saludables por los que oramos de nuestros bebés adoptados espiritualmente. Consulte el boletín de la iglesia para obtener actualizaciones.

*Nota: Para ver un video de unos 2 minutos que muestra la adopción espiritual en acción, visite <https://youtu.be/OzQiNedKVDM>.*



## PARISH NEWS



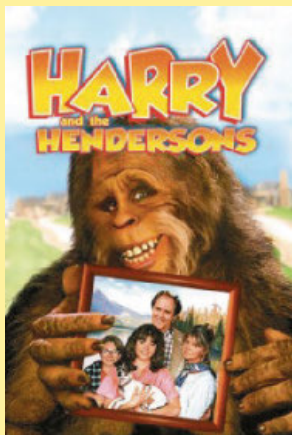
Presents

### "Harry and the Hendersons"

**Saturday, Sept. 14 at sunset**  
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**FREE movie, hot dogs,  
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*For daughters of any age*  
**Saturday, Sept. 21, 6:30 – 10 PM**  
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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.



PARISH NEWS



Discernment of Spirits Workshop - Part 2

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

Sign up via text/call to 210-232-6094.



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.

**WANTED CATECHISTS**

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

**REWARD**

**PERSONAL SATISFACTION GUARANTEED**

2024-25 St. Anthony Mary Claret Children's Choir

For children ages 6-12

Register Sunday, Sept. 1 following the

8 & 10 AM & 12 PM Masses.

Rehearsals are Thursdays, 5:30 - 6:30 PM in the church beginning Sept. 12.

You may also register by contacting Paul Rauschhuber, Parish Music Director, at prauschhuber@yahoo.com.



"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!" Psalm 98:4

Join the 10 AM choir!

The 10 AM Sunday morning parish choir is recruiting experienced vocalists. All voice types are needed—

in particular, men's voices, tenors and basses.

Rehearsals are Thursdays, 7 - 8:30 PM in the church beginning Sept. 12.

For more info, contact Paul Rauschhuber, Parish Music Director at prauschhuber@yahoo.com or 210-865-4717.



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.



This Week in Our Parish Weddings:

Gregorio Enrique Pastrano & Patricia Carmen Lozano Kenneth Joshua Kalligs & Vanessa Melissa Saldivar

SEPTEMBER BAPTISM CLASS

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



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PARISH NEWS

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.

SPAGHETTI PLATE SALE

Spaghetti, meat sauce, salad, bread & drink

Sunday, Sept. 15 9 AM – 1:30 PM



Msgr. Hubertus Hall

\$10: cash, checks

\$10.50: credit cards

Take Sunday off from cooking and support our church!

Tickets on sale after Masses Aug. 31/Sept. 1 & Sept. 7 & 8.

RETIRO DE ACTS PARA MUJERES EN ESPAÑOL

Septiembre 12 al 15



Centro de Retiros Cordi Marian; costo: \$225 Para más información y registro, contactar Laura Koyoc, directora: 210- 563-0182.

“Si alguno quiere seguirme, que se niegue a sí mismo, tome su cruz y me siga.”

— Marcos 8, 27-35

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, Feb. 1, 2025 Ladies of St. Anthony Claret Women's Retreat 2025 Msgr. Hubertus Hall More information to follow

UNITY DAY NEWS!

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Contact the parish office for more info! ¡Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial para más información (210) 688-9033

St. Anthony Mary Claret Classic Car Show Show de Autos Clásicos



October 20 | 20 de octubre, 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! Exclusive to the Alamo City Rods Car Club

¡Arranquen sus motores! Unanse a nosotros en el Día de la Unidad para un Show de Autos Clásicos que los llevará de vuelta en el tiempo. ¡Brillo, estilo e historia, uniendo a nuestra comunidad! Show de Autos Clásicos | Exclusivo del Alamo City Rods Car Club

The car show will be held weather permitting. El show de autos se llevará a cabo si el clima lo permite.

### FAITH & PRAYER

#### PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

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



Joseph Duque

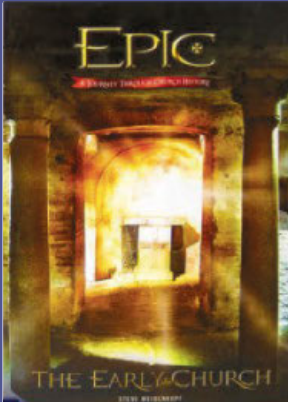


Erick Cruz

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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For more info or to register, contact Marie DeGennaro at [mariedeg@hotmail.com](mailto:mariedeg@hotmail.com).

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#### THE SUNDAY FUNNIES



I bought the world's worst thesaurus yesterday. Not only is it terrible, it's terrible!



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



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|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Anita Alvarado        | Annette D. Navarro     |
| Nancy Cantrell        | Maurice Flores         |
| Diane Fluitt          | Tony Salinas           |
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| Kasha Zike            | George Aldaya          |
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| Marylen Dunk          | SJS                    |
| Diana Martinez        | Jim Souhrada           |
| Rodolfo Salinas       | Tom Calderon Jr.       |
| San Juana de Lerma    |                        |

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 25: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32/ Jn 6:60-69
- Monday 26: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Mt 23:13-22
- Tuesday 27: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Mt 23:23-26
- Wednesday 28: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Mt 23:27-32
- Thursday 29: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Mk 6:17-29
- Friday 30: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Mt 25:1-13
- Saturday 31: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 25:14-30
- Sunday 1: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 2:1-5/ Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

### THE BIBLE and the CHURCH FATHERS



An inspiring FREE Bible study here at our parish!

For parents, RE teachers or anyone interested in learning more about our faith.

Wednesdays, 6:30-9 PM beginning Sept. 11 RE bldg. Limited seating.

Presenters: Eric & Perla Guerrero Register THIS weekend, Aug. 24/25!

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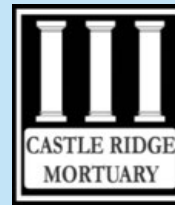
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