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**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

#### **September 15, 2024**

#### **Pastor**

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

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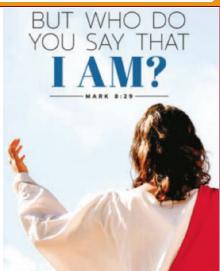
#### **Parish Mission Statement**

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: MK 8:27-35

This morning I received a text message that a member of my extended family will likely die of cancer within the next few hours. His name is Luke. He is a 45-year-old husband and father of six. Though I am not as close to him as my sister (she is his sister-in-law and knows him well), I wonder: how can we, including Luke himself, manage such a terribly awful and unfair situation?

The words of this Sunday's Gospel offer a powerful and challenging path. Jesus says, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me" (Mark 8:34). Today I



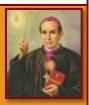
see with new freshness the starkness and strangeness of the words take up. The cross stands for suffering which is unjust, absurd, seemingly hopeless, and humiliating. Jesus doesn't say "accept" or "endure" or "tolerate," but "take up." Embrace it, actively. Choose it and lift it up for others to see what terrifies and sickens us. But somehow, for Jesus, this is the path to "saving one's life." A new world is breaking in, one in which love is everything, when no relationship can be wounded or die. I trust that in the embraced suffering of Luke and his loved ones, Jesus is taking up his cross and saving us all.

By the time you read this, barring a miracle, Luke will have died. He will be carrying his cross no longer. But we all still face suffering. This week let's not just endure, but take up our crosses, big and small. That's our only hope for saving our lives.

— 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.

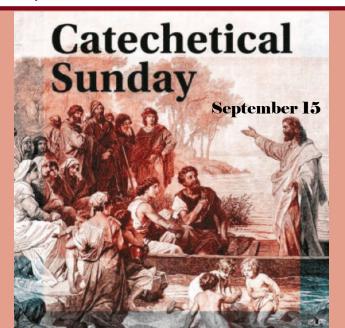
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#### **IN OUR PARISH**

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



Sept. 7/8 attendance & collection totals unavailable at press time.

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#### MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday, Sept. 14

5 PM Porfirio Diaz†, Maria Diaz†, Sylvia

Perrill†, Rudy Garcia, Jr.†, Norma Lisa Villanueva† by Diaz Family

BB\* for Margaret Macias by Mary Macias

Sunday, Sept. 15

8 AM Pedro Argueta Roman†, Maria Lida

Marroquin†, Maria Lidia Velasco†, Souls in Purgatory† by Odra Argueta Spiritual Healing/Strength for Humanity;

Souls in Purgatory† by M. Gonzales

10 AM Perpetuo Nafarrete, Jr.† by Nafarrete Fam.

12 PM Antonio Revilla† by Teresa Revilla
3 PM Rosaura Perez† by Ana Carolina Huemer

6 PM For the Parish

Monday, Sept. 16

8 AM Gilberto Alaniz † by Legion of Mary

6:30 PM Holy Hour

7:30 PM Connie Lyssy† by Lyssy Family

Tuesday, Sept. 17

**8 AM** Nancy Otto† by Patsy Hilbig

Wednesday, Sept. 18

**8 AM BB\* for Jomer T. Belisario** by Family

Thursday, Sept. 19

**8 AM** Hospicio Lagura† by Lagura Family

Roy & Erma Gonzales† by Family

Friday, Sept. 20

**8 AM** Deceased Priests† by Robbie Alicea

Sp. Int. for Catherine Lazaro by Family

Saturday, Sept. 21

**5 PM** Valerio Agcopra† by Agcopra Family

Anniversary Blessings for Lorenzo & Vanessa Macias by Mary Macias

Sunday, Sept. 22

8 AM Cristalina Fernandes† by Jeremias &

Clarissa Fernandes

10 AM Margaret† & Albert Suarez†; Alan J.

Ponce†; Healing for Anthony & Nathan

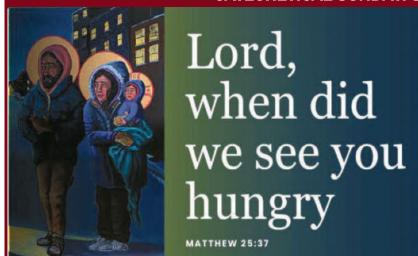
Ponce by Alma Ponce

12 PM For the Parish

3 PM Rosario Huemer† by Ana Carolina Huemer 6 PM Phillip Hernandez† by Mother & Family

\*BB = Birthday Blessings

#### **CATECHETICAL SUNDAY: SEPTEMBER 15**



## "FINDING CHRIST"

by Paul Jarzembowski, Associate Director, USCCB, Laity, Marriage, Family Life, and Youth

The third Sunday in September is set aside for acknowledging the importance of catechists in the Church's teaching ministry. Learn more about Catechetical Sunday at <a href="https://www.usccb.org/committees/evangelization-catechesis"><u>www.usccb.org/committees/evangelization-catechesis</u></a>.

The following article lists ways in which each of us is called to share Christ with others.

When Jesus invites us to look to the margins to see him more clearly (cf. Mt 25), we naturally ask the question: "What margins?" These are the places in our peripheral vision in life, the locations where we often forget to look and that lie just outside our regular field of view. More importantly, we can find ourselves forgetting about the people who occupy those oft-forgotten spaces.

It can be easy to find Christ reflected in the familiar and the explicitly sacred. Yet for young adults, now is an opportune time in life to practice finding Christ in the margins: in the faces of the people who live and breathe and move just beyond or outside our regular routines.

What follows is a discernment tool that offers some initial questions that can lead a person to discover their own peripheries and the people they may overlook or take for granted.

- What does your normal daily or weekly routine look like? It may be helpful to write it out.
- Where do you travel on a normal basis (by foot, by car, by public transportation, etc.)? What neighborhoods, communities, or locations do you pass by throughout your day?
- Who are the people you encounter regularly? Family? Friends? Colleagues or co-workers?
- With these questions in mind, can you then identify the places you visit along the way, but do not stay too long (i.e., the gas station, the grocery store, the coffee shop, etc.)? Can you picture in your mind the individuals you meet in those spaces, but who you do not engage with for more than a few minutes at most? Bring them to mind in a prayer of thanksgiving.
- Within those marginal spaces, who do you envision might be similar to the groups Jesus mentions in his parable of the end times (Mt 25)?
  - Who are those who go hungry? Who has no shelter or are likely one paycheck away from eviction? Who are those who are suffering from physical or mental health issues? Who may struggle with crime and incarceration? Who are those of advanced age: the elderly, the infirm, the grandparents, or those facing terminal illness?
- Who do you think about during the regular giving seasons and holidays (such as Thanksgiving or Christmas) but don't think about in the other months of the year?
- Take time to reflect on the people who you encounter in work or school who you pass by, perhaps only going as far as offering a quick "hello" or wave of the hand. Who do you see frequently but barely know their names? Again, bring them to mind with prayerful gratitude.

As you work through these discernment questions, you may be able to find Christ hidden in peripheral areas, and in so doing, allow the Lord to engage you in the margins of your life.

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#### **PARISH NEWS**



#### FOR MARRIED & ENGAGED COUPLES

Topic: love, intimacy, fertility & building a community of support around having a strong, joyful marriage

Friday, Sept. 20, 7 PM, RE bldg. Bring a favorite snack to share.

For free childcare, RSVP to Rene & Liz Quintanilla at liz.straq@yahoo.com no later than Wednesday, Sept. 18.



This Week in Our Parish Quinceañera: Ava Marie Rocha



#### St. Anthony Claret Pantry Report: August 2024

Utility assistance: \$ 8.362.75 Restock food pantry: \$ 6,436.05 Office expenses: 107.27 Other client assistance: 96.08 # Food bags distributed: 387 # People served: 1.173 # of home deliveries 40

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





#### Ladies of St. Anthony **Claret Meeting**

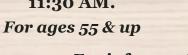
Sunday, Sept. 22 (not Sept. 15) 12 PM, Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Women 18 years & up invited. For info, contact Darrelyn Kundinger at 661-619-5101.

#### Silver Seniors Luncheon

Wed., Sept. 18

Msgr. Hubertus Hall Doors open 11:30 AM.



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

#### THE SUNDAY FUNNIES



Someone asked if my stomach is flat.

I said, "Yes, but the 'L' is silent."



#### Another successful St. Anthony Claret Pantry school supply distribution thanks to YOU!

Thanks to generous donations from our parishioners and our Knights of Columbus Council 10090, we distributed 111 backpacks with school supplies and 5 bags of supplies without backpacks to 116 students from 51 families.

In addition, school supplies were donated to the following: Krueger Elementary, Timberwilde Elementary, Fernandez Elementary, Ward Elementary, Brauchle Elementary, Knowlton Elementary, Natalia Elementary, Perales Elementary, Laude Homeschool Co-op, Battered Women's Shelter (Family Violence Prevention Services, Inc.), Jubilee Academies Pre-K, and St. Stephen's CARE Center.

Thank you for your generosity!

#### IMPORTANT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

#### 1st Year Confirmation Parent Class

Friday, Sept. 20, 7 PM Msgr. Hubertus Hall

IMPORTANT: At least one parent must attend.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation Parent Class

Saturday, Sept. 21, 9 AM Msar. Hubertus Hall IMPORTANT: At least one parent must attend.



#### **PARISH NEWS**

#### 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!

Planning a wedding at our parish? ¿Estás plangando una boda en nuestra parroquia?

**MANDATORY Marriage Orientation** Orientación Matrimonial OBLIGATORIA 7 PM, Thurs., Sept. 19 / el jueves 19 de septiembre Note: Location has changed to Msgr. Hubertus Hall. Call the parish office to register/Llamar a la oficina parroquial para registrarse: 210-688-9033.



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

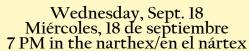
Menu: sandwiches, chips, fruit, chocolate fondue, water & tea Enjoy an evening featuring a photo booth, Music (DJ) and dancing. \$25 per person - cash, check or charge

Theme: Beauty & the Beast Each daughter will receive a tiara! Pre-sale tickets on sale after weekend Masses through Sept. 14/15.



## Lector Training/Formación Lector

for anyone interested in becoming a lector/para cualquier persona interesada en convertirse en un lector





For info, contact/para información póngase en contacto con Scott Kollmansberger: 210-273-2297.

#### **UNITY DAY NEWS!**







OCT 11AM - 5PM







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

¡Venga a pasar el tiempo conociendo y visitando a otros feligreses!

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

## St. Anthony Mary Claret Classie 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

Arranquen sus motores! 🚙 ት Ûnanse a nosotros en el Día d<mark>e la Unidad para un Show de Autos</mark> Clásicos que los llevará de vuelta en el tiempo. ¡Brillo, estillo e historia, unie 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 per

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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.







**Dustin Martin** 

O loving Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Priests, take to your heart your sons who are close to you because of their priestly ordinations, and because of the power which they have received to carry on the work of Christ in a world which needs them so much. Be their comfort, joy and strength, and especially help them to live and to defend the ideals of consecrated celibacy. Amen.

We also commend to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: Congregation of Divine Providence



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

Initiation for Adults) classes!
For info or to register, contact Jennifer Rupert at 210-688-9033, x204.

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

In the Beginning...Coping with Life Alone a one-day introductory program designed to help those who are grieving the loss of a spousal relationship due to death, divorce, or separation

This program helps participants begin to deal with the loss and focus on what lies ahead. It is a day of support for those who are seeking hope and healing. While it is intended to assist those newly grieving, all are welcome to attend.

Saturday, Oct. 5, 8:30 AM – 4 PM St. Peter Upon the Water 234 Indian Creek Rd., Ingram, TX 78025 Cost: \$40. Participants are asked to bring their own lunches; morning & afternoon drinks & snacks provided.

For more info or to register, contact Barbara at 210-724-9269. (If no answer, leave message.)





## PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY



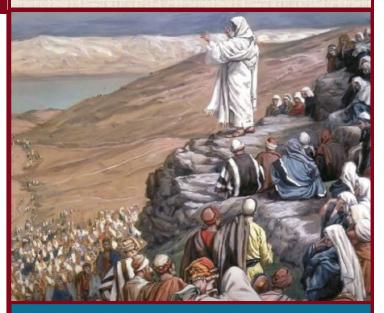
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Gilbert Niedenthal
Javier & Mary Bautista
SJS
Jim Souhrada
Tom Calderon Jr.

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 15: Is 50:4c-9a/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35 Monday 16: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Lk 7:1-10 Tuesday 17: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Lk 7:11-17 Wednesday 18: 1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Lk 7:31-35 Thursday 19: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 7:36-50 Friday 20: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3 Saturday 21: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13 Sunday 22: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16—4:3/ Mk 9:30-37



#### 24° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Gio

Después llamó a la multitud y a sus discípulos, y les dijo: "El que quiera venir conmigo, que renuncie a sí mismo, que cargue con su cruz y que me siga. Pues el que quiera salvar su vida, la perderá; pero el que pierda su vida por mí y por el Evangelio, la salvará". - Mc 8, 34-35

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