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November 24, 2024

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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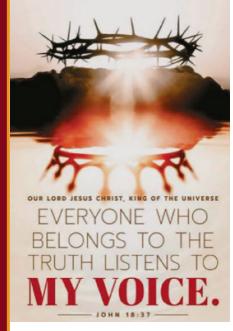
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Parish Mission Statement

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 18:33b-37

When I was a young boy in Burlington, Vermont, my dad had a good friend named Phil who owned a sporting goods store. I loved sports, so meandering the treasure-filled aisles was an unmitigated joy. One afternoon, we were shopping for a baseball glove. Dad said to me, "Hey Johnny, see that man who just walked into the store? That's Phil." I remember being fascinated and a little terrified. I recall thinking, "That man right there is in charge of everything in this store!" He reigned over every ball, sneaker, jersey, and sweatsuit. Phil became a family friend. And he was a good owner. The store flourished, and I found myself even more at peace every time I went there. I felt a new hope and even responsibility for the store to flourish.

To say that Christ is the King of the Universe means that Jesus has absolute authority over everything in it. It should fill us with awe and fascination. He is in charge. The world and

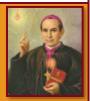
everything in it are finally his. Knowing that he knows and loves us should make us also feel a deep peace at being a part of his universe. This leads us to want his kingdom to flourish, to play some responsible role in it.

We advance his kingdom by promoting the truth. "Everyone who is of the truth hears my voice," Christ the King proclaims. In Phil's store, it was about the truth of athletics. In our world, it's all about the truth of all creation, especially the dignity of the human person, made by and for our loving God. Let's rejoice that we know the true king and commit to the flourishing of his kingdom.

— 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



Nov. 16/17 attendance & collection totals unavailable at press time.

The second collection this weekend is for the Campaign for Human Development.

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The Feast of Christ the King was instituted in 1925 to address growing attitudes of secularism and atheism and to proclaim Christ's kingship forever. The day also marks the final Sunday on the Church's Liturgical Calendar.

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Nov. 23

5 PM Jesus & Cresencina Hinojosa†

by Adelina Fritz

BB* for Carmen Nava by Bea Alvarez

Sunday, Nov. 24

8 AM Leonel Gonzalez, Jr. † by Family

> BB* for Samuel Putz by Mary Putz Frances Pimentel† by Olech Family

10 AM 12 PM Teresa Perez† by Daughter

3 PM For the Parish

6 PM Rose Sheals† by Alice Lopez

Riley Robertson† by Ellen Robertson

Monday, Nov. 25

8 AM Nancy Williams† by Joe & Lenna Gregorio

6:30 PM Holy Hour

7:30 PM Jose Villarreal† by Son & Daughter-in-law

Louisa Armendariz† by Teresa Revilla

Tuesday, Nov. 26

BB* for Carlos Mendoza† by Trevino Family **8 AM**

Wednesday, Nov. 27 *** NO MORNING MASSS *** Valeria Kozielski† by Gail & Gary

Thursday, Nov. 28

9 AM BB* for Merle T. Belisario by Family

Friday, Nov. 29

8 AM BB* for Cynthia Luna by Family

Saturday, Nov. 30

5 PM Anthony & Viola D'Agnenica†

by Anthony & Lisa D'Agnenica

Sunday, Dec. 1

8 AM Vincent Carvalho† by Jeremias & Clarissa

Fernandes

10 AM Debra Saenz† by Lydia Reynolds

12 PM **Alicia Garces**† by Family

3 PM For the Parish

6 PM Jaime Figeroa† by Lopez Family

*BB = Birthday Blessings

RESPECT LIFE: PRAYER & ACTION

PRAY: Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be

REFLECT:

As the Church, we recognize that suicide is a tragedy that ends one life and devastates the loved ones left behind. Those who promote physician-assisted suicide try to draw a distinction between those with a mental illness who want to end their lives and those with a terminal illness who express the same wish. This is a dangerously false distinction with far-reaching consequences.

Assisted suicide abandons vulnerable individuals at the moment when they are most in need of our love, care, and support.



Even among terminally ill patients, a request to die is nearly always a cry for help, indicating that some aspect of their condition has not been adequately attended to. Those requesting to end their lives typically do not want to die; they want to escape what they perceive to be an intolerable situation, and they tragically believe that suicide is their only way out. The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, "Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?"

Society's acceptance of assisted suicide sends the false message that under especially difficult circumstances some lives are not worth living. Every suicide is tragic, no matter the circumstances. Nothing diminishes the sanctity of a person's life, or the obligation to protect and care for it. We don't discourage suicide in our society by assisting suicide. We are called to affirm the dignity of human life in all stages and circumstances. Those who are suffering need to be assured of the goodness and value of their lives and provided with authentic care and support.

Reflection adapted from "Every Suicide is Tragic."

ACT (Choose one.):

- Offer the prayer, "Every Life is Worth Living" (www.usccb.org/every-life-worth-living) for this month's intention.
- Do an act of kindness for someone today.
- Offer some other sacrifice or prayer that you feel called to do for this month's intention.

ONE STEP FURTHER: Learn more about the stark differences between assisted suicide and authentic end-of-life care in accord with human dignity in "Killing the Pain, Not the Patient: Palliative Care vs. Assisted Suicide" at www.usccb.org/prolife/killing-pain-not-patient-palliative-care-vs-assisted-suicide.

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PARISH NEWS

IMPORTANT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious education classes will not be held Sunday, Nov. 24 or Wednesday, Nov. 27 in observance of Thanksgiving.





This Week in Our Parish

Wedding:

Joshua Tristan & Tabitha Jewel Turner



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DECEMBER BAPTISM CLASS

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



THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

If the Pilgrims were alive today, what would they be most famous for? Their age.

Why do turkeys always go, "gobble, gobble"? Because they never learned good table manners.



How does a Turkey drink her wine?
In a gobble-let.

If April showers bring May flowers, what do May flowers bring? Pilgrims!

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WARNING: Some parishioners have recently received emails requesting help or donations and falsely claiming to be from Fr. Jan or our deacons.

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PARISH NEWS



Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

Celebrate the true meaning of Christmas through artwork!

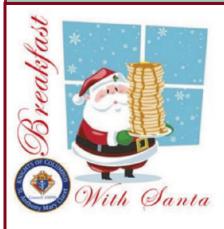
- ♦Open to kids ages 5–14.
- ◆Pick up entry form at the parish office. Turn in form with poster to the parish office Nov. 1 - Dec. 2.
- Contestants compete in their age group:
 - *Ages 5-7 (grades K-2)
 - *Ages 8-10 (grades 3-5)
 - *Ages 11-14 (grades 6-8)
- ♦1st, 2nd & 3rd place certificates will be awarded.
- ♦ Winners announced at this year's Breakfast w/Santa.



Poster Rules:

- ◆Must reflect "Keep Christ in Christmas" theme.
- •Must be original work of a single person.
- ◆Dimensions should be approximately 11x17 inches.

All entries become property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council.



St. Anthony Mary Claret Knights of Columbus Council #10090 presents

Breakfast with Santa!

Saturday, Dec. 14 9 AM - 12 PM

\$8/person for pancakes, sausage & drink

Activities for kids 12 4 under. Santa arrives at 9:30 AM.

Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Limited number of tickets on sale after Masses Nov. 30/Dec. 1 & Dec. 7/8 outside church exits.

Cash, checks & credit cards accepted.

The 8AM Mass MUSIC MINISTRY is in need of a music leader & pianist.



If interested in the mu-

sic leader position apply online at the archdiocesan website: archsa.org/employment/. If interested in the pianist position, contact Paul Rauschhuber, parish Music Director: 210-865-4717.



EARLY BIRD PRICING for the Saturday, Feb. 15, 2025 Sweetheart Mass & Reception (Mass & renewal of wedding vows followed by a reception/dance in Msgr. Hubertus Hall) \$100/couple if you purchase online Nov. 29 - Dec. 31 at the parish website: www.samcsa.com. In the "description" field, type "Sweetheart Mass/Reception." After Dec. 31, price increases to \$120.

COMMUNITY NEWS

In the Beginning...Coping with Life Alone



A one-day introductory *online* program designed to help those who are grieving the loss of a spousal relationship due to death, divorce, or separation.

Saturday, Dec. 7, 8:45 AM - 4 PM; Cost: \$40

- 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.

 Though intended to assist the newly grieving, all are welcome to take this class. For more info or to register, contact Barbara at (210)724-9269. (Leave message if no answer.)

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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.





Emmanuel Velasquez

Jesus Sanchez

God, please give to your Church today many more priests after your own heart.

May they be worthy representatives of Christ the Good Shepherd. May they wholeheartedly devote themselves to prayer and penance; be examples of humility and poverty; shining models of holiness; tireless and powerful preachers of the Word of God; zealous dispensers of your grace in the sacraments. May their loving devotion to your Son Jesus in the Eucharist and to Mary his Mother be the twin fountains of fruitfulness for their ministry. Amen.

(by St. John Vianney)

We also commend to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: Order of the Incarnate Word & Blessed Sacrament



Good and gracious God,
we give You thanks today,
as we do all days,
first and foremost for the gift of creation
and the gift of life.
We ask You to bless this food,
that it may nourish us and sustain us,
and strengthen our ability to do Your will.
We pray in thanksgiving for all the hands involved
in bringing it to our table.
You tell us, Lord, that to whom much is given,

much is expected.

May this meal and the fellowship we enjoy not only serve as clear reminders of Your love of us,

but of Your call for us to share Your love and to serve our brothers and sisters, especially those most in need. We ask this as we ask all things, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Source: Hallow



PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY



Etta Tricksey
Refugio Martinez
Mary Macias
Deacon Jerry Kozar
John Fischer
Gilbert Tobias
David Curry
Alejandro De Luna
Tracey Kollmansberger
Al Mares
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Diana & Juan Martinez
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San Juana de Lerma

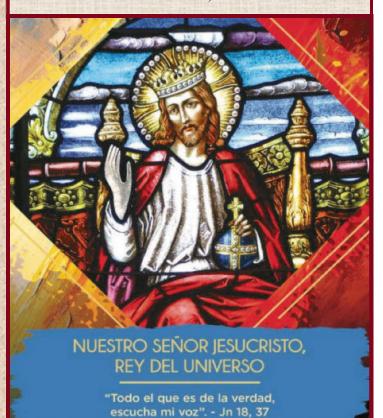
Annette D. Navarro
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Tony Salinas
Fr. Patrick Martin
George Aldaya
Mary Helen Peterson
Barbara Vanegas
A.C. Garza
Gilbert Niedenthal
Javier & Mary Bautista
SJS
Jim Souhrada
Tom Calderon Jr.

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 24: Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37 Monday 25: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Lk 21:1-4 Tuesday 26: Rv 14:14-19/Lk 21:5-11 Wednesday 27: Rv 15:1-4/Lk 21:12-19 Thursday 28: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/ Lk 21:20-28

Friday 29: Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Lk 21:29-33 Saturday 30: Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22 Sunday 1: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/ Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



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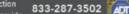
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