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**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

#### February 16, 2025

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

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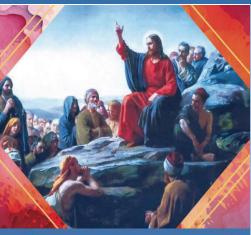
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#### Parish Mission Statement

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: LK 6:17, 20-26

I craved four things as a teenager: success in sports, food, fun and the attention of popular people. However, I noticed that as I acquired them, I was more unsatisfied than before. So, I'd strive even more energetically, achieve more, and the sense of emptiness was greater still. These four things started to feel like burdens or even curses. Soon after, I encountered Christ in my high school youth group. Experiencing his love was totally different than anything those four things previously produced. It produced a lasting happiness.



"Blessed are you." - Lk 6:21

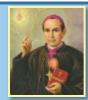
Jesus utters a kind of four-fold curse in this week's Gospel of Saint Luke's "woes": "Woe to you who are rich...who are filled now...who laugh now...who are well-spoken of" (cf. Luke 6:24-26). How marvelous that these correspond perfectly to the four things that obsessed my teenage soul: riches, food, laughter and good reputation. The "woes" the Lord speaks are warnings: when those things are the purpose of your life, you'll be miserable. He is saying, "You'll be happy, or blessed, in the measure that these things do not determine the shape of our lives, and the kingdom of God does."

To some degree, we're all spiritual teenagers, addicted to one or more of those four "woes." How splendid that the Lord wants to bless us — that is, to satisfy us, make us laugh with joy, and in the kingdom of God, offer us what will truly satisfy us. But first let's admit what is causing our "woes."

— 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**



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.

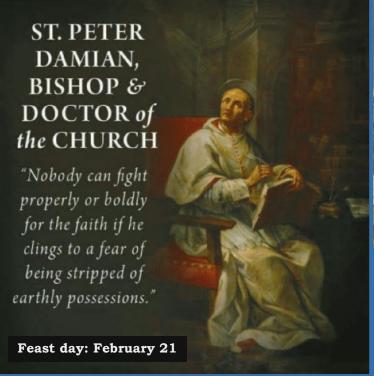
Please complete an online registration form at **samcsa.com** or a printed one which you can find

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

#### Feb. 8/9 attendance & collection totals

Attendance	3,790
Regular Collection	\$ 32,724.53
<b>RE Bldg. Debt Reduction</b>	\$ 1,295.00
SAMC Pantry	\$ 1,055.99
Stephen Ministry	\$ 1,000.00
Candles	\$ 477.34
Initial Offering	\$ 240.00
Gabriel Project	\$ 150.00
Rosary Makers	\$ 6.51





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"Dichosos ustedes los que ahora tienen hambre, porque serán saciados. Dichosos ustedes los que lloran ahora, porque al fin reirán".

- Lc 6, 21

#### THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

**6 PM** 

Wednesday, Feb. 19

Saturday, Feb. 15				
5 PM	Gerardo & Lucia Botello†			
	by Ramirez Family			
7 PM	Sweetheart Mass			
Sunday, Feb. 16				
8 AM	Kristine Fernandez-Mills by Mom & Dad			
10 AM	Norberto & Victoria Farole†			
	by Biteng Family			
12 PM	Thomas T. David, Sr.† Laura, Concha,			
	Alberto De Leon† by Julia David Family			
3 PM	Alfonso Escarpita† by Escarpita Family			
6 PM	For the Parish			
Monday, Feb. 17				
8 AM	Pacita† & Poly Cronio Ucab† by Family			
	BB* for Joaquin Astorga by Family			
6:30 PM	Holy Hour			
7:30 PM	Deceased Members of Foss†			
	by Norma Gonzales			

Sp. Int. for Cleaning Angels

by SAMC Sacristans

Tuesday, Feb. 18

**8 AM** 

8 AM	BB* for Maria Gibbs by Gibbs Family
Thursday, Feb. 8 AM	20 BB* for Miel Dumanjog by Mom & Dad
Friday, Feb. 21 8 AM	Nancy Otto† by Greg Otto
Saturday, Feb. 5 PM	<b>22</b> <b>Lillian Rodgers</b> † by Family <b>BB* for Eduardo Garza</b> by Family
Sunday, Feb. 23	3
8 AM	Kristine Fernandez-Mills by Mom & Dad
10 AM	Margaret† & Albert Suarez†; Alan J.
	Ponce†; Healing for Nathan & Anthony
	Ponce by Alma Ponce
12 PM	Enrique & Elma Botello† by Ramirez Family
3 PM	For the Parish

BB\* for Peggy Sheffield by Mary Putz

\*BB = Birthday Blessings

#### **RESPECT LIFE**

# Intercessions for Life

For married couples struggling with infertility: may the Lord help them trust in His love and sustain them with His peace.

We pray to the Lord.



# Intercesiones por la Vida

Por todas las parejas casadas, que su apertura a la nueva vida sea testimonio del amor generoso de Dios.
Roguemos al Señor.



#### Word of Life

"We often assume parenthood happens easily after 'I do,' but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility... If

you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple."

— USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility"; respectlife.org/navigating-infertility

#### Palabra De Vida

"A menudo asumimos que la paternidad o la maternidad suceden fácilmente, pero para muchas parejas casadas no es así. En algunas, la alegría de la concepción nunca llega. Otras sufren repetidos abortos espontáneos. Otras más sobrellevan la infertilidad secundaria... Si ustedes atraviesan dificultades para traer un hijo a su familia, sepan que no están solos. Dios está con ustedes, y su Iglesia desea caminar con ustedes. ... Dios tiene un hermoso plan para su vida como pareja casada.

— Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida de la USCCB "Siete consideraciones al afrontar la infertilidad" https://es.respectlife.org/navigating-infertility









#### **COMMUNITY PRO-LIFE EVENT**



#### REAFFIRMING THE GOSPEL OF LIFE IN CONFLICT WITH TRENDS IN BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

A conference sponsored by Our Lady of the Atonement Culture of Life Ministry in partnership with Natural Womanhood

Saturday, Feb. 22, 8:30 AM (after 7 AM Mass) – 12:30 PM Our by Our Lady of the Atonement, 15415 Red Robin Rd., St. Anthony Hall FREE. Coffee & refreshments will be served.

We will identify current problems in moral ethics pertaining to human sexuality and procreation, offering answers and solutions to safeguard the dignity of every person in accord with timeless Catholic moral principles from authoritative Church documents.

For info, contact Phil Sevilla, Culture of Life Ministry, 210-784-0518.

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#### **PARISH NEWS**



#### St. Anthony Mary Claret Stephen Ministry: A CALL FOR CAREGIVERS

"Encourage one another and build each other up." – 1 Thes. 5:11

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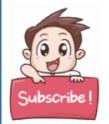
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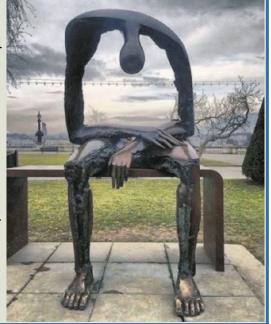
# Healing Through Grief: A Talk by Dr. Joseph Grabau Sponsored by Stephen Ministry Thursday, Fob. 27, 7-8:20 PM

Thursday, Feb. 27, 7-8:30 PM
Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Grief, a natural response to loss, can manifest during or after a traumatic event, whether it's the loss of a loved one or significant changes to daily routines and ways of life. If you or someone you know is struggling with a range of difficult and unexpected emotions such as shock, anger, disbelief, guilt, and sadness, it's crucial to understand that this is part of the grieving process. By gaining a deeper understanding of grief, you can empower yourself to navigate these emotions.

RSVP to Corrina Lopez at 210-861-6917.

My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. — Psalm 73:26



This Week in Our Parish

Wedding: Gary Carpenter <u>& Maria Le Thi</u> Thanh Nga





NEXT BAPTISM CLASS Tuesday, March 4

7 PM, RE Bldg., 1st floor





#### **WARNING:**

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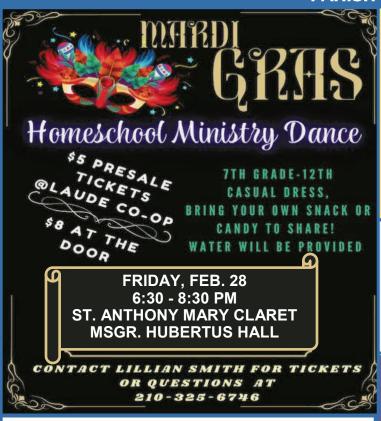


#### THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

"I don't think it's fair that only roosters are allowed to start the day screaming."



#### **PARISH NEWS**



#### Gabriel Project Report: Jan. 2025

# Families served: 134 # Diapers/wipes distributed: 161 # Car seats provided: 4 # Beds provided: 4 # Children provided clothing: 55

Hours: Thursdays, 9:30 AM-12:30 PM & 5:30-7:30 PM Contact us at (210) 563-0669 or gabriel.project.sa@gmail.com. Visit us at http://gabrielprojectsa.org/



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#### YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS SUNDAY FEB. 23

MIDDLE SCHOOL: 4-5:45 PM HIGH SCHOOOL: 7-9 PM MSGR. HUBERTUS HALL.

YOUTH MASS: 6 PM IN THE CHURCH

JOIN US FOR FOOD, GAMES & FELLOWSHIP!

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT NITA FELICIANO AT YOUTHGROUP@SACLARET.COM OR 210-688-9033, X210.



**IMPORTANT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS** 

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation Retreat

Sat., Feb. 22, 8:30 AM, RE Bldg.













#### Baseball & Softball Registration **NOW OPEN!**

Registration is \$150 and INCLUDES a jersey and cap / visor. Practice can start as early as 03/03/2025 Season Starts 4/04/25 and ends 5/18/25 Zone Playoffs start 05/20/25 City Tournament starts 05/27/25

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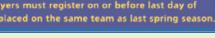


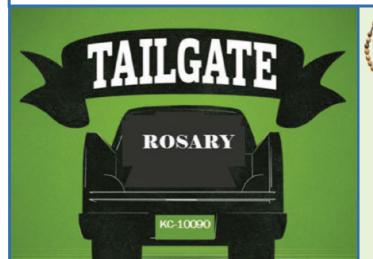


Last day to register:



Returning Players must register on or before last day of registration to be placed on the same team as last spring seasor







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## Tuesday, Feb. 18 7 PM followed by fellowship hour

Parking lot by the pavilion

Bring your family, rosaries & lawn chairs. We'll bring the hot dogs!



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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.







Oscar Rodriguez

Lord, we thank you for giving us the gift of the priesthood, a "gift and mystery," a call to follow and imitate Christ, your Son. We pray, Lord, as you continue to place the call to serve our people as priests in the hearts of many, that they will hear your voice and respond with joy and generosity to your great grace of love. We pray that through the intercession of Mary, our Blessed Mother, you grant us many more vocations to the priesthood and that each family and parish be a place where we can all nurture and encourage the young men of today to hear and follow your call. Amen.

(by Archbishop José Gómez, Archbishop of Los Angeles)

We also commend to your intercession this order committed to the consecrated life: Daughters of Mary Immaculate (Marianist Sisters).

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**



Beginning Experience® Ministry Weekend Retreat March 7-9

for those grieving the loss of a spousal relationship due to death, divorce, or separation

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

#### **Pilgrim Center of Hope Catholic Men's Conference**

Saturday, Feb. 22, Holy Trinity Banquet Hall, 20523 Huebner Rd.

• Gain spiritual direction from Franciscan Friar of the Renewal Fr. Stephen Dufrene

- One-of-a-kind presentation enlightening Christ's death and resurrection by retired U.S. Army colonel & catechist Dave Lambert
- Answers & inspiration from Impact Center's Jim
   Beckman

 Experience Mass with Bishop Michael Boulette, on the feast day of St. Peter's authority.

For info or to register, visit: pilgrimcenterofhope.org/events/conferences/mens-conference/



### PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY



Ernest O. Salinas
Robert Salinas
Alejandro De Luna
Marilyn Dunk
Virginia Keller
Jo Ann Garza
Deacon Jerry Kozar
Al Mares
Diana & Juan Martinez
Rodolfo Salinas

Annette D. Navarro
Maurice Flores
Tony Salinas
Fr. Patrick Martin
Barbara Vanegas
Gilbert Niedenthal
Javier & Mary Bautista
SJS
Tom Calderon Jr.

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 16: Jer 17:5-8/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/ Lk 6:17, 20-26

Monday 17: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday 18: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday 19: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Mk 8:22-26

Thursday 20: Gn 9:1-13/Mk 8:27-33

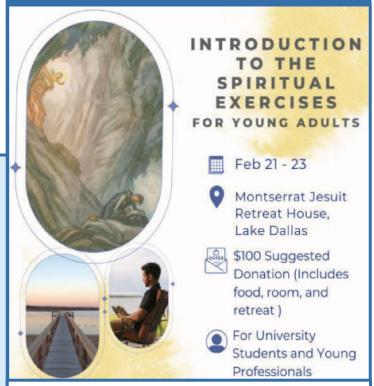
Friday 21: Gn 11:1-9/Mk 8:34—9:1

Saturday 22: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19

Sunday 23: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/

1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**



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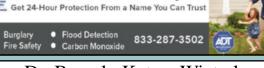
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