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August 23, 2026 **Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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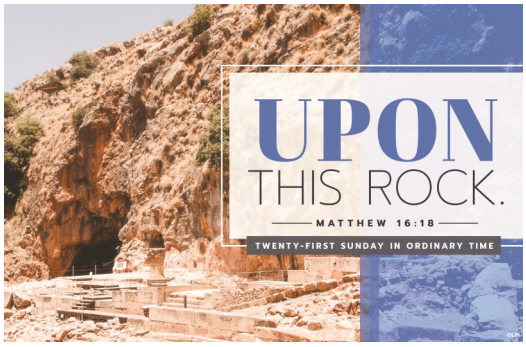
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Parish Mission Statement

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: Matthew 16:13-20



The first time I stood inside St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, its majesty overwhelmed me. The sheer beauty of Michelangelo's dome seemed to lift my soul right out of my body. Later, I joined the Scavi tour that winds below the basilica, down into the ancient pagan cemetery where Peter was buried. There, in the dim light and narrow passageways, I found myself looking at the bones of a murdered Jewish fisherman, his feet cut off so his crucified body could be taken down more easily.

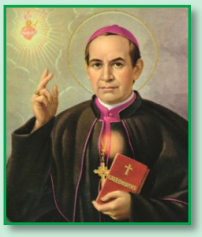
What a paradox. Above me, the most glorious church ever built. Beneath me, the remains of a backwater fisherman. But this man dared to answer Jesus' question, **"Who do you say that I am?"** And crowning that immense dome above his tomb are the words from today's Gospel, "**You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church."**

Within you and me is the drama of the lowest and the highest. Every time we confess Christ, humbly, imperfectly, maybe even trembling, we enter that same mystery. The dust of our humanity, touched by the splendor of heaven. God's presence and our dry bones together. Humility and glory.
May our lives embrace both the lowest and the highest,
like that great basilica, as we profess Jesus

- 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



Reconciliation (Confession)

Weekdays: 7:30 AM; Saturdays: 4 PM;
Sundays: 4 PM when a priest is available

Pastoral Care

To Request Holy Communion for someone homebound, call the Parish Office or visit our website: https://samcsa.com/ministries/liturgical-ministries/pastoral-care/
To receive on Sunday, make arrangements by Wednesday.

Visitation of the Sick

Call the Parish Office to Schedule Visit

Funerals

Call the Parish Office Prior to Making Arrangements

Baptisms

Call Parish Office to Register for a Mandatory Class
Classes available First Tuesday of each month at 7 pm

Marriages | Quinceañeras:

Call Rosie Mendoza at the Parish Office Ext. 209 at least One Year Prior to Date of Celebration & Attend a Mandatory Orientation:

Marriage Orientations:
Third Thursday of March & September at 7 PM

Quinceañera Orientations:
Fourth Thursday of March & August at 7 PM
The Child and at least one Parent are Required to Attend Orientation
The Child Must be Enrolled in Religious Education

IN OUR PARISH



As pastor of Saint 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

Attendance & Collection Totals: August 08/09

Attendance	**4,046**
Regular Collection	**$34,047.76**
Capital Campaign	**$21,543.00**
SAMC Pantry	**$ 1,485.00**
Gabriel Project	**$ 200.00**
Candles	**$ 523.03**
Rosary Makers	**$ 75.00**
Mass Intentions	**$ 220.00**
Peter's Pence	**$ 20.00**

UPCOMING BULLETIN DEADLINES

All Submissions are due at 5PM

Sept. 05/06 issue: **Friday** Aug. 28
Sept. 12/13 issue: **Friday** Sept. 04
Sept. 19/20 issues: **Friday** Sept. 11
Sept. 26/27 issues: **Friday** Sept. 18

Religious Education Registration

LAST CHANCE
After all Masses
This Sunday:
Aug. 23

Available Classes:
Special Needs
Kinder
1st Communion
Continued Education
Confirmation

Required Certificates:
Birth
Baptism
1st Communion

Questions? Email:
reoffice@saclaret.com

The Twelve Apostles Ministry

invites Men of All Ages to our

Weekly Men's Holy Hour



Every Saturday Morning, at 6:30 AM, we join together in the sanctum as a true community of brothers in humble adoration of the Eucharist.

Afterwards, we meet up for tacos and fellowship. A great opportunity to meet other faithful men.

Interested? Just show up!

Aug. 29 at 6:30 AM

No Registration Needed!

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 22
5 PM **Yolanda Moy†** by the Mate Family
BB* for Luis Astorga by the Family

Sunday, August 23
8 AM **Clara Mueller†** by Bea Peterson
Eusebio & Sara Lopez† and Antonio & Connie Centeno† by Anthony & Sarah Centeno
10 AM **Juana Aguilera†** by her Husband & Family
Florentina M. Cortez† by David & Esther Juarez
12 PM **All Members of the Moravits, Zaiontz & Lyssy Families and the Souls in Purgatory†** by the Families
3 PM **Carmen Martinez†** by Emilio Torres
6 PM **For the Parish**

Monday, August 24
8 AM **Sp. Int. For The Disciples of Jesus & Mary and their Families** by Alicia Longoria
6:30 PM Holy Hour
7:30 PM **Carmen Martinez†** by the Family

Tuesday, August 25
8 AM **Luis Barrios, Jr.†** by the Campos Family

Wednesday, August 26
8 AM **Elvira Bendele†** by Bea Peterson
Yolanda Ramirez† by Mark Tharp

Thursday, August 27
8 AM **John Inglett†** by Kyle & Rebecca Reich

Friday, August 28
8 AM **Nancy Otto†** by Greg Otto

Saturday, August 29
5 PM **Anne Merlo† & Dee Hancock†** by the Families
Rosemary Martha Newton† & Health for Elva M. Cruz by Elva Cruz

Sunday, August 30
8 AM **David Revilla†** by Teresa Revilla
Brimilda Carvalho† by Jeremias & Clarissa Fernandes
10 AM **Margaret & Albert Suarez†, Alan J. Ponce† & Vanessa Cree†** by Alma Ponce
12 PM **Bertha Analco†** by her Niece
3 PM **In Thanksgiving for Augustina M. Zapanta** by the Family
6 PM **For the Parish**

*BB = Birthday Blessings
Sp. Int. = Special Intention

PARISH NEWS

Next Baptism Class: Sept. 1st

St. Anthony Claret Men's Club Daddy Daughter Dance

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For daughters of any age.
Enjoy a magical evening featuring ballroom dancing, fairytale music, and a commemorative photo booth.

Saturday, September 26th, 6-10 PM.
$20 per person; Tickets go on sale August 29th/30th until sold out.
(Limited to 120 guests.) Cash, check & credit card accepted.

UNITY DAY

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SUNDAY OCTOBER 25TH, 2026
11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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APPLICATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL. SOLICITUDES ESTÁN SUJETAS A APROBACIÓN.

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APPLICATIONS DUE SEPTEMBER 30TH. LAS SOLICITUDES DEBEN ENTREGARSE ANTES DEL 30 DE SEPTIEMBRE.

Young Adult
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Theology on TAP

Aug. 27
(every 4th Thurs.)

6:30PM
at the **Refuge**
11011 Shanefield Rd,
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Join us for drinks (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) and a chance to meet like-minded young Catholics

THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

What did the little corn say to the mama corn?



Where is Pop corn?

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NEWS

Rooted in Christ
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a Campaign for
St. Anthony Mary Claret Roman Catholic Church

3 Ways to Give

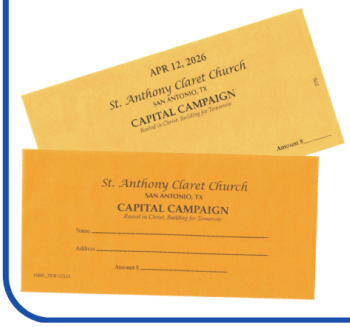
You've made the pledge, now is the time to fulfill that promise!

Method 1: Cash or Check

You may donate via **Cash** or **Check** in the weekly collection, but make sure to designate your donation as being for the capital campaign!

Properly designate checks by writing **"Capital Campaign"** or the abbreviation **"RCBT"** (**R**ooted in **C**hrist, **B**uilding for **T**omorrow) in the memo.

*__While separate checks are preferred__, you may designate a single check for separate collections by including the collections and amounts in the memo.



You may also designate **cash and checks** by using the **Gold** envelope included with your **monthly** collection envelopes.

*Note that regardless of your pledge basis, you will only receive ONE envelope per month.

Additional **Gold envelopes** can be found in the **parish office** and in the **narthex** after all masses

Method 2: Card

You may donate online via **Card** and Apple Pay or Google Pay, by following the QR code or visiting our website: **samcsa.com/capital-campaign/**

Our current system only allows for single-time payments. If you are interested in setting up a **reoccurring payment**, please contact our Parish bookkeeper, Edward Tenorio, at **bookkeeper@saclaret.com**

Method 3: Special Methods

You may donate via: **Stocks**, **Bonds**, **Mutual Funds**, & **Direct Charitable Contribution** from a retirement account, by contacting our parish bookkeeper, Edward Tenorio, at **bookkeeper@saclaret.com**

PARISH NEWS

SAC Pantry Activity Report: July 2026

Utility Assistance:	**$8,503.35**
Restock Food Pantry:	**$5,926.22**
Other Client Assistance	**$ 181.97**
Office Expenses:	**$ 117.24**

ST ANTHONY CLARET'S PANTRY
HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS

Jimmy Moos Trust Fund
Amount Used: $5,822.64
People Served: 30

People Served:	**1,183**
Food Bags Distributed:	**198**
Home Deliveries Made:	**40**

Marriage Orientation

MANDATORY Orientation
Orientación OBLIGATORIA

Thursday, September 17
7 PM, Msgr. Hubertus Hall



Call Rosie Mendoza at the parish office to register:
Llamar Rosie Mendoza a la oficina parroquial para registrarse:
(210) 688-9033 Ext - 209

PARISH NEWS

THE PASSION OF
St. John the Baptist
August 29

St. Anthony Mary Claret
Retiro ACTS de mujeres en español
Septiembre 17-20, 2026



"Abre, Señor, nuestros corazones para que comprendamos las palabras de tu Hijo."

Hechos 16, 14

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Utilice el código QR para obtener más información y realizar el registro y pago en línea

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SAMC Men's Club Brisket Plate Sale

Sunday, August 23 | 9am-2pm
Msgr. Hubertus Hall

$15 Cash/Check
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Brisket, Sausage, Beans, Potato Salad, Pickles & Onions



The Sunday Morning 10am Choir is Recruiting Experienced Vocalists & Instrumentalists for the Fall Season.
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COMMUNITY NEWS

Recently divorced, or widowed?

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Beginning Experience
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The San Antonio Beginning Experience ministry team will host a will host a one-day, online retreat for individuals who have lost a spouse to death, divorce, or separation on

Saturday, August 29
8:30 am - 4:00 pm
Cost: $40

For more info & to register, contact Barbara at 210-724-9269 (Text or Message Only)

The San Antonio team will also host a Beginning Experience Weekend September 18 to 20, at the Moye Center in Castroville, TX. Inquire when you call.

A Women's Haven Pregnancy Crisis Center Presents
A Night of Faith, Hope, & Courage
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Tuesday, Sept. 8
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AN EVENING OF INSPIRATION ★ FELLOWSHIP ★ HOPE FOR STRONGER MARRIAGES

FAITH & PRAYER

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

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



Hong Nguyen



Jesus Martinez

Holy Spirit, set our hearts aflame that all may answer the call to imitate Christ and follow the path which God has set before each of us.

Holy Spirit, strengthen us and especially those called to consecrated life, that we may face our doubts and tribulations fearlessly and joyfully.
Amen

We also pray for this order committed to consecrated life:
Order of Discalced Carmelites

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Robert Salinas
SJS
Michael Martinez
Anne Comeaux
Teena Beck
Hector Mendez
Maria Herrera
Deacon Jerry
Rosemary V.

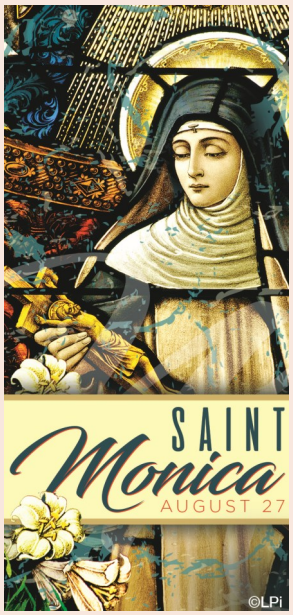
All praise and glory is yours, Lord our God, for you have called us to serve you in love. Bless these our loved ones, that they may bear their illness in union with your Son's obedient suffering. Restore them to health, and lead them to glory. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

To submit a name to be added to this prayer list, please scan this QR code or call the Parish Office

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sun 23: Is 22:19-23 | Rom 11:33-36 | Mt 16:13-20
Mon 24: Rv 21:9b-14 | Jn 1:45-51
Tues 25: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17 | Mt 23:23-26
Wed 26: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18 | Mt 23:27-32
Thurs 27: 1 Cor 1:1-9 | Mt 24:42-51
Fri 28: 1 Cor 1:17-25 | Mt 25:1-13
Sat 29: 1 Cor 1:26-31 | Mk 6:17-29
Sun 30: Jer 20:7-9 | Rom 12:1-2 | Mt 16:21-27

St. Monica | August 27



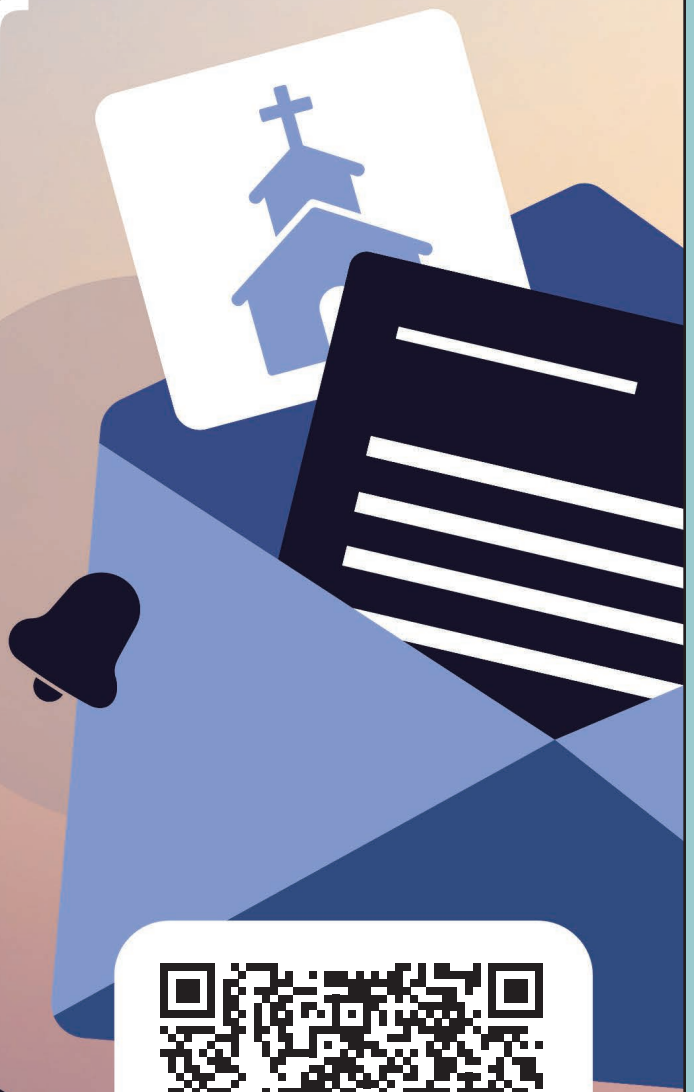
Raising faithful children is no easy task. For St. Monica, it seemed nearly impossible. Her husband wasn't Christian and often mocked her faith. Their son, Augustine, fell quickly into wild ways. He and his friends drank, stole, and caroused throughout town. Monica never stopped praying for Augustine, no matter how far he strayed. Augustine became swept up in heresy, a false form of Christianity. He lived with a mistress and had a child out of wedlock. All the while, Monica kept praying. Conversion came slowly to Augustine, but at age 32, he was finally baptized.



Augustine would go on to become a priest, then bishop, then world-renowned theologian whose works have stood the test of time. May St. Monica and St. Augustine inspire us to never stop praying for our loved ones. ©LPi

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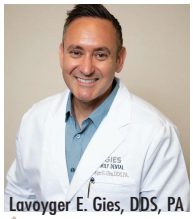
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