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October 11, 2026 **Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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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 22:1-14

Some friends invited me to one of the most famous and expensive restaurants in the country. I was grateful and eager to go. One invited friend even flew from another state for the experience. Every bite and sip was truly memorable and delicious. But my friends' teenage children spent much of the time on their phones, complained about the food, and generally ignored the once-in-a-lifetime experience. I wanted to yell, "C'mon, you guys! Look what you're missing!"

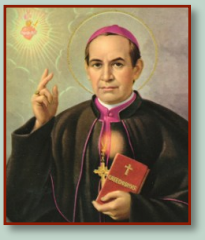
In today's parable, Jesus describes people invited to an amazing wedding feast who respond with inexplicable indifference. He says, **"Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business"** (Matthew 22:5). The problem is not that they choose evil but that they allow other desires to distract them from an amazing opportunity. The feast is prepared, but their hearts are elsewhere. In Christ Jesus, God offers each of us a wildly extravagant offer: a place at the wedding banquet between heaven and earth.

What are your current excuses for the delay in engaging with Jesus? How are you postponing a deepening of your relationship with him under the guise of responsibility? The good news is that the feast is ready. His invitation remains. Hear the Lord say to us, "C'mon, guys! Look what you're missing!" Then respond with concrete action.

- 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: September 12/13

Attendance	4,587
Regular Collection	$30,999.36
Capital Campaign	$ 7,170.00
SAMC Pantry	$ 1,774.29
Gabriel Project	$ 670.00
Candles	$ 517.53
Rosary Makers	$ 45.00
Mass Intentions	$ 105.00
Archbishops Appeal	$ 827.00

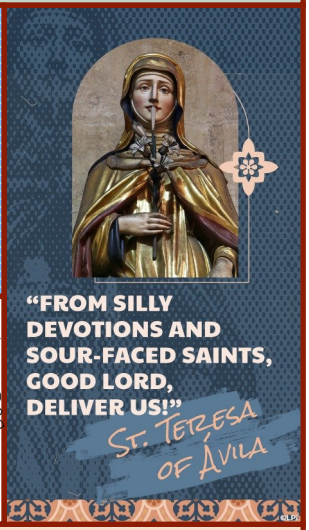
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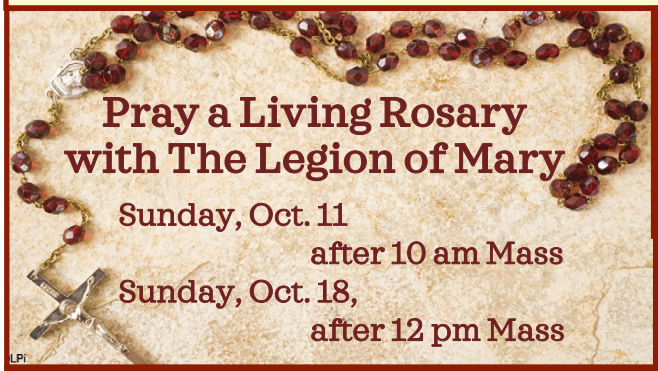
ATTENTION: DEADLINES HAVE CHANGED!

All Submissions are due at 11:59PM

Oct. 24/25 issue: **Sunday** Oct. 18
Oct. 31/ Nov. 01 issue: **Sunday** Oct. 25
Nov. 07/08 issue: **Sunday** Oct. 01
Nov. 14/15 issue: **Sunday** Oct. 08

Next Baptism Class:
Tuesday, Nov. 3
7PM | RE Bldg.





Happy
~~Columbus Day~~
~~Indigenous Peoples' Day~~
Day off of School



No RE This Week:
Sun. 11 | Wed. 14

REMINDER:
All parishioners may request up to **10 Mass Intentions** per year. Call the parish office at least a month before your preferred mass



THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 10
5 PM **Darrell Fenwick† & Dee Hancock†** by the Families
Alicia Garces† by the Family

Sunday, October 11
8 AM **Crystal Mayez†** by the Family
Andy Bernal, Jr.† by Ernest & Margie Miller
10 AM **Margaret & Albert Suarez†, Alan J. Ponce†, & Vanessa Cree†** by Alma Ponce
12 PM **For all Members of the Moravits, Zaiontz, & Lyssy Families and the Souls in Purgatory†** by Rose Moravits
3 PM **Felix Duque Avalos†** by the Family
6 PM **For the Parish**

Monday, October 12
8 AM **BBs* for Daniella Semas, Wendy Corona, and Bernadette Mauga** by Michelle Semas
6:30 PM Holy Hour
7:30 PM **Fermin & Ismael Chevez† and Rosaura Perez†** by the Mejia Family

Tuesday, October 13
8 AM **Sp. Int. In Thanksgiving for the Blessed Sacrament** by a Family

Wednesday, October 14
8 AM **Edvardo 'Eddie" Garcia†** by his Family

Thursday, October 15
8 AM **Marge Lucido†** by Larry Lucido & Family
Letty Arzola† by the Family

Friday, October 16
8 AM **Nancy Otto†** by Greg Otto
Lan Tran† by Viet Tran

Saturday, October 17
5 PM **Mary Friedrichs†** by Bea Peterson
Rosemary Martha Newton† and Health for Elva M. Cruz by Elva Cruz

Sunday, October 18
8 AM **Eddie & Myrtice Eskew†** by the Family
10 AM **Robert Espinosa†** by Selia & Family
12 PM **Gerardo & Lucia Botello†** by The Botello-Ramirez Family
3 PM **Nancy & Juan Carlos Monterosa†** by the Mejia Family
6 PM **For the Parish**

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

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NEWS

3 Ways to Give

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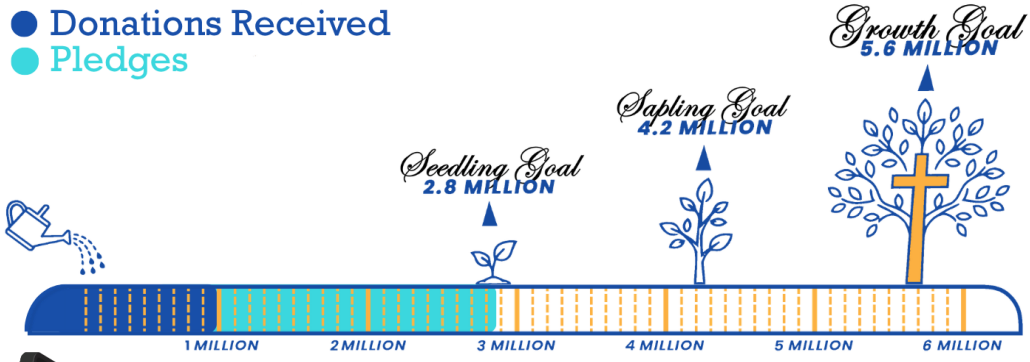
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At the Parish Office or in the narthex after Mass

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Building for Tomorrow

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St. Anthony Mary Claret Roman Catholic Church

SEPTEMBER 2026 REPORT



Campaign Project Spotlight

Consider a One-Time Gift

Every Gift Counts! We appreciate all donations, no matter the size! Whatever you can give today will help us Build for Tomorrow!



Restoring the Bell Tower & Church Foundation

Part of our Campaign is for the repair of our Bell Tower and the Church Foundation. Restoration may not be "exciting," but these repairs are vital to keeping our parish standing tall for generations to come!

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Centennial Celebration

Saturday, Nov. 7 | Nelson W. Wolff Stadium
Gates Open 3pm | Mass Begins 4pm
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PARISH NEWS







Gabriel Project Report: September 2026

#Families Served: 60
#Children Provided Diapers/Wipes: 78
#Car Seats Provided: 3
#Beds Provided: 2
#Children Provided Clothing: 23
#Formula/Food Items Provided: 27
#New Clients Registered: 10

THE GABRIEL PROJECT

Special thanks to **Morningstar of Alamo Ranch** for meeting our storage needs, and to **The Ladies of SAMC Ministry** for their recent diaper drive

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

THE SUNDAY FUNNIES

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PARISH NEWS



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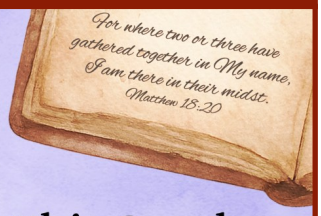


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Teen Bible Sharing





This Sunday
7:00 - 9:00 pm
in Msgr. Hubertus Hall

Magnificat MOTHERS

Scan to Connect

Thursday, Oct. 15
9:00 am - 11:30 am
in the RE building



For more info,
contact Isabelle Wallace at (210)730-5982
or magnificatmothers@outlook.com

Silver Seniors Oktoberfest Luncheon

Wednesday, October 21

Msgr. Hubertus Hall
Doors open at 11:30 am
for all Catholics ages 55+

Info & RSVP:
Maria Richardson
210-722-4627

Come by for Good Food, Prayer & Fellowship!

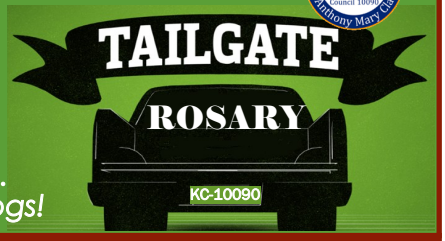
Knights of Columbus Council #10090 presents:

Tailgate Rosary

Tuesday, Oct. 20, 7:00PM

Parking lot by the Pavilion
Followed by Fellowship Hour

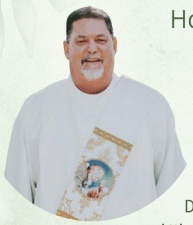
Bring your family, rosaries & lawn chairs. We'll bring the hot dogs!



COMMUNITY NEWS

Allied Women's Center 17th Annual Gala

October 16, 2026
Holy Trinity Banquet Hall
20523 Huebner Road



Keynote Speaker
Deacon Ken Gottardy

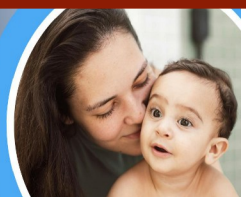
Check-in: 6-7 pm
Dinner and Program: 7-9 pm
Attire: Business or Business Casual
Attendance and delicious dinner are free.
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Advanced registration is required.
Deadline October 14
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www.alliedwomenscenter.com

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Sept. 23-Nov. 1 2026



HELP SAVE LIVES IN SAN ANTONIO!

www.40daysforlife.com/sanantonio

- **Vigil location:** Sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood, 2140 Babcock Rd., 78229
- **Vigil days and hours:** Sept. 23-Oct. 31 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Mon.-Sat.
- **Local contact:** Cindi Serna, cindi@sacfl.org, 210-410-9424
- **San Antonio Coalition for Life Helpline:** 210-668-1993
- **Sign-up for individuals and groups:** 40daysforlife.com/sanantonio
- **Follow us:** SACFL1 San Antonio Coalition for Life
- **Website/newsletter sign-up:** sacfl.org

10th Annual Gala


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keynote speaker


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https://naturalwomanhood.org/gala-2026/

More info: silvia@naturalwomanhood.org
naturalwomanhood.org

Natural Womanhood

FAITH & PRAYER

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

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


Joseph Duque


Javier Ramos


Jesse Rios

Heavenly Father, You have called these men to a path not walked by many. I pray that they may find Your everlasting peace and joy in their service to You.

Help all of us to be ever ready to render assistance whenever and however it may be needed. Let us always remember that it is through You alone that we find fulfillment and happiness.

Amen.

We also pray for this order committed to consecrated life:
MISSIONARIES OF SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Mary Dunk Knisley	Karen Garcia
Jake Berry	Annette Navarro
Oralia Williams	Maria Perales
Catherine Schulz	SJS
Kathleen Shinn	

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

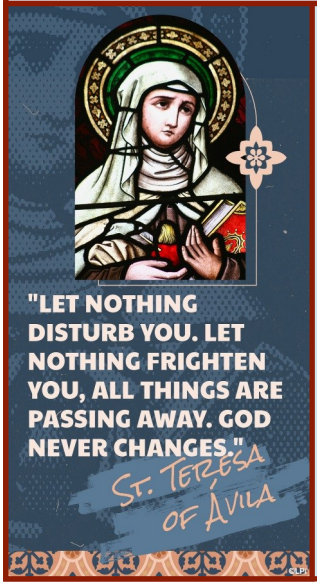
Sun 11: Is 25:6-10a | Phil 4:12-14, 19-20 | Mt 22:1-14
Mon 12: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1 | Lk 11:29-32
Tues 13: Gal 5:1-6 | Lk 11:37-41
Wed 14: Gal 5:18-25 | Lk 11:42-46
Thurs 15: Eph 1:1-10 | Lk 11:47-54
Fri 16: Eph 1:11-14 | Lk 12:1-7
Sat 17: Eph 1:15-23 | Lk 12:8-12
Sun 18: Is 45:1, 4-6 | 1 Thes 1:1-5b | Mt 22:15-21

Respect Life Topic: Abortion Pills

Did you know: Abortion Pills are the current most prominent way of aborting a child. These pills have been shown to cause direct harm to the mother and are dangerously easy to acquire. Read more about them at ***bit.ly/what-are-abortion-pills***

Take Action: Every abortion involves the death of a child and harm to a mother. With easier access to abortion pills, more and more mothers and children are tragically killed: spiritually and physically. We ask, always, for prayers for the women deceived by the abortion industry, but also for your vigilance. Visit ***respectlife.org/abortion-pills*** to make sure you know the facts about abortion pills.





St. Teresa of Ávila | Oct 15

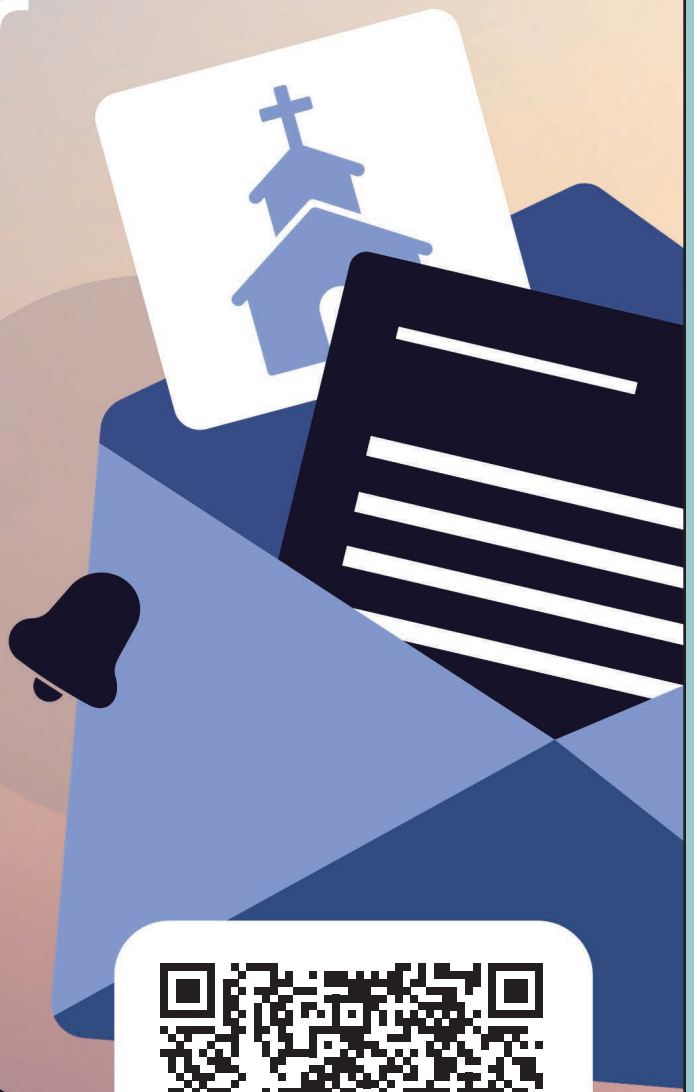
St. Teresa of Ávila (1515-1582) was a Spanish Carmelite nun who lived in the 16th century. She was a mystic and author of spiritual writings and poems. The originator of the Carmelite Reform, she founded numerous convents throughout Spain and restored the order's contemplative life. She became well known for the mystical experiences, many of which she described in her autobiography.

The first of only four women to be named a Doctor of the Church, St. Teresa's ascetic doctrine and Carmelite reforms shaped Roman Catholic contemplative life, and her writings on the Christian soul's journey to God are considered works of art. Her writings, especially the "Way of Perfection" and "The Interior Castle," have helped generations of believers.

St. Teresa of Avila died on Oct. 15, 1582. She was canonized on March 22, 1622, along with three of her greatest contemporaries: St. Ignatius Loyola, St. Francis Xavier, and St. Philip Neri. ***St. Teresa of Ávila, pray for us!***

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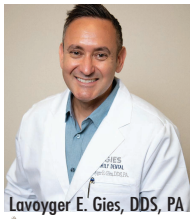
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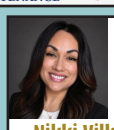
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