

St. Anselm Catholic Church



July 31, 2016

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart.

— *Psalm 90:12*

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Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil 5:00pm,
Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, and 5:00pm

Weekday Mass: Monday through Friday 8:00am

Parish Office Hours: 8:30am-1:00pm, 2:00pm-5:00pm

Holy Day Masses: Vigil at 5:30pm, 8:00am, 11:00am
5:00pm

Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:00pm-4:45pm
or by appointment

Baptism: Preparation Class required,
call parish office

Sacrament of the Sick: Anytime upon request.
Contact Pastor.

Matrimony: Six months notification required prior to
desired date. Contact Pastor.

St. Vincent de Paul Help Desk: (415) 454-0366

Helping Hands: (415) 453-2342

Eucharist for Homebound: (415)-453-2342

St. Anselm's Parish is a Catholic community formed by families, individuals and clergy that worship together, celebrate the sacramental life of the Church, and seek to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ everyday. We welcome, serve, and educate.



"Everything is Vanity"

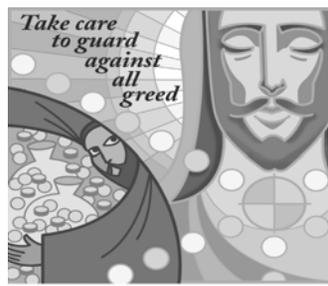
Let me start this reflection by thanking all of you, Fr. Jose and you parishioners. It's been three successive years now

that I have been coming to St. Anselm's parish. I am so much at home and appreciate your kind gestures and friendship. I believe with time it is not only me becoming part of this parish but my parish in Ghana, St. Barnabas, also becoming a sister parish to St. Anselm's. I thank you for the opportunity to celebrate the liturgy with you.

The first reading today reminds me of the question I once asked the teacher, Quohelth. I asked him "how can you say that everything is vanity? Don't you see people spending their time and energy, restlessly acquiring wealth? How can you say all that is vanity? He looked at me and laughed and said but "he will have to leave all that to another who has not toiled for it at all". (2:21) He convinced me and I stopped arguing with him. He taught me that even my argument with him is vanity. He concluded "To sum up the whole matter: fear God and keep his commandments, since this is the whole duty of man." (11:13) The gospel story affirms Solomon's wisdom that everything becomes indeed vanity when one's life is taken from him like the rich man.

Although he had plenty of good harvest he had no opportunity to enjoy it. Let us then learn to share with others while we are still alive. Let us learn to celebrate our wealth with others for we shall put a smile on their face and we shall smile ourselves. Let us love with our wealth for that is the commandment of God. That is the best way to celebrate our wealth. Do not wait till you wouldn't know who inherits your wealth. That one too, says Quohelth, is vanity. I will finish by asking for your support for my young parish especially your prayers as I promise to also pray for you. It is my hope that we meet again next year.

Fr. John Osei Yaw



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MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	Aug 1	8:00 am	Bill Majerle (D)
Tues.	Aug 2	8:00 am	Bill Majerle (D)
Wed.	Aug 3	8:00 am	Bill Majerle (D)
Thurs.	Aug 4	8:00 am	Communion Service
Fri.	Aug 5	8:00 am	Christopher Allen Cook (D)
Sat.	Aug 6	5:00 pm	Justine Marie Matteucci (D)
Sun.	Aug 7	8:00 am 10:00 am 5:00 pm	Don Ross (D) DeDe Maioli (D) Parish People

Sick Relatives & Friends

As a community we ask God's blessing for the ill:

Gaylene DeBisschop, Mark Gardner, Garth Stanton, Nancy Hall, Eithne Kilty, Kay Sisler, Quonnella Lee, Steve Leland, Dylan Jewell, Christopher Goward, Margaret Formichi, Debra Birell, Ray Johnson, Barbara Gilligan, Richard Green, Irene Lorente, Beverly Broyer, Mario Perrando, Louisa Espinosa, Eileen Lloyd, Gary Mc Partlin, Howard Berggren, Joy Snyder, Valeria Venturini

For the repose of the soul of: Michael Sabella

For those serving in the military: Adam Dear, Robert Ernest Gebhardt, Tyler Lopez, Alex Boatwright, Sean Courtz & Elizabeth Baumsteiger, Christian Miller

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:13-21
- Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
- Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28
- Thursday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23
- Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28
- Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36
- Sunday: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Hb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]



Nick Case Gives His Thanks to our Parish:

“Thank you, parishioners of St. Anselm’s, for your years of warmth and support. Please know I will be praying for all of you and please keep me in your prayers as I enter formation to be a priest.”

Remember to keep Nick, and all studying for the priesthood, in your prayers.

Juibilee Prayer for Mercy

Loving God– Help us to live out in our daily lives the mercy which you extend to all of us. As you cast open the doors of your heart to us, may we respond with urgency to proclaim your mercy to others. May we always be credible witnesses to mercy, professing it and living it as the core of the revelation of Jesus Christ. May we never tire of extending mercy, and be ever patient in offering compassion and comfort. May we become the voice of every man and woman, and repeat confidently without end: “Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old”. Amen

St. Anselm Church Stewardship

Registered Parishioner Families 2016 = 1654

Last Sunday Collection (Envelope & Loose):
\$4,090

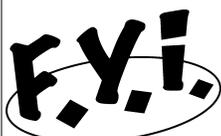
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Second Collections:

St. Vincent de Paul—July 31

St. Anselm School—August 7

Centennial Building & Maintenance—
August 21



Going on vacation?
Go to www.masstimes.org to locate a church near you.

Story Telling

Save the date: Wednesday, August 3, 7pm. The Spiritual Life Committee invites you to join them in the second session of exploring our faith through stories. Cathryn Fairlee, a member of the American folklore Association, will be the guest presenter. Cathryn will tell Jewish tales, some Midrash and some of a later time from Eastern Europe and the Near East.

These tales touch listeners with their life lessons, music and humor. The stories will explain some of the philosophy and ethics that have been the roots of the Hebrew people for thousands of years, and passed on to Christian and Muslim communities. As Cathryn told a rabbi storyteller, if you pass on your stories to all who will listen, there will be much more appreciation of the Jewish culture. He agreed and told stories more often.

Cathryn will tell of Lilith, the first wife of Adam; stories of Chelm, the village of the wisest fools; of the Baal Shem Tov, the founder of Hassidism; of the Wisest and Ugliest woman; and inform all of the Path to Heaven.



MEDICAL REMINDER: Remember to drink enough water- especially during these hot, hot days. Avoid becoming dehydrated. Stay Cool!
Rose Shaddock–
Parish Health-Senior Ministry



Have You Been Thinking About Possibly Becoming a Catholic?

Are you in need of baptism and seeking spirituality in your life?

Have you come from a different faith background and would like to learn more about what Catholics believe and why? Are you an adult who was baptized in the Catholic Church but never made your First Communion and/or Confirmation? If any of the previous apply to you, we would love to help in your faith journey through a process in the Catholic Church called The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA).

RCIA is a process of prayer, discussions, study and celebration. It is not a hurried process, but a deliberate, personal process of growth and understanding that takes as long as one needs. Typically, the process takes about 9 months, but it may be longer.

Contact the Rectory (415)-453-2342

St. Anselm Church Calendar of Events



SAVE THE DATE

August 3 Storytelling, 7pm Centennial Hall

Events Near St. Anselm Parish

Together in Holiness: A Marriage Conference Series in the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

Catholic couples through the Bay Area who desire to grow together in holiness and learn to form their children in the Catholic Faith are invited!

Registration and more information is found online at www.togetherholiness.org.

The Conference Series will be hosted by Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Belmont.

Speakers include: Most Rev. Salvatore Cordileone, Archbishop of San Francisco, Arland Nichols, President of St. John Paul II Foundation, among others.

Tuesday, August 2, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. *Entering the Landscape of the Mystics.* You are invited to a Gather@Grand evening with James Finley, Ph.D. Psychologist and Thomas Merton scholar, James Finley is one of the best contemporary spiritual teachers of the mystical tradition. To begin a five day retreat at Santa Sabina Center, Dr. Finley is presenting this special evening for all guests. *Space is limited. Please be sure to RSVP (415) 453 -8303, or CommunityRelations@sanrafaelop.org if you plan to join us.* 1520 Grand Avenue, San Rafael between Acacia and Locust Streets.

Come join The Catholic Adult Singles Association of Marin County!

The Catholic Adult Singles Association of Marin is a group of 50+ single or single again Catholics who are interested in making new friends, taking part in social activities, sharing opportunities for spiritual growth and becoming involved in volunteer projects that will benefit our parishes, our community, and one another. We welcome those who are interested. For Membership & Event information, please call Bob at (415) 897-0639.



WELCOME

Please extend a warm, and enthusiastic St. Anselm welcome to Natalie Larraga, our new Director of Religious Education.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It is with humility and great joy that I take this opportunity to introduce myself to you as your Director of Religious Education. I first visited the Bay Area in 2012 when my younger brother was accepted to UC Berkeley. From that moment on, the Bay Area became my dream location. In Matthew 7:7 our Lord has said to us, "Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you." Being a San Diegan, my whole life, I am so excited to be here. I will admit, I am still getting used to the colder climate and hospitality of locals.

As a way of introduction, let me briefly share with you my foundations. I am a single mother of a beautiful five year old. My daughter, Ariella, is the greatest joy in my life. I strongly believe I was born to be a mother, it suits me well. Both my daughter and I are vegans. I am Mexican-Basque with some French and Spaniard blood in me. My family is small but very proud.

Fun Fact: Initially I had planned on attending law school and becoming a criminal lawyer, but God had other plans for me.

I thank Fr. Jose for his invitation of employment and to all of you for what I expect to be a warm welcome into your community.

Peace,
Natalie Larraga

Degrees

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy-
University of San Diego
Bachelor of Arts in Theology and Religious
Studies-
University of San Diego
Masters of Theological Studies-
Franciscan School of Theology

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