**St. Anselm Catholic Church**

**St. Anselm School Open House**  
January 29th, 11:30-1:00

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**January 29, 2017**  
**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." - Matthew 5:3

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| **Clergy:**  
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor  
Email: Fr.Shaji@saintanselm.org  
Deacon Bernie O’Halloran  
Deacon Ed Cunningham  
Deacon Bob Meave |
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Sissy Ratto  
St.anselmooffice@att.net |
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Dre@saintanselm.org |
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(415) 453-6533 |
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Michael Mello  
(415) 453-2342 |
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| **School Website:**  
www.StAnselmSchool.com |
| **CYO Website:**  
www.stanselmyco.org |

| **Mass Schedule:**  
Saturday Vigil 5:00pm,  
Sunday  8:00am, 10:00am, and 5:00pm |
| **Weekday Mass:**  
Monday through Friday 8:00am  
(Tuesday 8:00am is a Communion Service)  
Tuesday & Thursday 5:30pm |
| **Parish Office Hours:**  
8:30am-1:00pm, 2:00pm-5:00pm |
| **Holy Day Masses:**  
8:00am, 12:00pm, 5:30pm |
| **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 |

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"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."
Dear Parishioners,

Today's gospel recounts the beginning of the Sermon on the Mount according to St. Matthew who wrote the gospel to a Jewish-Christian community of the first century. He presents Jesus as the new Moses, who unfolds his radical manifesto (new Torah) of the Kingdom of God to his disciples (new Israel) from the mountain (new Sinai). The gospel promises that those who follow the Sermon on the Mount (new Torah) will be rewarded with the beatitudes and the Kingdom of God.

The eight Beatitudes illustrate the basic characters of the disciples of Jesus. The abode of beatitudes remains with those who are poor in spirit, those who mourn, the meek, the seekers of righteousness, the merciful, the pure in heart, the peacemakers, and those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness. Though the ethical teachings of Jesus are certainly radical, challenging, and contrary to what the world advocates today, the great moral thinkers, including Tolstoy and Gandhi, have found them the most effective guidelines for peace and happiness already here on earth. The fifth chapter of Matthew's gospel ends with the exhortation of Jesus: 'Be perfect therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect'. The Greek term 'telios' refers to both perfection and destination.

As Catholics and disciples of Christ, our destination is Kingdom of God and our purpose is to become holier and perfect as our heavenly Father is perfect. Though the destination seems to be too far and impossible to reach easily, the journey has been already initiated at the time of our baptism. Let us persevere with the help of God's Grace and move forward in our spiritual journey by following the ethical teachings of Christ – the sermon on the mount.

This weekend, Fr. David Schunk, the Director of Vocations, will be with us celebrating all the Masses and talking to us about vocations to priesthood. Let us continue to pray for and encourage vocations in our Parish and Archdiocese.

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Chris Arockiaraj, PSS

St. Anselm Church Stewardship
Registered Parishioner Families 2016 = 1675
Last Sunday Collection (Envelope & Loose): $4,511
St. Patrick Seminary- $1,100

*Please log onto Parish Pay and update your CC expiration date!

Second Collections:
St. Vincent DePaul– January 29
St. Anselm School- February 5
Centennial Building & Maintenance– February 19

** MASS INTENTIONS **

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** Sick Relatives & Friends **

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

For the repose of the soul of: Mila Weed

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

** READINGS FOR THE WEEK **

Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

** THE CHRISTIAN IDEAL **

The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting. It has been found difficult and left untried.

--Gilbert K. Chesterton
BRINGING HOLY COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS:
If you know of a parishioner who is unable to attend Mass but would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the Rectory so that arrangements can be made for a Eucharistic Minister to bring the parishioner Holy Communion. Homebound includes anyone who is unable to attend Mass on an ongoing basis or anyone who is temporarily unable to go to Mass due to, for instance, a surgery, illness or injury.

When a simple gesture can bring someone great joy—
Our long-time parishioner, Karen Poligono ‘Little Karen’, whom most of you see at Mass every Sunday, or at the 5:30 Mass on Tuesday and Thursday, or walking through San Anselmo, rain or shine, has had hip surgery because of a fall. The best medicine for a successful and speedy recovery for Karen is to know that she is loved and missed, as well as prayers. Please take a few minutes to send her a Get Well/You Are Missed Card. This simple act of caring and kindness is what makes our St. Anselm Community so special.

Ms. Karen Poligono
1717B Fifth Ave
San Rafael, CA 94901

Green Tip: Cutting back on the lights! During these dark, rainy days, we’re indoors more and the lights are on more. Choosing the right light sources can make a huge difference in the energy efficiency of your home. Be sure to choose the lowest possible wattage when replacing your indoor bulbs, and motion sensors are excellent for outdoor lighting. Not only do they shut off automatically, they add an extra layer of security to your home.

Health Tip: Got asthma? Your pillow, a haven for dust mites, could be making matters worse. Wash your pillows regularly and replace them annually.

Prayer for Vocations
God, our Father, In Your love and providence, You call each of us to a more holy and abundant life. We pray for our young people in the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Open their hearts and minds to know the vocation You have planned for them for all eternity. If they are being invited to follow You as a priest, Brother, or Sister, give them a generous heart to respond to Your challenging call and the strength to follow wherever You lead them. May families desire to please You by encouraging and supporting vocations within their homes. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd. Amen.

If you believe God is calling you to the priesthood or religious life or would like to learn more about vocations and our seminarians, please contact Fr. Schunk:

   vocations@sfarch.org  415-614-5684  facebook.com/sfvocations
   sfarch.org/vocations
**St. Anselm Church Calendar of Events**

**SAVE THE DATE**
January 29– St. Anselm School Open House  
11:30-1:00  
January 30– Fr. Joe Eagan will speak– 7:30–Hall  
February 5– Adopt-A-Family Celebration-11:00 Hall  
February 9– Valentine Tea-3:00 Hall  
February 11– Confirmation –2:30

**Events Near St. Anselm Parish**

**Anniversary Mass at Cathedral for National Marriage Week**  
*Saturday, February 4, 10:00 am St Mary’s Cathedral, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco*  
Ed Hopfner HopfnerE@SFArch.org 415-614-5680 anniversarymass.info  

The Archdiocese of San Francisco will offer its annual Wedding Anniversary Mass on February 4, at the Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption, at 10:00 am. We will honor wedding anniversaries for those celebrating sacramental marriages reaching “5-year” milestones (5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, or more) in 2017. The principal celebrant will be the Most Reverend Carlos Sevilla, Bishop Emeritus of Yakima, Washington, and formerly a Bishop of San Francisco. **Registration is required by January 27** at anniversarymass.info, and a donation of $20 is requested. For more information, use the email or phone above.

**Catholic Charities Sunday 2016**  
**Impact -**Your contributions changed thousands of lives**  

Every day for the last 110 years, parishioners like you have put your faith into action through your support of Catholic Charities, which was founded in 1907 as the social services arm of the Catholic Church in San Francisco, Marin, and San Mateo Counties. Last May, during the Catholic Charities Sunday second collection at 93 churches in the Archdiocese, parishioners like you collectively contributed more than $219,000 to change the lives of our neighbors in need. Your donations helped 3,503 individuals avoid homelessness and receive housing; and 5,333 women and men get affordable and ethical legal immigration services. You helped 26,855 children participate in healthy development for lifelong success; and 1,628 seniors and adults with disabilities receive the gift of independence. To review our Impact Report for 2016, visit www.CatholicCharitiesImpact.org. Thank you for your sustained support as we continue to serve those who come to us in need.
ST. ANSELM’S

VALENTINE TEA PARTY

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9th
3:00-4:30
CENTENNIAL HALL

Wear your favorite hat
& bring your special teacup,
if you wish

$5 DONATION SUGGESTED

ST. ANSELM
ADOPT-A-FAMILY

You are invited to be a part of Adopt-A-Family celebrating 25 years of helping families of our community who are in need of assistance. After all, we could not serve these families without you!

Join us for coffee and pastries:

Date: Sunday, February 5th
Time: Following the 10:00am Mass
Place: Centennial Hall
Bulletin Number:
513520

Church Name and Address:
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Ross, CA  94957-1061

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