March 5, 2017
First Sunday of Lent

"The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve." -- Matthew 4:10

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,
In the first reading of this Sunday we have the story of Adam and Eve who were tempted. In the Gospel reading we have the story of Jesus being tempted. Before the fall, Adam and Eve were programmed to do the will of God. But then, God gave them the freedom to choose. God gave them the freedom to be moral, to live by choice and to live consciously. Unfortunately, they chose to abuse that freedom. In the desert, Jesus was faced with the same choice: to do his own will or to do the will of God. Jesus chose to do his Father’s will. God has given us the same freedom: to choose good or evil. We can choose God or reject him. All our achievements, all our discoveries, all our technological advancements, all our wars are about using the freedom of choice that God gave us. In our day to day lives, when we are faced with a temptation, may we always have the courage to choose God.
Yours sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

Mass Schedule
During Lent:
The weekday Mass schedule during the Lenten Season is Monday-Friday 8:00am and 5:30pm. Please note that the 8:00am Tuesday Service is a Communion Service. (not a full Mass) The Sunday Mass Schedule stays the same.: Saturday 5:00pm Vigil Mass, Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, & 5:30pm.

20s to 40s Club - Are you an adult in your 20s, 30s, or 40s? Is your heart on fire for our Lord? Do you enjoy good conversation while sipping on a nice glass of wine? If so, come join our 20s to 40s club here at St. Anselm. Our first meeting will be a “meet and greet social” on March 9th 2017 at our parish hall from 7pm-8:30pm. For more information contact our DRE, Natalie, at Dre@saintanselm.org. Growing in faith together!

St. Anselm Church Stewardship
Registered Parishioner Families 2017= 1675
Last Sunday Collection (Envelope & Loose): $4,809
*Please log onto Parish Pay and update your CC expiration date!
Second Collections:
St. Anselm School– March 5
Centennial Building & Maintenance– March 19
Catholic Relief Services-March 26

Mass Intentions

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Sick Relatives & Friends
As a community we ask God’s blessing for the ill: Mark Gardner, Garth Stanton, Steve Leland, Christopher Goward, Richard Green, Barbara Gilligan, Irene Lorente, Luisa Espinosa, Terese Marklinger, Vincent Boyle, Jeanie Paganetti, Al Dallara, Antoinette Hanna, Rita Wardner, Jonathon Scott, Erik Week, Allison Chichizola, Sara Stander, Archbishop Quinn, Karen Poligono, John Weiser, Bob Buckley, Cherie Visconti, Christine Spada, Mary Margaret Denehy, John Alkazin
For the repose of the soul of: Colin Schreck
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: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7e-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9
A prayer for our earth, from Laudato Si

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one. O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor of the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with each creature as we journey toward your infinite light. We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.- Pope Francis
## St. Anselm Church Calendar of Events

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<td>Women’s Retreat – 9:00-3:30 – Hall &amp; Church</td>
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## Events Near St. Anselm Parish

### The Catholic Place in the World - A Lenten Day of Recollection with Father Dave Pettingill
- **St. Raphael’s Mission** - Saturday, March 11, 2017 - 2:00 to 4:30 PM, followed by Mass at St. Raphael’s Church at 5:00 PM.
- Father Pettingill will also be the celebrant and homilist at the 5:00 PM Mass. There is no cost to attend this event.
- Please RSVP at ebsmith1940@att.net - Sponsored by the Peace, Justice and Service Committee of Saint Raphael Church

### Carmelite Monastery: Novena to St. Joseph:
- The Discalced Carmelite Nuns cordially invite you to attend their annual Novena to St. Joseph from **March 11th to March 19th**, with Mass and Vespers celebrated at 4:00 pm each afternoon, in the Monastery Chapel.
- This year’s Novena will be conducted by Rev. Jose Luis Ferroni, OCD, a Carmelite Friar of the California/Arizona Province of St. Joseph. Father is an outstanding homilist and will share with us his great love for St. Joseph. We hope you will join us for these nine days of prayer and reflection.
- Carmelite Monastery of the Mother of God 530 Blackstone Drive, San Rafael, 94903.

### 28th Annual Day of Recollection presented by the Nazareth House Auxiliary
- **On Wednesday, March 15, 2017, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm.**
- Nazareth House auditorium, 245 Nova Albion Way, San Rafael. Fr. Brian Costello, pastor of Our Lady of Loretto Parish, will be the Retreat Master and Mary Our Mother and Apparitions of Mary will be the theme. Reservations required. Bring a bag lunch. Coffee and dessert will be served, compliments of the auxiliary. For reservations and/or information call either: Peg Walker 415 453-9305 or Pola Martino 415 479-8477.
An amazing afternoon at Centennial Hall: On February 23rd, Centennial Hall was transformed into a beautiful setting filled with shades of pink and red table coverings, flowers, streamers, hearts, and rows and rows of precious teacups. Because of the endless hours of planning, detailing, and organizing given by our Hospitality Committee: Bess Nuzzo, Rose Shadduck, Cathy Cunningham, Dorothy Laddish, and Connie Sume, many parishioners, as well as parish school families, enjoyed a very festive Valentine Tea Party. Party trays filled with finger sandwiches, cookies, cakes, breads, and fruit spanned three long, beautifully decorated tables. All of the food was donated by the many talented bakers and chefs of our parish community. We would like to thank everyone for coming and supporting our Tea Party and we hope you all had a very enjoyable afternoon. Special thanks to Bess and Rose who left no detail undone.
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