Palm Sunday
OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
April 9, 2017
St. Anselm Catholic Church

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God greatly exalted [Christ] and bestowed on him the name which is above every name. -- Philippians 2:9

Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil 5:00pm, Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, and 5:00pm
Weekday Mass: Monday through Friday 8:00am & 5:30pm (Tuesday 8:00am is a Communion Service)
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

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,
We have just entered the Holy Week. The central figure in the readings of today and during the Holy Week is Jesus. He shows us through his passion, suffering and death that the only way to overcome evil is by goodness.

He proved it by his own death. He forgave those who killed him. From the depth of his own pain he reached out to others— the weeping women of Jerusalem, the repentant thief and before he died, he entrusted his mother to John. During this Holy Week, Christ will help us to confront what is negative within ourselves, namely: selfishness, greed, sin and evil. And, when we are able to overcome this within ourselves, we become instruments of God’s love, peace and truth in the world. Let me invite you to prayerful and faith filled Holy Week celebrations!

Yours sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

Holy Week Schedule
Monday, April 10 Masses 8am & 5:30pm
Tuesday, April 11 Masses 8am & 5:30pm
Wednesday, April 12 Masses 8am & 5:30pm

Holy Thursday, April 13
Living Stations of the Cross 11:00am
Mass of the Lord’s Supper 7:30pm
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00pm

Good Friday, April 14
Meditations and Prayer 12:00pm
Living Stations of the Cross 1:00pm
Followed by Good Friday Liturgy
Taize Prayer Service 7:30pm

Holy Saturday, April 15
Confessions 10:00am-11:00am
Easter Vigil 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 16 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

St. Anselm Church Stewardship
Registered Parishioner Families 2017= 1675
Last Sunday Collection (Envelope & Loose): $
St. Anselm School-$ (Information not available at time of printing)
*Please log onto Parish Pay and update your CC expiration date!

Second Collections:
Centennial Building & Maintenance— April 16
Catholic Home Missions— April 23
St. Vincent de Paul— April 30

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION:
Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the Church minister in Parishes, provides for Catholic schools and offers religious education. The Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest, and instability have been hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, this special collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.
HEALING MOVEMENT CLASS
Increase Strength, Flexibility, Balance, Mental Clarity and Joy!

Thursdays, April 13–May 18
10:45 – 11:45am
Centennial Hall
For All Fitness Levels
Please wear comfortable layers and walking/athletic shoes

Healing Movement is a fitness program developed to incorporate gentle, flowing, low-impact forms of exercise to maintain and improve health and reverse the effects of aging. The exercises offered in the Healing Movement classes are grounded in the ancient healing systems of Tai Chi (Grand Ultimate) and Qigong (Vitality Cultivation) and have been translated into a joyful program ideally suited to modern needs.

Tai Chi can be easily adapted for anyone, from the most fit to people confined to wheelchairs or recovering from illness, surgery or loss of a loved one. Please join us. Harvard Health Publications states: “Tai Chi could be the perfect activity for the rest of your life!”

The classes will be taught by Elizabeth Meloney, St. Anselm parishioner, Certified Tai Chi and Qigong Instructor and Co-Founder, Eternal Strength Tai Chi Chuan & Qigong Academy. For additional information, please email: Elizabeth@EternalStrengthTaiChi.com

GREEN TIP: Spring Cleaning – not everyone’s favorite chore. Can we make it more interesting by checking out the products we use for their environmental impact? What are those multi-syllabic ingredients listed on the magic spray bottles? As someone said, if you can’t pronounce it, should you be using it?

HELP IS NEEDED– Often we receive requests for rides to church from our parishioners who are no longer able to drive. We all know how very special it is to be able to join one another in celebrating the Body of Christ. At the moment, we have a parishioner, who lives in Kentfield, who would love a ride to church. She is open to attending any of the Masses. If you are able to help or need more information, please call the Rectory at (415) 453-2342 any time Monday-Friday 8:30-5:00. Thank you!
St. Anselm Church Calendar of Events

April 15– Easter Vigil 8:00pm– Reception to Follow
April 16– HAPPY EASTER– Masses– 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm- (no evening Mass)
April 16– Easter Party for children– 8:35-9:45– Hall
April 16– Easter Egg Hunt following 10:00am Mass
April 17– Parish Office Closed
April 22– Youth Ministry @ Northgate Mall-time TBD
April 29– First Communion 10:00am
April 29– Confirmation 1:00pm

Events Near St. Anselm Parish

St. Vincent de Paul Society Vehicle Program
St. Vincent de Paul of Marin has launched a new vehicle donation program in collaboration with SVDP National’s vehicle vendor, CARS. If you have a car that you would like to donate for a tax deduction, you can call 800-322-8284 or go online and fill out the donation form at http://vinnies.careasy.org/HOME.html.
Your gift supports the SVDP Free Dining Room in San Rafael which serves over 500 meals daily.

GATHER@GRAND– Dominican Sisters of San Rafael-You are invited to join us on Wednesday, May 3, from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
An evening with Sister Marilyn Lacey, RSM
Mercy and Justice and Joy: Working in the war zone of South Sudan
All are welcome! There will be light refreshments and time for your questions. The Gathering Space—Dominican Sisters Center-1520 Grand Ave, San Rafael. Be sure to RSVP– 415-453-8303 or Communityrelations@sanrafaelop.org
www.sanrafaelop.org

A GIFT TO ENHANCE THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE, A LIFE LINE FOR MARRIAGE
We invite you to give yourselves a 3-day retreat and learn more about Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long I). It helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools, concepts, and values to help get a marriage back on track. It will give couples the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine their lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped 10’s of 1000’s of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. You are not alone. For confidential information or to register for the April 2017 program beginning with a weekend on April 28, 29, 30, 2017, please call (1 415)893-1005 or 1800-470-2230 or email to: SF@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.com
Calling all kids! Our Youth Ministry is hosting this year’s “Parish Easter Egg Hunt” on Easter Sunday 4/16 after the 10am mass in our parish courtyard. Come join us after Mass to fill your Easter baskets with goodies. Whoever finds one of the three carrot shaped Easter eggs wins a prize! FYI: before the 10am mass, our Youth Ministry will also be leading an Easter Party for children in our parish hall from 8:35am-9:45am. They will lead the children in an Easter themed game, discuss the meaning of Easter, provide some yummy snacks and watch the Veggie Tales movie called “An Easter Carol.” If your child is not in our Religious Education program but would like to join us for this Pre-Easter Mass event, please email Natalie at Dre@saintanselm.org.

Celebrate Earth Day on Ring Mountain!

On April 22nd, the parish is planning a hike and prayer service on Ring Mountain in Corte Madera- Tiburon to celebrate the beauty of our shared creation. We will meet in the church parking lot at 10am to carpool to our starting point, and take an easy hike up to the top where, at 11:30, we will come together in prayer, led by Fr. Jose.

When: Saturday, April 22nd
Where: Ring Mountain (directions to follow)
Who: All parishioners and families invited
What to bring: Lunch and beverage, hat and sunscreen

Information: Sissy at the Parish Office, 415-453-2342 or www.saintanselm.org
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