St. Anselm Catholic Church

August 27, 2017
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

-- Matthew 16:19

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.

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Parish Website: www.SaintAnselm.org
School Website: www.StAnselmSchool.com

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)

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
Dear Parishioners,

It is very easy to answer the question, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” You are giving someone else’s answer. On one occasion John Lennon said, "We are more popular than Jesus now; I don’t know which will go first, rock ‘n’ roll or Christianity," Later he explained that it was a comment on society and not on Jesus. Many people through the ages have imagined how Jesus would be received if he were to appear in modern society. Thomas Carlyle, the 19th-century historian wrote, "If Jesus Christ were to come today, people would not even crucify him. They would ask him to dinner, and hear what he had to say, and make fun of it." The real question that each one of us has to answer is, "Who do you say that I am?" The first question is easily answered. But the second question, only a true disciple can answer. Every time we Christians meet in the name of Jesus or gather together to pray and worship, we are responding to his question, "Who do you say that I am?"

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

Weekday Mass Schedule -
Our Tuesday & Thursday 5:30pm Masses will resume on Tuesday, September 5th.

HAPPY PEOPLE
The happiest people don't necessarily have the best of everything. They just make the best of everything.
--Anonymous

St. Anselm Church Stewardship
Registered Parishioner Families 2017= 1675
1st Collection: $4,261
2nd Collection: Centennial Maintenance-$1,577
Electronic Weekly Donations-$2,755.75
Please visit our church website to sign-up for Electronic Donations
*Please log onto Parish Pay and update your CC expiration date!
Second Collections:
St. Anselm School– September 3
Priests’ Retirement– September 17

MASS INTENTIONS

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

For the Repose of the Soul– Ryan Lee Nance, Frank Heffernan
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: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29
Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

ONLY ONE
God loves each of us as if there were only one of us.
--St. Augustine
Let us Pray for our Students as they begin a new year!

God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the wonder of our being, for mind, body and spirit. Be with our children as they begin a new school year. Bless them and their teachers and staff. Give them strength and grace as their bodies grow; wisdom and knowledge as they search for understanding; and peace and zeal to their hearts. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Tips to help prevent falling:
1- Take Vitamin D daily (recommended by Kaiser)
2- Exercise regularly, helps your Balance.
3- Keep walkways at home clear.
4- Get rid of scatter rugs on a slick surface, hardwood floors, tiles etc.
5- Wear shoes that fit, get rid of your favorite shoes that have lost any support.
6- Enter only spaces that are well lighted.
Most of all, use good old common sense. If it does not feel right, don’t do it. Example: taking out big cans on a shaky surface!
God Bless, Rose

St. Vincent de Paul Annual (SVdP) Fundraiser- Pennies From Heaven 2017
The fundraiser will be held Saturday, September 9, 2017, at St. Hilary Church, Tiburon. The evening consists of dinner with an auction and raffle. Dinner tickets are $175 each and can be purchased from Suzanne Walker, phone: 415-454-3303 x17 or email: swalker@vinnies.org. Members of the St. Anselm’s SVdP Conference will be selling raffle tickets after all Masses on the weekends of August 26/27 and September 2/3. Tickets are $20 each or 10 tickets for $100 for a chance at winning $1,000 cash or an Apple iPad 128 GB tablet with Wi-fi and Cellular. Money raised through raffle ticket sales goes to the direct support of persons living in the St. Anselm parish area who request assistance.
Bill Langley-President, St Anselm SVdP Conference

Religious Education Pre-K-7th Grade
We are excited to invite all children Pre-K-7th grade to join our 2017-2018 Religious Education program. This year our theme is community. Along with the regularly scheduled grade level sessions, children will have many opportunities within the year to be integrated with the other grades to learn and grow together in Christ. Please go to our Religious Education page to download the registration forms and schedule. Parent Orientation for New Families is August 31st at 6pm.
"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." - MT 19:14

First Communion Preparation Program
This year our First Reconciliation & First Communion preparation program has its own registration, webpage and unique program material separate from our Religious Education program. “Instead of using a traditional textbook or workbook, children interact with and explore The Catholic Children’s Bible, seeing how Scripture relates to the themes they are learning about—in a way they can understand.” Please visit our First Communion page which can be found linked to our Religious Education page. Parent Orientation will be on August 30th in our parish hall at 6pm.
"This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me." - Lk 22:19

Confirmation Program
Parents, do you have an 8th grader or high school youth who needs to be confirmed? If so, we invite you to register your youth for our amazing confirmation program. “Chosen’s carefully designed methodology features highly effective and engaging material conveyed through videos, student workbooks, and classroom experience.” Visit our Confirmation page for more information. Parent Orientation will be on September 6th at 6pm.

Join Us For an “End of Summer” ICE CREAM SOCIAL
(ICE CREAM, SHERBET, DELICIOUS TOPPINGS)
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30TH
3:00-4:30
CENTENNIAL HALL
(Suggested donation $5.00)

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St. Anselm Church Calendar of Events

August 30– Ice Cream Social— 3:00-4:30–Centennial Hall
September 4– Labor Day- Office Closed
September 16-17– Wine & Cheese– after 5:00 Mass

September 17– Catechetical Sunday Mass 10:00
October 7– Oktoberfest– 6:15—Hall

Events Near St. Anselm Parish

200th Birthday of Mission San Rafael
December 14, 2017-
Student Contest
Theme: Mission San Rafael
Submission Deadline: Wednesday Sept 20, 2017

Rewards: Winner Certificate and cash prizes
Announcement of Winners & Eligibility: Saturday, December 16, 2017  Graduated 3rd, 4th, 5th grade
Rules and Guidelines: Each student must submit one entry for essay/poem and or one entry of artwork. Make sure your full name and phone number is on the back of your art work. If you want your entry returned after the contest, please include a stamped/self-addressed envelope with your entry. Artwork can be picked up at the rectory on January 5, 2018.

Poem/Short Essay Category: Length: 1 page only;
Format: 8½ x 11 paper; Topic: Miwok Indians, the Mission bells, the daily life of those living at the Mission and what things did Mission produce, etc.

Artwork category: Material/media: canvas or paper;
Format: 11 x 17; Topic: Miwok Indians, the Mission bells., the daily life of those living at the Mission and what things did the Mission produce, etc.

For applications and more info, call Kenny Aguilar at (415) 454 8141 ext 203 or kaguilar@saintraphael.com

Are you in search of a quality preschool for your 3 or 4 year old? Have you considered Saint Raphael Preschool—the only Catholic preschool in Marin?

Our “Angels” class focuses on the transition to a group experience for our 3-year old children with special attention to their social/emotional development and adjustment. We offer the children a variety of experiences in art, media, play, dramatic play, movement, stories, large/small motor development and interaction with adults and their peers.

Our “Saints” (Pre-Kindergarten) class continues what has begun in our Angels class and focuses on offering our 4-year old children opportunities to develop their readiness for Kindergarten. We sing, play, draw, and explore letter sounds and various themes throughout the year as the children grow in many skills that will support their success in Kindergarten!

Our staff are fully qualified professional teachers with experience in Early Childhood Education and we are licensed by the State of California (#213005559). To learn more, visit www.saintraphael.com or call Edith Yates at (415)456-1702 or yates@straphaelschool.com.
Pope Francis has declared September 1st the World Day of Prayer for Care of Creation, exhorting each of us to take responsibility for the beautiful planet we call home. Here are two sample prayers we might use throughout the month of September.

O God all-powerful, who are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures, who surround with your tenderness all that exists, hear our prayer.

You brought all things into existence from nothing and gave to each one to accomplish unerringly the goal which you laid down in the beginning: pour out your blessing on the whole of creation.

You laid down laws for all creation for the unalterable maintenance and governance of the universe: guide all nations to peace in your laws.

In you we live and move and have our being: preserve unharmed the earth and rescue the abandoned.

In you we, your servants, have set our hopes for the new creation, by your healing mercy direct us to sow beauty.

You sent Christ Jesus into the world to touch the hearts of sinners: put an end to evil designs seeking only benefits at the expense of the poor and the earth.

You instruct our hearts to contemplate your creation with wonder: give us the breath of the winds and the flow of the waters.

From the Prayer of Pope Francis, Care of Creation, October, 2016

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.

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