November 19, 2017
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Blessed are you who fear the LORD.
-- Psalm 128:1a

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.
Contact 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.
Dear Parishioners,

Towards the end of the parable of this Sunday, we listened to these words: “To everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.” These words do not come from the CEO of a multinational corporation but from Jesus. This statement applies very well to spiritual gifts. In reality, no Spiritual gifts can be given to us without our effort. Even God’s gifts, poured without measure, cannot be really mine unless I interiorize them. The more I have, the more God will give me. The more I love, the more I become capable of loving.

Yours sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

St. Anselm Christmas Pageant Needs Your Donations:
Dear Parishioners, with Christmas around the corner we are beginning to prepare for our Christmas Pageant. Every year, our Religious Education Program presents a pageant during the 10am mass the weekend before Christmas. Last year we purchased some new and beautiful costumes for their pageant.

This year, our Confirmation Program is joining in on the fun and will do their own reenactment of the Nativity Scene for the 5pm Mass. We are in need of teen friendly sized costumes. If you have any nativity appropriate costumes, we would love to have them! Or if you would like to make a donation toward us purchasing new costumes, please do so. Please contact Natalie at DRE@saintanselm.org.

St. Anselm Church Stewardship
Registered Parishioner Families 2017- 1675
1st Collection: $5,651
2nd Collection-St. Patrick Seminary: $1,938
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:
Campaign for Human Development-November 19
Centennial Building & Maintenance– November 26
St. Anselm School- December 3

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

For the Repose of the Soul: Arthur A. Mugnolo

For our military: Robert Gebhardt, Tyler Lopez, Alex Boatwright, Sean Courtz, Elizabeth Baumsteiger, Christian Miller, Robert Kent, Shane Morgan

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1-20, 21-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15; Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44
Thanksgiving Day, Suggested: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bed, 11-12; Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lk 20:27-40
Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46
COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS

The upcoming holidays can be particularly difficult for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. The void left by their deaths is more deeply felt at this time of year and one might be filled with confusion and, at times, dread to face this time.

St. Anselm’s Grief Ministry will address the issues surrounding this challenging season and offer practical suggestions for coping.

Monday, November 20th from 3:30 to 5:00 in Centennial Hall

Please call Brenda MacLean at 415-454-7650 to register.

THANKSGIVING ECUMENICAL SERVICE:

It has been a long time tradition that St. Anselm Church, along with St. John Episcopal Church, St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, and First Presbyterian Church of San Anselmo, come together to celebrate the season of Thanksgiving. This year’s Service will take place at St. John’s Episcopal Church at 14 Lagunitas Rd, Ross., on November 22nd at 7:30pm. Join us to give thanks, hear inspiring readings, and participate in beautiful music.

Thanksgiving Day Mass at St. Anselm Church will be at 9:00am.

REST Sign-ups- Sign-ups have begun for the 2017-18 REST (Rotating Emergency Shelter Team) season. If you would like to participate in our program of feeding the homeless on a Saturday night, please email: stanselm.restdinners@yahoo.com. You will then be sent a link to our online signupgenius calendar where you can sign-up for a date you are available. The season begins Dec. 2nd and ends April 28th. Volunteers attend an hour long planning meeting, prepare a portion of the meal and, most importantly, sit down and share a meal with our guests. If you have additional questions, email stanselm.restdinners@yahoo.com.

SAVE THE DATE!

Advent Retreat with Dan Schutte
December 16, 10 am to 4:30 pm, followed by parish Mass

Step away from the glitter and noise of the season into a day of prayer, reflection and praise with noted liturgist and composer, Dan Schutte. Among many other well-loved hymns, Dan Schutte is composer of *Here I am, Lord* and *Sing a New Song*, and is composer in residence at the University of San Francisco. St. Anselm is blessed to have this inspiring liturgist with us, drawing us into joyful prayer. Watch for details in future bulletins.

All Souls: Please remember in your prayers the deceased family and friends of our parishioners: Matthew Hubal, Helen & Larry Hubal, Matilda Olizares, Maria Larraga, Augustina Saucedo, Jane Salbeck, Hilarion Salbeck, Florence Whiteley, Charles Whiteley

Saint Anselm School
Kindergarten Information Presentation
9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Thursday, December 7th
Friday, January 19th
Friday, March 16th

Our Kindergarten Offers
A faith-based experience in a caring Parish school environment
Thematic teaching
Religious instruction, prayer, & community building activities
A multi-sensory approach to reading readiness
Differentiated instruction
Hands-on, child-centered Math & Science instruction
Developmental Motor Skills Program
Art, Music, Spanish, & Integrated Technology instruction
Multi-faceted Extended Care
Science, Spanish, Art, Theater & Music classes after school

10:1 student to teacher ratio

Our 1st-8th Grade Program Highlights
Faith-based, caring, and rigorous academic experience
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Service learning opportunities and enrichment field trips
Art, Music, Spanish, P.E. & Integrated Technology instruction
Science, Art, Theater, Robotics & Music Classes After School

Call for tours and availability | 415-454-8667
www.stanselmschool.com

'Tis the Season for Wreaths & Gingerbread Houses- Help support the St. Anselm School community by purchasing a Holiday Wreath and/or Gingerbread House to enhance your holiday décor.

Following Saturday and Sunday masses the weekend of Nov. 25th, Holiday Wreaths will be sold immediately outside the church. Then on Sunday, Dec. 3rd at 11:00am or 1:00pm, join the St. Anselm School community in Centennial Hall to decorate your own Gingerbread House for the holidays! This is a fun way to celebrate the season and get into the merriment of the holidays. And, don't forget you can also get a "to-go" house if you can't make the event or you want a fun holiday gift for family or friends. Reserve a house online at http://stanselmschool.com/annual-wreath-gingerbread-house-event/ or stop by the St. Anselm school office and complete a registration form. Questions – email Raquel Rose at rose114@mac.com
St. Anselm Church Calendar of Events

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Events At/Near St. Anselm Parish

Catholic Charities Thanksgiving
Sharing Your Thankful Spirit

Help our neighbors enjoy a memorable Thanksgiving meal by providing food baskets, turkeys, or pumpkin pies to families in need. Volunteer at one of our programs by helping with food preparation, set-up, carving a turkey, leading activities, and helping to clean-up after a Thanksgiving luncheon or dinner. Every volunteer hour and every donated gift provides dignity and hope to children and families who may not otherwise receive comfort this holiday season. Find out how you can participate in spreading holiday cheer for people in need by visiting our website at CatholicCharitiesSF.org/All Opportunities/ or call Nina Taggart at 415-972-1246 or volunteer@CatholicCharitiesSF.org.

Wednesday, November 29, 7:00 – 8:30 pm,
A Gather@Grand presentation. An evening with Paola Gianturco, photojournalist and 2017 inductee into the Marin Women’s Hall of Fame, presenting her latest book, Wonder Girls – Changing Our World. From the forward: “Groups of activist girls age 10-18 are transforming our world: improving education, health, equality and the environment; stopping child marriage, domestic violence, trafficking and war. Their imagination and courage radiate through their stories, all told in their own words.” Paola has documented women’s lives in 62 countries and created five books, all philanthropic projects. All are welcome! We will have light refreshments and time for questions. Paola’s book will be available for purchase. The Gathering Space - Dominican Sisters Center- 1520 Grand Avenue, San Rafael between Acacia and Locust Streets. Space is limited! Be sure to RSVP CommunityRelations@sanrafaelop.org or 415 453 8303

COME AND SEE: Sunday, December 3, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm. Single Catholic women, ages 18-40 are invited to come meet us, to listen to one another's stories, and to have your questions answered. To RSVP or for more information, contact Sister Carla, 415 453 8303 or vocations@sanrafaelop.org.
A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks.

Thank you for all the graces and blessings You have bestowed upon us, spiritual and worldly: our faith and religious heritage, our food and shelter, our health, the love we have for one another, our family and friends.

Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessings throughout the coming year.

This we ask in the name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother. Amen.
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