St. Anselm Catholic Church

March 25, 2018
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

[Christ Jesus] humbled himself becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

-- Philippians 2:8

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Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil 5:00pm,
Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, and 5:00pm

Weekday Mass: Monday through Friday 8:00am
Monday-Friday 5:30pm (during Lent)

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

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 are into the Holy Week. Throughout the Holy Week we will constantly be presented with one symbol, the Cross. The Cross of Christ has been a powerful symbol throughout human history. The vertical axis joins heaven and earth. Its horizontal axis joins the whole human race as brothers and sisters. They all meet in the broken body of Christ. May the celebration of the liturgies this Holy Week connect us earthly people to the heavenly reality centered around God! May the celebration of this Holy Week connect us to the people around us who are our brothers and sisters in Christ!

I wish you all a prayerful, reflective and grace filled Holy Week!

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

MONDAY-Masses 8:00am & 5:30pm, Movie & Pot-Luck following 5:30 Mass-Hall
TUESDAY– Masses 8:00am & 5:30pm
WEDNESDAY– Masses 8:00am & 5:30pm
HOLY THURSDAY– No 8:00am Mass, 11:00am Living Stations, 7:30pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00pm
GOOD FRIDAY– No 8:00am Mass, 12:00pm Living Stations, 1:00pm Meditations & Prayer followed by Good Friday Liturgy, 7:30pm Taize Prayer
HOLY SATURDAY– Confessions 10:00am-11:00am, EASTER VIGIL 8:00pm
EASTER SUNDAY– Masses 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

St. Anselm Church Stewardship
Registered Parishioner Families 2018-1675
1st Collection: see next week’s Bulletin
2nd Collection: Centennial Building & Maintenance: see next week’s Bulletin
Electronic Weekly Donations-$2,625.00
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-April 8
Centennial Building & Maintenance– April 15

As a community we ask God’s blessing for the ill:
For the Repose of the Soul: Michael Cimino, Kay Sisler
For our military: Robert Gebhardt, Tyler Lopez, Alex Boatwright, Sean Courtz, Elizabeth Baumsteiger, Christian Miller, Robert Kent, Shane Morgan, John Loughran, William Ghiringhelli

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION-For many centuries, Christian pilgrims have longed to walk in the footsteps of Jesus, and on Passion Sunday the eyes of the world are on the Via Dolorosa, the "Road of Sorrows," in Jerusalem. As soon as it became safe for Christians to worship in public in the fourth century, a way was marked out. It was changed a few times over the years, and today's usual route was sketched by the Franciscans six hundred years ago, although Anglicans and Byzantines have their own unique detours. Friday is the most favored day, although it is crowded then. Almost everyone begins at the Lion's Gate in the Muslim Quarter, and ends at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. It's less than a quarter mile, but it threads its way through crowded markets with souvenir shops and fast-food snacks. There are, just as in your parish church, fourteen stations along the way. The exact spots are not known, but what matters is the pilgrim's unique ability to see even an ordinary road in a teeming city as something more than meets the eye.
AAA Giving Table
Archdiocesan Annual Appeal
To help you calculate your assessment for your contribution, we have prepared an AAA giving table.

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It takes a village to educate a child!
There are some challenges in the community that families, and even schools, can’t tackle alone, like…

- High Rents
- Unsafe Living Conditions
- Safety
- Support for Immigrants
- Trash
- Transportation
- Programs for Teens
- Preschool / After school programs

We invite all who support San Rafael’s school-children to a Community Action
Wednesday April 4th, 6:30-8:00, St. Raphael’s Church Gym -- 1100 5th Ave. San Rafael
San Rafael City School Superintendents and School Board members will listen to families’ stories -- and see what we can do together, that we can’t do alone.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34;
Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9;
Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;
Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26;
Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13 -- 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25;
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 -- 19:42
Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 -- 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;
b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;
c) Ex 14:15 -- 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;
d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;
f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 -- 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;
g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or
Is 12:2-3, 4bced, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;
h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;
Mk 16:1-7
Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9
or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon
or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35
St. Anselm Church Calendar of Events

March 26 – Movie Night “Son of God” & Pot Luck Dinner (following the 5:30 Mass) 6:15 pm
-Hall
April 22 – Earth Day Hike & Lunch—After 10:00 am Mass
April 28 – Confirmation 2:00 pm

Events Near St. Anselm Parish

Lenten Lecture Series at St. Rita in Fairfax

Tuesday, March 27, 7:00 pm
St. Rita Church, 100 Marinda Dr., Fairfax
415-456-4815
The St. Rita Lenten Lecture Series 2018 is Tuesday nights (March 27). The theme is “Becoming Church in the Age of Anger: Reflections at the 50th Anniversary of the Year that Changed History.” The evenings begin with a Lenten Soup Supper at 6:15 pm in the Parish Hall, followed by the Lenten Lecture. All are invited. For Soup Supper reservations or other information please phone, 415-456-4815

TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND
Is someone you love unable to join us at church during this holy time of Lent and Easter? For the faithful at home or in healthcare settings, the Heart of the Nation Sunday TV Mass brings spiritual comfort and the blessings of joy-filled hope in our Risen Savior. Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to tune in Catholic Mass on TV or watch online:

PALM SUNDAY AND EASTER TV MASS
KBCW ch. 44 (CW) at 6:30 a.m. and KOFY-TV ch. 20 at 8:30 a.m.

ONLINE VIDEO
www.HeartoftheNation.org
For those who can get to church, the TV or online liturgy does not fulfill the Sunday Mass obligation.

MARIN VILLAGES
What can they do for me? Marin Villages is an organization whose mission is to help older adults remain independent in their homes with dignity and grace. The Villages (at least 8 locations in the county) is a non-profit, volunteer supported organization. Vetted volunteers assist seniors with rides, household help, pet care, tech support, office organization and companionship. Seniors who choose this service pay a low monthly or annual fee and can use the services as often as they like.
Call 415 454-3346 or connect online at MarinVillages.org for more information (including becoming a volunteer for this organization).
With today’s celebration of Palm Sunday, we have entered Holy Week. These days are the most solemn and reflective of the Church’s year. Often, we are aware that Lent is the preparation for Easter, so we view Easter as simply the culmination of Lent. Take advantage of the opportunities this week to witness beautiful and meaningful celebrations of God’s redeeming love.

The word “triduum,” in Latin, means “three days,” and refers to Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. During these three days, we celebrate the central mystery of our faith: the **Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ**. In reality, there is only one liturgy spread over three days which begins with the sign-of-the-cross and greeting at the beginning of Mass on Holy Thursday and concludes with one final blessing and dismissal at the end of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. The whole mystery is too great to do everything at once! These three days are intimately tied together and form a unity which builds dramatically to the crescendo of Easter. In these three days, we celebrate the Passover of Christ from death to eternal life.

**All parishioners are warmly invited and encouraged to attend all three “movements” of the Holy Week liturgy.**

**Holy Thursday night, 7:30pm,** we celebrate our Lord’s institution of the Eucharist and the priesthood. We watch and pray with him in the Garden. Anyone in the congregation who would like to partake in the “washing of the feet” is welcome. We depart from this celebration in silence as Jesus is arrested and taken from us. Everyone is welcome to be with the Lord in Adoration in Centennial Hall until 10pm.

**Good Friday,** we gather to remember His saving death on the cross. We recount the Passion and we venerate the cross, seeing in it the way to salvation. **12:00pm** Living Stations of the Cross, **1:00pm** Meditations & Prayer-followed by Good Friday Liturgy, **7:30pm** Taize Prayer Service.

Then, on the most sacred night of the year, we experience the joy of the Resurrection and Easter at the **Holy Saturday Vigil-8:00pm.** Fire and water are blessed. Hundreds of flames from candles dispel the darkness of sin and death. New life is brought forth in Baptism, and the Spirit is called down in Confirmation for our RCIA candidates.

**Easter Sunday** is a continuation of the celebration that began in the stillness of the night. **Masses are offered at 8:00am, 10:00am and 12:00pm.**

Come to the Triduum. Come for your faith, for your spiritual renewal, and for the Lord.
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