April 8, 2018
Sunday of Divine Mercy

Who indeed is the victor over the world
but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?
-- 1 John 5:5

St. Anselm Catholic Church

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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
          (Tuesday 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.
          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
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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,

I am sure that you all had a wonderful Easter celebration! I would like to thank all those who made the Holy Week and Easter services a success! I would like to thank Michael Mello, the Music Director for the very prayerful and inspiring music during the Holy Week and Easter Sunday! Thank you to the Choir and the cantors for the lovely music! I would like to thank Cathy Cunningham and Ann Carrol for preparing the altar and the sanctuary. Theresa Stoner did a great job with the flower arrangements! Thank you to Deacons Ed Cunningham, Bernie O’Halloran and Bob Meave for helping with the preparation of all the liturgies!

The Gospel story of this Sunday is about doubting Thomas. Thomas refused to believe in the Resurrection of Jesus. He tells his fellow apostles that seeing is believing. Jesus appears to Thomas and he becomes a believer. Jesus teaches the disciples that believing is seeing. A faith that restricts itself to only what is evident to the senses and to reason is merely faith in reason and not faith in God. Religious faith is not a balance of evidence but an opening of one’s heart and mind to God. May our hearts and minds be always open to God!

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

On April 14th & 15th, join your fellow parishioners for wine and cheese along with stimulating conversation following the 5:00pm Masses. The gatherings will take place in Centennial Hall.

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**St. Anselm Church Stewardship**
Registered Parishioner Families 2018-1675

1st Collection: March 25- $7,637
Easter Sunday-$19,656

2nd Collection: N/A

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
Catholic Home Missions-April 22
St. Vincent de Paul-April 29

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**Mass Intentions**

| Mon. Apr 9 | 8:00am | Sean Forrestal (D) |
| Tues. Apr 10 | 8:00am | Communion Service Betty Muldown-Scully (D) |
| Wed. Apr 11 | 8:00am | Virginia Davey (D) |
| Thurs Apr 12 | 8:00am | Duane Schall (D) Kai Kiernan (D) |
| Fri. Apr 13 | 8:00am | Joe McGarry (D) St. Anselm Students |
| Sat. Apr 14 | 5:00pm | Roberta Jensen (D) |
| Sun. Apr 15 | 8:00am | Claude Wundrow (D) Richard Fernandez (D) Parish People |

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

**For the Repose of the Soul:** Hart Smith, John Lucey, Peter Peterson

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

**Readings for the Week**

- **Monday:** Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
- **Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
- **Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
- **Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
- **Friday:** Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
- **Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
- **Sunday:** Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

**Everything**

God, of your goodness give me yourself, for you are enough for me. And only in you do I have everything.

--St. Julian of Norwich
Easter Flowers Donated In Memory Of: John E. Hare, Wilmar H. Shiras, Russell N. Shiras, George Moley, Leon Webb, Carol Kestenbaum, Wundrow Family, Phelan Family, Alan & Mila Weed, Przybylski Family, Christina Piatti, Angela Minnecola, Joseph Minnecola, Lucille Minnecola, Tony Bari, Angela Frascone, Sitra Devi, Dorothea Shaw, Sam Ziegler

Easter Flowers Donated In Honor Of:
Ongaro Family, Pechalonis Family, Lande Family, Blackwell Family, Mennucci Family, Bishop Mortimer John Smith, Matcham Family, Kortz Family, Bregenzer Family

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our annual Easter collection. These families have so little and your gift cards and financial donations were so deeply appreciated. All the gifts were beautifully wrapped with such love and care. It was a blessing for our human Easter Bunnies to deliver such joy to six local families. Some Mom’s were overwhelmed and moved to tears with such an unexpected surprise. May God bless every heart and hand that helped.

Dorothy, Mary, Paulette, Linda and Colleen

The women’s Cursillo will be held this coming weekend at the SF Theological Seminary in San Anselmo. Three of our parishioners will be making it: Pam Engel, Bess Nuzzo, Laura Shea. Connie Sume and Rose Shadduck will be working on the team. Please keep them all in your prayers for a successful weekend. If you would like to make Cursillo, please contact the Rectory for an application.

Son of God Movie Night: On Monday, March 26th parishioners gathered in the parish hall after the 5:30pm mass to watch a screening of the 2014 film “Son of God.” We had around 20 members of our community attend the event, many of whom brought a dish to share at this potluck style dinner and movie night. The film screening was a great hit and we will definitely be doing more fellowship opportunities such as this potluck and movie night.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
Sometimes children acquire nicknames in childhood that stalk them through adulthood: "Pinky," "Boo-boo," and the like. This Sunday was once called "Low Sunday," a step down from Easter glory, and an unfortunate nickname since Easter rejoicing goes on for fifty days. Traditionally this is the day when the newly baptized put away their white baptismal robes and returned to their everyday life after a week of intense celebration. Of course, the goal was to take up everyday duties with a very new point of view.

A long title for the day was Dominica in albis deposito, or "The Lord's Day for Putting Away the Albs," so no wonder the nickname "Low Sunday" arose. In the old calendar it was also called "Quasimodo Sunday," after the first word of the opening chant, Quasimodo geniti infantes, or "As newborn infants," a reference to the newly baptized taken from the Epistle of Peter. Victor Hugo's bell-ringing hero in The Hunchback of Notre Dame was abandoned as an infant on the threshold of the cathedral of Paris on Low Sunday, 1467, and named "Quasimodo" for the feast.
Rediscover Your Marriage – Retrouvaille
(pronounced retro-vi with a long i) simply means “rediscovery.” The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. 10’s of 1000’s headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is not a spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on April 13 – 15, call (415)893-1005 or email: SF@Retrouvaille.org or visit the web site at” www.HelpOurMarriage.org

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)

North Marin Auxiliary of St. Vincent de Paul Society
ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON
Proceeds go directly to the Help Desk at SVDP in San Rafael and the SVDP Conference at St. Anthony of Padua in Novato

DATE: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18
TIME: 11:00AM NO HOST COCKTAILS
SILENT AUCTION
12:15PM LUNCHEON followed by a Fashion Show with Anne’s Secret Hang-ups of Novato
PLACE: MARIN COUNTRY CLUB-
500 Country Club Drive, Novato
To make a reservation please call Shirley Genetin at 415-883-6739
**Easter Vigil**—On Saturday, March 31**th**, Thomas, Kenneth, Monica, and Yasmine were confirmed. Thomas chose St. Joseph as his Confirmation name while Kenneth chose Saint John the Baptist as his saint. Not only was Kenneth confirmed on Saturday but was accepted into full communion with the Catholic Church. We acknowledged the church of his baptism and he professed his faith and joined us for the first time at the table of the Lord. Our two ladies, Monica and Yasmine attend Dominican University and have been doing their preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation there. Monica chose Saint Thomas More as her saint, while Yasmine chose to keep her given name. Congratulations to our four Confirmands; may they continue to feel the support of our community as they embark in this new chapter of their lives.

**Easter Egg Hunt**

After the 10am Easter Sunday Mass, our Youth Ministry and “youth in training” hosted our Easter Egg Hunt. It was a great treat for the children of our community. Thank you to all that helped.
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