I consider everything as a loss, because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

-- Philippians 3:8
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Sick Relatives & Friends

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

For the Repose of the Soul: Angela Barbagelata

For Our Military: Robert Gebhardt, Tyler Lopez, Alex Boatwright, Sean Courtz, Elizabeth Baumsteiger, Christian Miller, Robert Kent, Shane Morgan, William Ghiringhelli, Daniel Lowe

Readings for the Week

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

St. Anselm Church Stewardship
Registered Parishioner Families 2019- 1675
Collection:$3,811
2nd Collection: St. Vincent de Paul: $5,018
Electronic Weekly Donations-$2,625
Please visit our church website to sign-up for Electronic Donations
Second Collections:
April 14-Building Maintenance
April 28-Home Missions

Reconciliation—On April 9th, following the 5:30 Mass, there will be an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, individually, before Easter. Priests from neighboring Parishes will assist with hearing the Confessions.

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ST. RITA LENTEN LECTURE SERIES 2019

“The Future of Life on Earth”
Reflections on the 4th Anniversary of Laudato Si’
April 9, 7:00pm
“Laudato Si’: Why We May Resist, How We Might Resist our Resistance”- Barbara Green, O.P., Ph.D.
April 16, 7:00pm
“Classical Music and Quiet Reflection in Holy Week”— Michael McCarty, grand piano; Peter Chase, violin
The evenings begin with a Lenten Soup Supper at 6:15pm in the Parish Hall, followed by the Lenten Lecture.
Location: St. Rita Church, 100 Marinda Dr, Fairfax, 94930
All are invited. For further information and Soup Supper reservations, please call: 415-456-4815
If you are able to offer a ride to others or are in need of a ride to the Lectures, please call the Rectory- 415-453-2342

ADOPT-A-FAMILY EASTER APPEAL
UPDATE:
Thank you to everyone who took a tag from our Easter Board last weekend. If you did not bring your gift this weekend, please remember to bring it next weekend. We want to deliver the gifts early in Holy Week.
If you did not take a tag but would still like to help, call Dorothy at (415) 215-1242. We still have a few tags left. Thank you again for your support.

We hope to give each child a summer outfit plus an Easter basket and stuffed bunnies for the younger children. The families who have so little are always genuinely surprised and grateful for these unexpected gestures of love and care from our parish community.

Deciding Our Legacy
Fr. David Pettingill
Saturday, April 27
10am till Noon
Centennial Hall

When members of St. Anselm’s MOC (Marin Organizing Team) met with Fr. David Pettingill to talk about his presentation, many laughs were shared as we discussed the topic of Legacy – how we will be remembered. We invite you to join us on Saturday, April 27, 10am for his presentation and to share in a discussion of Deciding Our Legacy.

Fr. Dave referenced a T. S. Eliot quote: “Where is the Life…, Where is the wisdom…, Where is the knowledge…” Questions we all may ask as we reflect on our lives. Come with your reflections!

We would appreciate an RSVP to help us plan for the event; call Sissy at the rectory: 415-453-2342.

Teachings on Tap
St. Anselm Church is so excited to extend an invitation to all adults 21 and up for our new monthly ministry called Teachings on Tap. We meet every third Thursday of the month at a local restaurant for appetizers, drinks and conversation about God. Our next outing is scheduled for May 16th from 6:30pm-7:45pm (location TBD). Must RSVP to Dre@saintanselm.org by May 6th.

NO ONE IS SINLESS—Sin isn’t a word we use very often in today’s culture. Yet we must be honest and acknowledge that we sin. Otherwise we become like people with a disease who are in denial of its implications—we cannot hope to be cured unless we admit that it exists. Sin is a disease of the soul, a dis-ease in our relationship with God. When we sin, we fail to live as we know God desires. No one is sinless. We all fail. We may have moments of intense union with God and live as we know we ought. Yet we also have times when we miss the mark. Because we are human and know that we fail, it is easy to adopt a pattern of judgmental behavior. We point to the splinter in our neighbor’s eye while failing to remove the plank from our own. Jesus’ response to the scribes and Pharisees is clear on this account. “Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.”—

-GOD’S MERCY IS FOR EVERYONE—
The good news is that God’s mercy is available, always, at all times. We must be sorry for our failures and, if our sin is grave, take part in the sacrament of Reconciliation. As we continue to journey through the season of Lent, it is good for us to pause and reflect—on our relationship with Christ and on God’s infinite mercy.

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St. Anselm Church Calendar of Events

April 8– Men’s Group-7:00am– Hall
April 15– Men’s Group-7:00am-Hall
April 22– Earth Day Hike & Picnic- 10:00am
April 27-Fr. David Pettingill– Deciding Our Legacy– 10am-12pm -Hall

Events Near St. Anselm Parish

The University Series This Week (4/8-4/11)
All Classes 7:30 – 9:00 P.M. unless noted otherwise
Tuesday St. Raphael Soup Supper 6:00 – 7:15 P.M.
Thursday St. Sylvester Light Lunch 11:00 – 12:15

MONDAY, APRIL 8-THE UNIVERSITY SERIES- a Lenten lecture series: CLASSICAL PARISH IN A PROGRESSIVE CITY: HOW MY PARISH SWITCHED TO KDFC. Fr. Joseph Illo, pastor of Star of the Sea, S.F. describes how retooling his parish with classic Catholic traditions has brought about a flowering of ministry and worship. St. Patrick’s Healy Hall, 114 King St., Larkspur. 7:30-9:00 PM., $8 (cash/check only) 1 friend free (no res).

TUESDAY, APRIL 9-THE UNIVERSITY SERIES –a Lenten lecture series: A MODERN MODEL OF HOLINESS – ADRIENNE VON SPEYR. Vivian Dudro, Sr. Editor at Ignatius Press, Her Vatican Speech, Fall, 2018 on this inspiring, 20th century woman who understood being a Christian in a secular world while also a wife, mother, doctor, mystic, author and founder of a secular institute. St. Raphael’s Mission Chapel, 1104 Fifth Ave., San Rafael, 7:30-9:00 PM., $8 (cash/check only) 1 friend free, soup supper 6:30 PM (no res).

THURSDAY, APRIL 11-THE UNIVERSITY SERIES – a Lenten lecture series: WOMAN, BEHOLD, YOUR SON…SON, BEHOLD, YOUR MOTHER. Peggy Semling, Theology teacher & Campus Minister at Marin Catholic High School, Kentfield. By looking and thinking about how the graces of Mary through the Rosary and Marian Consecration can bring about truth, beauty and goodness in our lives and the ones we love. St. Sylvester’s Chapel, 1115 Pt. San Pedro Rd., San Rafael, 12 – 1:30 PM., $8 (cash/check only) 1 friend free, lite lunch 11:00 AM (no res).

Save the Date-Sunday, May 5, 2019
15th Annual Bocce Picnic and Tournament
Benefiting the Society of St. Vincent De Paul

St. Raphael’s & St. Isabella’s Conferences
Please join us for a day of fun, including a great BBQ lunch with all of the fixins’. Most importantly, you will be helping a worthy cause with 100% of the proceeds supporting the St. Vincent De Paul’s charity activities. Thank you for your continued support. For more information, please contact Dean DiGiovanni @ 485-3855 or John Zeiter @ 479-3286
Earth Day—On Monday, April 22nd, St. Anselm Parish will recognize and celebrate Earth Day with a picnic and hike at Lake Lagunitas. If you are interested in joining us, please meet at the Rectory parking lot at 10:00am to carpool. Please bring your own lunch and drink and, if you would like, a snack to share.

The parish will provide dessert.

This Earth Day, Catholics around the world are coming together in solidarity to protect forests and the people who depend on them, especially in the Amazon, and beyond. Plant a tree to symbolize your commitment and advocate for better policies to protect all creation.

- Approximately 17% of the Amazonian rainforest has been cut down—Forests provide oxygen and store carbon—that helps everyone—The Vatican is convening a global synod to protect the Amazon and its people

A Prayer for Our Earth

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.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards 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, Laudato Si
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