I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth.

-- Acts 13:47b

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.
Dear Parishioners,

In the Gospel reading of this Sunday, Jesus says, “The Father and I are one.” This is one of the mysteries of our faith; the relationship between the Father and the Son. The relationship does not mean that they think alike, are like minded or there is a deep communion between them. The Son or Jesus is the revelation of the Father. God revealed himself through Jesus. Jesus is the face of the Father. And that is why Jesus said, “The Father and I are one.” Then, what is our relationship with Jesus? Jesus said, “I am the vine and you are the branches.” These words of Jesus tell us of our deep communion and relationship with Christ. The saints and mystics through the ages have tried to draw us back to this depth of our Faith. We are part of the mystical body of Christ. St. Paul wrote, "Christ is the head of the body, the church" (Colossians 1: 18) Spiritual fathers have used a Latin expression, ‘alter Christus’ meaning ‘another Christ.’ This is who we are. This is our true identity, being ‘another Christ.’

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

St. Anselm Church Stewardship
Registered Parishioner Families 2019-1675
1st Collection: $3,036.50
2nd Collection- N/A
Electronic Weekly Donations-$2,625
Please visit our church website to sign-up for Electronic Donations

Second Collections:
May 12- Catholic Charities
May 19- Building & Maintenance
May 26- Catholic Communications

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

For the Repose of the Soul: George Biagini (father of Connie Sume), John Torresan, Thehma Ferrero, Anne Mula, Norma Petersen

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

Loving and Generous God, it is You who call us by name and ask us to follow You. Help us to grow in the Love and Service of our Church as we experience it today. Give us the energy and courage of Your Spirit to shape its future. Grant us faith-filled leaders who will embrace Christ's Mission of love and justice. Bless the Church of St. Anselm by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve Your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons and Lay Ministers. Inspire us to know You better and open our hearts to hear Your call. We ask this through our Lord.
With a deep sense of gratitude for their loving care and sacrifices, our Mothers will be remembered in the Masses celebrated on Mother’s Day:

In Memory of: Evelyn Poligono, Erin Thompson, Leona Webb, Susan Stewart, Jane Salbeck, Julia Gould, Alice Baumsteiger, Delfina Dallara, Edith Young, Teresa Massavelli, Ruth Foster, Jean Weaver, Mary Tupe, Audrey McNaughton, Emma Kollerer, Alice Muller, Patricia Reilly Burke, Nilda Pagano, Ruth Lamperti

In Honor of: Cynthia Poligono, Norma Baumsteiger, Heilmann/Grant Family, Marrocco Family, Edilene Sobral, Elise Sobral, Melissa Grosvenor, Joe Burke Family

MOTHER BLEST
Though she was the Mother of the Lord, yet she desired to learn the precepts of the Lord, and she who brought forth God, yet desired to know God. --St. Ambrose

MOTHERHOOD
Mothers hold their children’s hands for a short while, but their hearts forever.--Anonymous

St Anselm CYO Girls Volleyball - Season starts end of August
Calling all 2019 Incoming 5th-8th grade volleyball players! Registration opened Friday, April 26th. Evaluations are scheduled for May 21st and 22nd at the St. Anselm School Gym. Registration is available to all students of St. Anselm School, St. Anselm School of Religion, children of registered parishioners of St. Anselm Church and to children of the general public residing in the parish boundaries of St. Anselm church. Please visit https://tshq.bluesombrero.com/stanselmscyoca to register. Please do not call St. Anselm Church or School. All communications should be done via the email. Registration closes on May 17th.

Players are encouraged to attend both tryout dates.
Schedule is as follows.
5th Grade - 5-6 pm
6th Grade - 6-7 pm
7th Grade - 7-8 pm
8th Grade - 8-9 pm

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Join us for this great event! St. Anselm’s 37th annual Festival of Fun takes place on Saturday, May 18, from 10 am to 8 pm. This fun-filled day delights parish, school and community families with over 25 attractions: carnival rides, prize games (cake wheel, pick-a-pop, salami toss, and more), jumpy houses and slides, music, a café, strolling entertainers, face painting, and more. Admission is free, and tickets are purchased for food, rides and games.

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 13th.

At our Confirmation Mass on May 12th, one of the hymns sung by our adult choir is "Je Vous Salue Marie", the hymn to Mary that Parisians sang as they watched Notre Dame burn last month. The choir chose this hymn in solidarity with Catholics around the world who honor Notre Dame de Paris and the history of great cathedrals as expressions of love for our triune God.
St. Anselm Church Calendar of Events 
And “Save The Date”

May 12– Confirmation 2:00pm  
May 13– Men’s Group-7:00am-Hall  
May 16– Centering Prayer-9:30am-10:30am-Hall  
May 16– Teachings On Tap-6:30pm  
May 18– Festival of Fun– School–  
10:00am-8:00pm  
June 7– Baccalaureate Mass– 11:00am  
June 7– 8th Grade Graduation– 5:00pm-Church

Events Near St. Anselm Parish

MARRIED COUPLES: Pope John Paul II said “I place much of my hope for the future in marriage encounter”. Aren’t you anxious to know why? The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is Aug 9-11, 2019 in San Francisco, CA. For more information and/or to register for the Weekend, visit our website at: sanjosewwme.org or contact Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413.

Marin Handicapables- Persons with special needs (shut-ins, developmentally disabled, etc.) who would enjoy fellowship are cordially invited to the Marin Handicapables Mass and Luncheon on May 18. This event will be held at Marin Catholic High School, 675 Sir Francis Drake Blvd., Kentfield, with Mass at noon in the Chapel, followed by lunch and entertainment in the Student Center. Sponsors are The Order of Malta Western Association. There is no fee to attend, but reservations are requested. RSVP: Cheryl Giurlani, 415.308.4608 or cherylgiurlani@gmail.com.

Join us on Thursday, May 23, 2019, 7:00 – 8:30 pm to hear from a panel of local interfaith leaders, responding to the question "What Do Our Faith Traditions Teach Us About Right Relationship to the Earth?"
-Rev. Douglas Olds, First Presbyterian Church, San Anselmo  
-Rabbi Paul Steinberg, Congregation Kol Shofar, Tiburon  
-Fr. Ken Weare, Saint Rita Catholic Church, Fairfax  
-Mirza Khan, San Domenico School, San Anselmo  
Moderated by Susan Stephenson, Executive Director Interfaith Power and Light

All are welcome! We provide light refreshments and time for your questions.
The Gathering Space - Dominican Sisters Center  
1520 Grand Avenue, San Rafael between Acacia and Locust Streets  
Be sure to  
RSVP CommunityRelations@sanrafaelop.org or 415-453-8303
First Communion
For the past year, 46 children from our parish and our parish-school have been preparing for their First Communion. On Saturday May 4th, 44 of the children received Jesus for the first time through the Eucharist. One child received a special blessing, and another had already received the Eucharist in December but was present to support her peers. A special thank you to their teachers: Cassie Keim, Sean Ticknor, Laura Roach, and Connie Sume for walking with these 46 children on their journey of faith. May these children continue to receive the love and support of our community as they grow deeper in their relationship with Christ.

May Crowning
In honor of our Blessed Mother, St. Anselm Community honored Mary by crowning her at the 10am mass on Sunday May 5th. Children adored her with flowers and presented her cards. May the month of May be a reminder of our mother’s love and concern for us. May we have the desire to grow in our relationship with her, and may she grant us protection and endless love. Together we ask: Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.
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