You have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God.
-- Hebrews 12:22a
Dear Parishioners,

The readings of today stress the importance of humility, especially for those in high places. The first reading praises the person who is humble. A humble person is conscious of his own or her own weakness and accepts wisdom wherever it comes from. Such a person will find favor with God and with everyone. Jesus gives a very similar message, “For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” Jesus criticizes those who engineer their way to the top. That is not the way to gain honor in the kingdom of God. Honor in the kingdom of God comes from the host, Jesus, and not from the guest. God honors those who are humble.

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

NO SURPRISES- We are told by all spiritual writers that one important point to bear in mind, as we seek to attain humility, is not to be surprised by our own faults and failures.-François Fénelon

St. Anselm’s Choir will begin rehearsing for our new season this Thursday, September 5, from 7 – 8:30 p.m. in the church. We extend a warm welcome to any parishioners who may wish to join us in our musical ministry. Are you a high school student who loves to sing and are looking for community service hours for school? The choir may be just the place for you! Please get in touch with Music Director Michael Mello after Mass or by phone, (415)454-5098. Come “sing a new song to the Lord!”

St. Anselm Church Stewardship
Registered Parishioner Families 2019- 1675
1st Collection: $2,899
2nd Collection-Mission Appeal:$2,635
Electronic Weekly Donations-$2,625
Please visit our church website to sign-up for Electronic Donations
Second Collections:
September 1-St. Anselm School
September 15-Building & Maintenance
September 22- Priests’ Retirement
September 29-St. Vincent de Paul

Mass Schedule beginning after Labor Day, September 2
8:00am Monday through Friday
(Tuesday is a Communion Service)
5:30pm Tuesday & Thursday
5:00pm- Saturday
8:00am, 10:00am, 5:00pm- Sunday

Sick Relatives & Friends

As a community we ask God’s blessing for the ill:
Charlie Greason, Michael Bruciati, Jose Larraga,
Stan & Donna Pechalonis, Stacy Jackson,
Emiroid Saucedo, Quonnella Lee, Mark Gardner,
Steve Leland, Christopher Goward, Richard Green,
Irene Lorente, Teresa Marklingker, Allison Chichizola,
Karen Poligono, Frank Dal Gallo, Ashley Noe, Steve
McDonald, Jacob Aceto, Matthew Hunter, Joan Woods,
John Dal, Erin Murphy, Stephen Corr, Marlene DeLong,
Donna Przybyski, Marilyn Marklingker, Mike Abbalo,
Don Orlandi, Luke O, Barbara Werner, Michael Murray,
Judge & Mrs. Lynch, Avani Khanna

For the Repose of the Soul: Clara Hansbery, Steve
Thompson, Oney Clahan, Brian Crowe, Joan Devine

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Best: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13;
Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17;
Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Mass Schedule
Mon. Sept. 2 8:00am Oliver C. Hardy, Jr.
Tues. Sept. 3 8:00am Communion Service
                  Gloria Lagleva (D)
Wed. Sept. 4 8:00am J & B (INT)
Thurs Sept. 5 8:00am C.F. (INT)
                  John Philip Ward (D)
Fri. Sept. 6 8:00am Regina Hallquist (D)
Sat. Sept. 7 5:00pm J.R. (INT)
Sun. Sept. 8 8:00am Parish People
                  George Antar Family (INT)
                  Marjorie Smith (D)
The parish Spiritual Life Committee has inaugurated a series of Community Conversations based upon Conversation Starters suggested by Commonweal Magazine. Each session will probably last about two hours, and will deal with a single topic around the Church, spirituality, or social justice. Prior to each session, participants will be provided with a series of articles or other readings that will deepen our familiarity with the session's topic. Our first session dealt with the topic of Modern Spirituality, and how we, as Catholics, engage with God through the incarnate Jesus, both in ritual, in our prayer life, and in ministry. We have received much positive feedback on the session. Our next session will take place in mid-September, and the chosen topic is Immigration- how we as individuals and as Church can or should respond to the current climate around this issue. We invite anyone interested to join in the Conversation by sending an email to Deacon Bob at robt88@gmail.com, so that he can send you copies of the materials which we'll be using to frame our discussion. We hope you'll find these Community Conversations interesting and thought-provoking.

**Registrations is Now Open!**

**Religious Education**– Tk-7th grade  
**First Communion**– 2nd grade and up  
**Confirmation**– 8th grade and up  

*Any adults or confirmed youth who would like to be in our teaching rotation, please contact us. We would love to have you on our team.  
Please visit our webpage to access the registration forms for all three programs. Contact Natalie at Dre@saintanselm.org for more information.*

**The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)**

Are you interested in the Catholic Faith?  
Do you need to know more about Catholicism before making a commitment?  
Are you already Catholic but have not received all the sacraments?  

If you answered, YES, to at least one of these three questions, contact DRE@saintanselm.org.

**St. Vincent de Paul Annual Fundraiser**– The fundraiser will be held Saturday, September 7, 2019 at St. Hilary Church, Tiburon. The evening consists of dinner with an auction and raffle. Dinner tickets are $225 each and can be purchased from Suzanne Walker, phone 415-454-3303 ext.#17 or email:swalker@vinnies.org. Members of the St. Anselm's SVdP Conference will be selling raffle tickets after all Masses on the weekend of August 31/September 1. Tickets are $20 each or 10 for $100 for a chance at winning $1,000. Money raised through raffle ticket sales goes to the direct support of persons living in the St. Anselm parish area who request assistance.

**Workers**

The workers are the saviors of society, the redeemers of the race.  
--Eugene V. Debs

**Teachings on Tap**– St. Anselm Church is so excited to extend an invitation to all adults 21 and up for our monthly ministry called Teachings on Tap. We meet every third Tuesday of the month at a local restaurant for appetizers, drinks and conversation about God. Our next outing is scheduled for September 17th from 6:30pm-7:45pm (location TBD). Must RSVP to Dre@saintanselm.org by September 15th.
St. Anselm Church Calendar of Events
And “Save The Date”

September 2– Office Closed for Labor Day
September 5 – Centering Prayer, 9:30am Parish Hall
September 12– Parent Orientation– Religious Education-Check parish website for details
October 19- *Note date change -Oktoberfest-details to follow

What's On Your Mind?  The Marin Organizing Committee advocates for issues affecting our community. The way we determine them is by listening to stories, what is going on in the our lives and those of our families and friends. Since January we have held meetings throughout the County to hear about the critical issues affecting us. We invite you to help frame the issues we will be working on in the future by sharing your stories at a Regional House Meeting here at St. Anselm on Wed., Sept. 4, 6:30-8pm. For more information contact Deacon Bernie O’Halloran (bernieohall@yahoo.com, 415-453-2342) or Pat Langley (117plangley@gmail.com, 415-453-4460)

Persons with special needs (shut-ins, developmentally disabled, etc.) who would enjoy fellowship are cordially invited to the Marin Handicapables Mass and Luncheon on September 21, 2019. 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.

Carmelite Nuns Novena– “The Discalced Carmelite Nuns cordially invite you to attend their annual Novena to St. Thereses of the Child Jesus & of the Holy Face (The Little Flower) Monday, September 23rd-Tuesday, October 1st, at 6:00pm each evening, in the Monastery Chapel. This year’s Novena will be conducted by Reverend Christopher La Rocca, OCD, a member of the Discalced Carmelite Order of Friars. We are happy to have Fr. Christopher with us for this Novena, as he ia an outstanding homilist with an excellent knowledge of our Carmelite Spirituality and Sacred Scripture. We hope you will join us for these nine days of prayer and reflection.” 530 Blackstone Dr., San Rafael, 94903

Marriage Help – Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. For confidential information about, or to register for the program on October 25-27 call (415) 893-1005 or email: SF@Retrouvaille.org or www.HelpOurMarriage.org
Catechetical Sunday Mass—This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 15, 2019 at the 10:00am mass. Those who the Community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith. We thank all our parish and school religious education teachers for their devotion to the children and adults of our community. May God continue to bless them and those they serve. This year’s theme is “Stay with Us.” When Jesus was resurrected and walked with the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, they, not knowing who he was, urged him to stay with them. May we all continue to have a desire for Jesus to stay with us and may those who serve him, accompany those who need it the most.

A PRAYER FOR CATECHISTS

You have answered our prayers by sending us catechists for your vineyard. Bless these men and women who have responded to your call to the ministry of catechesis. May they be filled with zeal for your Church, with care for those they catechize, and with love for your Word of Life. Let your Spirit come upon them so that your Word may echo through their teaching and through the witness of their lives. Through our catechists, may the members of our parish whom they teach be transformed into witnesses to your Word. And may these catechists receive the blessing your Son promised to all who labor in your vineyard.

We pray to you, gracious Father, in the name of your Son, Jesus, the Word of Life, and in the unity of the Holy Spirit who transforms us by that Word, one God, forever and ever. Amen.
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