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,

The fifteenth chapter of the Gospel of Luke has three stories; the lost sheep, the lost coin and the lost son. These stories appeal to us because we all feel lost in some way. These stories are not about lost property or lost people or about being lost but about being found! The three stores speak about the joy and happiness of the finder. Jesus used these stories to speak about God and what God is like. A shepherd does not wait for the lost sheep to return but goes looking for it. God does not wait for us to return to him. He comes looking for us. Jesus speaks about a God who is full of love, forgiveness and compassion who escort his lost children back to his home with joy!

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor.

NEEDED
The thing that is most needed in homes today is a family.
--Anonymous

40 Days for Life Information
Session: The 40 Days for Life program of peaceful and prayerful presence in front of the Planned Parenthood facility (4th & H in San Rafael, Sept. 25 – Nov. 3, 2019) will have a kick-off and information session on Sunday September 22, 2019 from 3-5 pm at Marin Covenant Church, 195 N. Redwood Dr. in San Rafael. Keynote speakers include Wynette Sills (Californians for Life) and Rev. Walter Hoye (Issues4Life). Further information and participant sign-up calendar are available at https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/san-rafael/, or contact Ruth Ann Cawley (racawley60@gmail.com).

St. Anselm Church Stewardship
Registered Parishioner Families 2019-1675
1st Collection: $4,774
2nd Collection-N/A
Electronic Weekly Donations-$2,625
Please visit our church website to sign-up for Electronic Donations
Second Collections:
September 15– Building & Maintenance
September 22– Priests’ Retirement
September 29– St. Vincent de Paul

MASS INTENTIONS

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As a community we ask God’s blessing for the ill:
Charlie Greason, Michael Bruciati, Jose Larraga, Stan & Donna Pechaloni, Stacy Jackson, Emerico Sauceda, Quonnella Lee, Mark Gardner, Steve Leland, Christopher Goward, Richard Green, Irene Lorente, Terese Marklinger, Allison Chichizola, Karen Poligono, Frank Dal Gallo, Ashley Noe, Steve McDonald, Jacob Aceto, Matthew Hunter, Joan Woods, John Daly, Erin Murphy, Stephen Corr, Terry Leland, Marlene DeLong, Donna Przybyski, Marilyn Marklinger, Mike Abbiallo, 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, Frank Montenegro

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
Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6; Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50
Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
Sunday: Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 [10-13]

GRACE AND STRUGGLE
The gift of grace increases as the struggles increase.
--St. Rose of Lima
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Classes will be held at Dominican University (1520 Grand Avenue in San Rafael) from 10:00 to 11:30 am on the following Thursdays: September 19; October 3, 17, 31; November 14, 21; December 5. Enrollment is open so you need not commit to attending all sessions. Please email Mo Dear at modear3@comcast.net if you have questions or would like to attend any of the sessions. Program materials will be handed out before each class.

We thank you in advance for your generosity in the second collection on September 29th and throughout the year.

Your St. Anselm/ St. Vincent de Paul Conference team: Libby Carra, Cari Case, Marlene De Voto, Bill Langley, Elizabeth Melone and Therese Pedemonte

On September 29th, there will be a 2nd collection for the St. Anselm Conference of St. Vincent de Paul. Your kind donations have made it possible for us to offer assistance to many individuals and families who are facing great challenges and we are very grateful for your support. It may be hard to believe, but most of the people whom we help live only about a mile or two from St. Anselm. Sometimes it is easy to forget that there are many people right here in our area who are really struggling to make ends meet. Often one of our clients calls us for help because he/ she has been injured, can’t work or lost their job and has lost the health benefits associated with their job. Unfortunately, sometimes in this situation the problems they face cascade. Often our clients then face complications in getting the medical care they need, maintaining their housing and getting enough food to eat. Even though we must typically limit our monetary support to $300 per year per client, we try to give them additional assistance and enable our clients to find meaningful solutions to whatever issues they face. Through conversation, exploring other resources in our community and prayer we try to come up with suggestions that bring them hope and remind our clients that God loves them.

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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. Therese 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 is 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

“The Carmelite Nuns invite you to their Annual Fall Jam Sale. The Sale begins October 15th until February 14th. We hope you will enjoy the fruits of our labor: Apricot, Peach, Strawberry, Plum-Pear & Bumbleberry Jam And Pear-Apple sauce. These delicious jams & sauce make wonderful gifts for Thanksgiving, Christmas & St. Valentine’s Day.” (The proceeds from this sale are used for the purpose of supporting the Sister’s contemplative life of prayer. For more information call 415-847-3381-530 Blackstone Dr., San Rafael, 94903. Thank you very much and God Bless You!

**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
Congratulations Sadat Family

At baptism, a child is born again into Christ and becomes God’s adopted son or daughter. This past Sunday, on the Feast of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary, we welcomed the Sadat twins: Giuliana and Kayvon into our community. They were baptized into our faith with their chosen saint names: Mary Catherine and Francis of Assisi. Later, they joined us at the table of the Lord where they received communion for the first time. Congratulations to the Sadat Family. We thank you for choosing St. Anselm as your community and we look forward to witnessing Giuliana and Kayvon’s love for God grow and strengthen.
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