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.

October 6, 2019
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Times

Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the LORD who made us.
-- Psalm 95:6

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 8:00am 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
Helping Hands: (415) 453-2342

Stir into flame the gift you have from God

Respect Life Sunday
Dear Parishioners,

We read in this weekend’s Gospel, ‘when you have done all you have been commanded, say, “We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.”’ We are not doing a service to God by living our lives well. We should not also expect rewards from God for everything we do. But often, we have expected payoffs for everything we do. The practice of indulgence reduced our relationship to God to economics. For a few prayers or for a change we could get a plenary indulgence. The book ‘Raccolta’ even gave the exchange rates. We have to see our relationship to God in a different light. Through the death of Christ, he has given us infinite merits. Everything we have is already ours. We belong to the family of God. We own everything. We do not get paid. Eternal life is our inheritance!

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

Marin Organizing Committee 10th Anniversary Convention-Do you care about the housing crisis in Marin? Do you want to work toward making our mental health care system more affordable and accessible? Do you wonder how our county is going to address the rapidly growing aging population? Are you worried about our increasingly divided political discourse? Do you want to make an impact in the local community where you live? Join St. Anselm's MOC Core Team members for the Marin Organizing Committee Convention on Sunday, October 27th from 3 to 5pm at the Marin Civic Center Exhibit Hall. We are celebrating 10 years of building citizen power and announcing a renewed agenda of issues for the coming years. Come be a part of making history. Sign up after Mass next weekend and/or contact Deacon Bernie O’Halloran (bernieohall@yahoo.com) or Pat Langley (117plangley@gmail.com) for more information.

As a community we ask God’s blessing for the ill:
Charlie Greason, Michael Bruciati, Jose Larraga, Stan & Donna Pechalonis, 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, Erin Murphy, Stephen Corr, Marlene DeLong, Donna Przybyski, Marilyn Marklinger, Mike Abbqallo, Don Orlandi, Luke O, Barbara Werner, Michael Murray, Judge & Mrs. Lynch, Avani Khanna

For the Repose of the Soul: Cardinal William Levada

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: Jon 1:1 -- 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9;
Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12;
Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13;
Lk 17:11-19

LIVING A FAITH
‘Tis not the dying for a faith that’s so hard--every man of every nation has done that--‘tis the living up to it that’s difficult.
--William Makepeace Thackera
CALLING ALL KNITTERS! Would you knit a scarf for one of our overseas soldiers?
BLUE STAR MOMS OF MARIN will be packing Christmas boxes with treats and beautiful warm scarves for our Troops. It’s easy, is received with heartfelt thanks, and makes you feel good. Please contact Penny at: eccoci@sbcglobal.net for more information and “scarf requirements” (size, etc.) All scarves knitted need to be ready for pickup just before Thanksgiving to coordinate with the packing schedule.

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. To date our sessions have dealt with the topics of Modern Spirituality and Immigration, and how we, as Catholics, engage with these ideas and situations. Our next session will be on Women in the Church and will take place in mid-October.

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.

Remembrance Mass- As a part of All Souls’ Day remembrances, a special Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, November 3rd at 10:00am. The names of parishioners and family members who have died in the past year will be announced during the Mass. There will be a casual reception in Centennial Hall following the Mass. We invite you to submit any names you would like to be included as well as any photographs of them you would like to be displayed on the altar during the month of November. Please submit the names and photos to Sissy, at the Church office by October 28th.

St. Anselm’s Annual Oktoberfest
DATE: Saturday, October 19th
TIME: 6:15pm (After 5pm Mass) to 10 pm
PLACE: Centennial Hall and Courtyard
ENJOY BEER, BRATS, SAUERKRAUT, PRETZELS, AND LIVE MUSIC BY THE JOLLY BAVARIANS
Tickets prices are: Early Bird: Adults $25, Seniors $15 (65 and older), Children $10, Family/ Household $60 With Babysitting $75
(Must register and pay by Friday, October 11th)
At the Door: $30 Individual, $15 Seniors (65 and older)
$10 Children, $75 Family
Must have a reservation to attend
RSVP: Sissy -st.anselmoffice@att.net, or 415-453-2342. Drop off payment at the Rectory or mail to: PO Box 1061, Ross, 94957

SPEAKING OF GOD
Almost everything said of God is unworthy, for the very reason that it is capable of being said.
--St. Gregory the Great

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Fall Adult Faith Formation
This semester our Adult Faith Formation class will be doing Word on Fire’s study series Pivitol Players: St. Augustine & St. Benedict and Fulton J. Sheen & Flannery O’Connor.

Come join us most Tuesday nights after the 5:30pm mass, from 6pm-7:45pm in our parish hall. Starting date was October 1st, but feel free to attend. OPTIONAL dinner potluck from 6pm-6:30pm to break bread together. Feel free to add your dish, snack, or drink contribution (but not required). Actual lesson will begin at 6:30pm.

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St. Anselm Church Calendar of Events
And “Save The Date”

October 3rd– Centering Prayer, 9:30am Parish Hall
October 14– Office Closed
October 15– Teachings on Tap-6:30pm– Location TBD
October 19--Oktoberfest-6:15pm-10:00pm-Hall

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 October 15th from 6:30pm-7:45pm (location TBD). Must RSVP to Dre@saintanselm.org by October 11th.

40 Days for Life Information
Session: The 40 Days for Life program of peaceful and prayerful presence will be in front of the Planned Parenthood facility (4th & H in San Rafael, Now – Nov. 3, 2019)

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).

Bible Study

This will be like no other Bible class you have ever attended!
The Spiritual Life Committee would like to invite you to a series of Bible classes taught by Sister Barbara Green.

Classes will be held at Dominican Convent (1520 Grand Avenue in San Rafael) from 10:00 to 11:30 am on the following Thursdays: October 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.

“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!
**Youth Ministry** The youth of our community have come together to host a Halloween party on Sunday, October 6th after the 10am mass. The youth have spent time prepping for this family spooktacular event. Children will have the opportunity to get their face painted, win prizes, enter a Halloween costume competition, and enjoy treats. Special thank you to all the youth who have been prepping for this event. All donations will go towards their ministry.

Announcement by Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone of the death of Cardinal William J. Levada:

"I share the sad news that Cardinal William Levada died peacefully in his sleep on September 25th in his apartment in Italy. He was 83 years of age.

"As you know, the Cardinal was Archbishop of San Francisco from December 1995 until the spring of 2005 when Pope Benedict XVI asked him to serve as Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. He served in that capacity in Rome from 2005 until 2012, and was the highest ranking American in the Roman Curia. I’ve known him ever since he was my seminar moderator in my first year of theology. I always appreciated his guidance and his commitment to the integrity of the Church’s Faith.

"Funeral Services at Saint Mary’s Cathedral in San Francisco are pending. Please join me in praying for the repose of Cardinal Levada’s soul."
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