My steps have been steadfast in your paths, my feet have not faltered. I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God.

-- Psalm 17:5-6a
Dear Parishioners,
The Pharisees and the Sadducees are often mentioned together in the gospels. The Pharisees believed in the resurrection, in angels, and in spirits. They were waiting for the coming of the Messiah. The Sadducees were few in number but wealthy. They were the governing class; they were secular in outlook, and did not believe in the coming of the Messiah. They did not believe in the next life, or in the existence of angels or spirits. When the Sadducees posed their question about the status of the woman who was married in this life to seven brothers, they were only making fun of the belief in a next life. Every Sunday we end the creed with these words, “And I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.” One of the most important beliefs we have is belief in an afterlife, without it, our life is a journey to nowhere! With it, our journey on earth is to our eternal home, to be with God.

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor.

Parish Survey: If you missed out on an opportunity to complete the parish survey in September, you’re in luck: you have another chance during the next ten days. Copies are available in the back of the church – please complete and drop off or mail to the rectory (PO Box 1061 Ross, CA, 94957) or go online at www.saintanselm.org and fill out the survey online. The responses are being tabulated and will be presented to the parish soon. Let us know what’s on your mind on the survey questions, or any other parish matters that interest you!

St. Anselm Church Stewardship
Registered Parishioner Families 2019-1568
Collection: $4,877
2nd Collection-N/A
Electronic Weekly Donations-$2,625

Please visit our church website to sign-up for Electronic Donations
Second Collections:
November 10– St. Patrick Seminary
November 17– Building & Maintenance
November 24– Campaign for Human Development

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

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: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday: Wis 2:23-3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Wis 7:22b-8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25
Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8
Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

PROCRASTINATION
Tomorrow is always the busiest day of the year.
--Anonymous
THANKSGIVING ECUMENICAL SERVICE:
It has been a long time tradition that St. Anselm Church, along with St. John Episcopal Church, St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, and First Presbyterian Church of San Anselmo, come together to celebrate the season of Thanksgiving. This year’s Service will take place at First Presbyterian Church, 72 Kensington Rd, San Anselmo, on November 27th at 7:30pm.
Join us to give thanks, hear inspiring readings, and participate in beautiful music.
Thanksgiving Day Mass at St. Anselm Church will be at 9:00am.

COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS
The upcoming holidays can be particularly difficult for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. The void left by their deaths is more deeply felt at this time of year and one might be filled with confusion and, at times, a dread to face this time. St. Anselm’s Grief Ministry will address the issues surrounding this challenging season and offer practical suggestions for coping.

Tuesday, November 19th from 3:00 to 4:30 in the Centennial Hall
Please call Brenda MacLean at 415-454-7650 to register.

ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE FOR THE HOLIDAYS
NOVEMBER 16TH-17TH
Our goal is to fill the Ritter Center Truck with nonperishable items for a holiday dinner. Some suggested items requested are: canned fruits and vegetables, cranberry sauce, stuffing, rice, potatoes. Paper goods such as plates and napkins are also needed.

Pick-up a paper bag after church the weekend of November 9th-10th so you can fill it during the week and return it next weekend. If you would like to make a donation so that turkeys and perishable food can be purchased and donated, please make checks out to Ritter Center. Thank you for your generosity! If you have any questions please call Liz Amini at 415-686-1166

MOC Convention Goes ON!!!
Despite the power outages -- and a last minute change in venue -- 700 Marin Organizing Committee leaders (including at least 65 St. Anselm parishioners) assembled at Congregation Rodef Sholom in San Rafael on Sunday, October 27th for their 10th Anniversary Convention.

24 hours before the assembly, leaders learned that the Exhibit Hall would be needed as a local command center to address power outages and host fire evacuees. Demonstrating flexibility, leaders quickly relocated the assembly. MOC demonstrated the power of organized people with the tenacity and resilience to show up against the odds.

Using a generator and portable mic system, leaders from 22 institutions ratified their agenda of issues moving into 2020, reported 75% progress on a $100,000 investment campaign, and celebrated 10 years of citizen power in Marin County. In the midst of anxiety-ridden uncertainty, MOC proved their people can and will show up.

Street Chaplaincy Dinner-St. Anselm Parishioners care! The lights came on about an hour before dinner was to be served and our crew was prepared. It wasn’t a hot meal but everyone received a brown bag lunch – with 4 types of sandwiches offered plus cheese, fruit and Halloween candy. Thanks to: Sharlyne Balano, Deacon Ed & Cathy Cunningham, Pat, Ginger, Sam and Ella Langley, Marilyn Gallagher, Susan, Andreas and Markus Ritter and Mary Wilkinson for getting it all together. It was really hard to realize that many of the guests were spending the cold night in their cars or outside. It put having no electricity for a few days into perspective. If you would like to participate in the dinners, email Pat Langley: 117plangley@gmail.com.
EVENT DATE - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7th 11:00am - 1:00pm
The PTG Sponsored Gingerbread House Workshop and Wreath Sale is back! Due to high demand from last year, we are offering a plan ahead option where you can pre-order your holiday wreaths and gingerbread houses. These festive items can be used for decorations in your home and make wonderful holiday gifts for friends, family and clients! This event gets you in the holiday spirit and is a wonderful way to support our school. Preorder forms will be available as of Monday, November 4th in the church and school office as well as the website through the school.

Dates for your Calendar:
The Gingerbread website is up and running to place orders and/or a reserve seating for a spot at the Parish Hall.
Dec 5: Christmas Market at St. Anselm School where you can preorder Gingerbread House Kits and purchase holiday wreaths.
Dec 7: Gingerbread Workshop at Parish Hall
11:00am -1:00pm
Dec 6: Pre-ordered Gingerbread Kits will be available for pick up after 3:00pm at the Parish Hall

For New St Anselm families here is some additional information: On Saturday, December 7th we transform the Parish Hall into a gingerbread house workshop. You can book a spot for your kids to create their holiday masterpiece and keep the mess out of your kitchen! Come and sip coffee or hot apple cider and listen to Christmas music as your kids work away.

The Gingerbread House Kit includes the following for $50: A beautiful gingerbread house sourced from a San Francisco Bakery, a bucket of decadent frosting from M&H Bakery, Large assortment of the perfectly selected candies to decorate the entire house. The entire kit comes wrapped beautifully with holiday ribbon
Our wreaths are sourced from Oregon, amazing quality and they come with a hand-tied holiday festive ribbon. Wreaths are $30 for one, $50 for two.

Any Questions, please contact Angela Quinlan at angmquinlan@gmail.com.
Thanks again for your support!
St. Anselm School Gingerbread House Committee
A Call to Remember
Call and Response Prayer
In the rising of the sun and in its going down, we remember them.
In the blowing of the wind and the chill of winter, we remember them.
In the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring, we remember them.
In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of the summer, we remember them.
In the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn, we remember them.
In the beginning of the year and when it ends, we remember them.
When we are weary and in need of strength, we remember them.
When we are lost and sick at heart, we remember them.
When we have joys we yearn to share, we remember them.
So long as we live, so too shall they live, for they are now a part of us, as we remember them.

All Saints Festival-On Sunday, November 17th after the 10am Mass, our Youth Ministry will transform our parish hall and courtyard into a saint’s festival for families to attend. There will be snacks, face painting, and different saint inspired game booths. Some things to look forward to are: helping St. Peter catch some fish, pick a rose for St. Therese, help St. Francis find his animal friends, or guess how many caramels are in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel’s jar. This event is completely free to attend. However, donations are encouraged and all proceeds will go towards our Youth Ministry cause to help end human trafficking.
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