A voice came from the heavens, saying, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”
— Matthew 3:17
Dear Parishioners,

The story of Jesus’ baptism is an epiphany story: Jesus is revealed as the son of God. This is Mathew’s emphasis. John’s baptism was a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. (Mk. 1:4). Why did Jesus let John baptize him? To give an example of humility, to raise John’s baptism to a new level, to show solidarity with sinners and to inaugurate his messianic work. The feast of the baptism of Jesus reminds us of our own baptism, and provides us with an opportunity to commit ourselves once again to the Christian life, which is essentially a life of service. We have all received our own unique call, in our families, in our work, in our world. We need God’s help to be faithful to that call. Faithfulness to small, everyday tasks is our way of responding to the problem of our time and participating in the work of Jesus.

Yours Sincerely,
Fr. Jose Shaji, Pastor

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Have you moved? Or changed your phone number or email address? Please let us know. We are updating our database and want to make sure the information we have in our database is accurate. 415-453-2342 or info@saintanselm.org

St. Anselm Church Stewardship
Registered Parishioner Families 2019-1568
1st Collection: 12/29: $2,740, January 5: $7,075
Christmas Offertory: $27,915
2nd Collection-SVDP: $2,591
Electronic Weekly Donations: $2,625
Please visit our church website to sign-up for Electronic Donations
Second Collections:
January 19– Building & Maintenance
January 26– Church of Latin America

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

For the Repose of the Soul: Sr. Colleen Kern, John Smith

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

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Mass Intentions

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-19; Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

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SICK RELATIVES & FRIENDS

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And “Save The Date”

January 16- Centering Prayer– 9:30am– 10:30am– Hall
January 16- “Liked”- Parent Ed Event-7:00pm Hall
January 20– Office Closed– Marin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 21– Teachings on Tap– 6:30pm-8:30pm– TBD
February 1– First Reconciliation– 10:00am-Church
February 13– Valentine Tea Party—3:00pm-4:30pm– Hall

TIPOFF TIME – Join the Fun at Clericus Classic Basketball Night
Saturday, January 18, 6:00 pm doors open; 7:00 pm game Serra
High School, Main Gym, 451 West 20th Ave., San Mateo sfarch.org/events/clericus-classic
Come out and support the 5th Annual Clericus Classic Basketball Game, featuring priests and seminarians. Archbishop Cordileone will be the official host and honorary tipoff referee. This family-fun evening is sponsored by the Office of Vocations. There will be skills competitions and other activities; a scrimmage game between eighth-graders and priests; food and drink to buy; and raffle drawings with a top prize of $1,000 (for adults only; must be present to collect). Doors open at 6:00 pm sharp, with pre-game activities at 6:30 and a 7:00 tip-off. Ticket prices are adults $10, children $5. Tickets are available at the door. Credit card and cash will be accepted.

Catholic Charities Encourages Census Help- Jane Ferguson Flout, Catholic Charities 415-972-1227
jfergusonflout@CatholicCharitiesSF.org
The U.S. Census is hiring in the Bay Area Counties over the next few months before Census Day on April 1. This is a great opportunity to: • Help spread the word that local Census jobs are available at competitive pay rates ($25-$30/hour). Must be 18 years or older. Candidates apply online at 2020Census.gov/jobs. • Be a parish training site for Census workers. • Volunteer as a Census Advocate at your parish. Hours flexible. Training is on January 23rd. Contact Jane Ferguson Flout. For complete information on Census jobs, contact Daniel Shifrin, Census Field Manager, at 650-216-8294 or daniel.g.shifrin@2020Census.gov

MARRIED COUPLES. How would you like to spend a weekend away with your spouse? Away from the kids, job, phone, bills and house? Plan to get away to a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.
The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is Feb 29-Mar 1, 2020 in San Francisco. For more information and/or to apply for a Weekend, visit our website at: sanjosewwme.org or contact
Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413.
BAPTISM— As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord this weekend, let us reflect on the this very special sacrament, closer to home. In 2019, Fr. Jose and our Deacons celebrated 60 Baptisms. Those Baptized ranged in age from 1 month old to 10 years old. We welcome all into our parish community and pray that their parents and Godparents are constant examples of what it means to be joined with Christ in Baptism.

WHY ARE YOU COMING TO ME?
We can almost hear the amazement in John the Baptist’s voice as he says to Jesus, “I need to be baptized by you, and yet you are coming to me?” Throughout the time that John preached and baptized people in the desert, he had been preparing people for the coming of the Messiah. Now, Jesus approaches him for baptism! We might share in his wonder. Why would Jesus, who is sinless, come to John for a baptism of repentance? Jesus’ response to John helps us understand. Jesus has come to fulfill all that is expected in the Messiah, and more. As he entered the waters of baptism, Jesus entered fully into our humanity, raising us toward God. Jesus sanctified the waters of baptism, making them holy, opening the heavens through his humble obedience to God’s plan of love.

CHRIST’S MISSION IS OUR MISSION
As Jesus came out of the baptismal waters, the Holy Spirit descended upon him and a voice from the heavens was heard saying, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.” In joining himself to humanity, Jesus opened the heavens for us, and in doing so, was confirmed in his mission of mercy and love. In baptism, we are joined with Christ. Immersed into his life and love, his mission is our mission. It is still early in this new year. Today, reflect on your baptismal call to live as a member of Christ’s body. In what ways do you love God and others? In what ways might you grow as a disciple of our Lord Jesus Christ? How are you living the mission of Christ, to make God’s love and mercy known in the world? Is Christ’s mission your mission?
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