

St. Anselm Catholic Church

March 17, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Lent



Happy St.
Patrick's
Day



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Sunday Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil 5:00pm,
Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, and 5:00pm
Weekday Mass: Monday-Friday 8:30am, Rosary 8:00am

Holy Day Masses: 8:30am, 12:00pm, 5:00pm

Parish Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and
Friday—8:00am-1:00pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00pm-4:45pm or By
Appointment

Baptism: Preparation Class required. Please email
dre@saintanselm.org or call the Parish Office ext.105

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) 454-3303

Cursillo Information: Cathy Cunningham
(415) 453-7174

Eucharist for Homebound: (415) 453-2342

CYO Website: www.stanselmcyo.org

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 everyday. We welcome, serve, and educate according to the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Fr. Gabriel's Reflection for the 5th Sunday of Lent Yr B

Beloved Parish Family of St Anselm,

In today's Gospel passage, St John refers to an episode in the last phase of Christ's public ministry, just before the Passover of his death and Resurrection. While Jesus was in Jerusalem, some Greeks, proselytes of Judaism attracted by what He was doing, approached Philip, one of the Twelve with a Greek name who came from Galilee. "Sir," they said to him, "we wish to see Jesus." Philip, in turn, went to Andrew, one of the first Apostles who also had a Greek name, and they both went and "told Jesus" (cf. Jn 12: 20-21). In the request of these anonymous Greeks, we the thirst of all who desire to know Christ.

Jesus' answer orients us to the mystery of Easter, the glorious manifestation of his saving mission. "The hour has come," he declared, "for the Son of man to be glorified (Jn 12: 23). This hour will entail the sorrowful passage through his Passion and death on the Cross. In this light, we also understand the solemn proclamation with which the Gospel passage ends: "and I, when I am lifted from the earth, will draw all men to myself" (Jn 12: 32), and likewise, the Evangelist's comment: "He said this to show by what death he was to die" – the Cross (Jn 12: 33).

Very appropriately, the liturgy brings us to meditate on this text of John's Gospel today, on this Fifth Sunday of Lent, as the days of the Lord's Passion draw near, inviting us to relive the mystery of His Crucifixion, death, and Resurrection not as foreign spectators but as protagonists in his mystery of the Cross and the Resurrection. In speaking of His forthcoming glorious death, Jesus uses a simple and, at the same time, evocative image: "Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit" (Jn 12: 24). Jesus had to be killed, buried, and raised to prove that love is stronger than death.

Nevertheless, Jesus, a true man with the same sentiments as ours, felt the burden of the trial and bitter sorrow at the tragic end that awaited him. "Now is my soul troubled," he confessed. "And what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour?" (Jn 12: 27). The temptation to ask: "Save me," does surface in each of us. At the same time, however, Jesus' filial adherence to the divine plan did not fail. Thus, he prays: "Father, glorify your name" (Jn 12: 28). By this, he means "I accept the Cross," in which the name of God is glorified.

Dear brothers and sisters, this is the demanding way of the Cross that Jesus points out to all his disciples. "He who loves his life loses it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life." "To hate" one's life is a strong and paradoxical Semitic expression that clearly emphasizes the radical totality in following Christ and, out of love for him, putting oneself at the service of others. We lose our life and thus find it!

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	Mar. 18	8:30am	Bruce Block (D)
Tues.	Mar. 19	8:30am	Josephine Shiplacoff (INT)
Wed.	Mar. 20	8:30am	Karen Poligono, Lori Schimm (INT)
Thurs	Mar. 21	8:30am	Emmeline Vita (D)
Fri.	Mar. 22	8:30am	Pat Jones (D)
Sat.	Mar. 23	5:00pm	Norma Cavagnetto (D)
Sun.	Mar. 24	8:00am 10:00am 5:00pm	Claude Wundrow (D) Parish People Matthew Hubal (D)

Sick Relatives & Friends

As a community we ask God's blessing for the ill: Jose Larraga, Stan & Donna Pechalonis, Mark Gardner, Steve Leland, Christopher Goward, Terese Marklinger, Allison Chichizola, Karen Poligono, Marilyn Marklinger, Don Orlandi, Fr. Neil Healy, Michael Cavagnetto, Louisa Walker, Jordan Roggenbuck, Catherine Ward, Lori Schimm, Matt Hansen, Natalie Johnson, Jai Hayden, Joan Risch, Jim Sweeney, Bob Hoffman, John Alkazin, Mike Killelea, Lorraine Matteucci, Deidre Carson, Fr. Bill Brown, Bryan Green, Chris Ryan, Duane Hultin, John Sisler, Elaine Innes

For the Repose of the Soul: John Starr, Al Dallara, Linda Heilmann, Norma Cavagnetto, Norma Baumsteiger

For Our Military: Matthew Kerry O'Brien, Robert Gebhardt, Tyler Lopez, Alex Boatwright, Elizabeth Baumsteiger, Christian Miller, Robert Kent, Shane Morgan, Daniel Lowe, and Rob Maniford

"Our Prayer Petition group will gladly pray for your intentions; simply use the link on our Parish website (<https://saintanselm.org/>) or go to <https://forms.gle/9C3WH4mtng33qLmn7>"

Green Tip: Double-Duty Ideas- The goal is "reduce, reuse, recycle."

1. Magazines. Roll up a couple of these and stick one into each of your calf- or knee-high boots so the footwear will keep its shape.**2. Empty paper-towel roll.** Flatten and use it to sheathe a knife kept in a drawer.**3. Small glass food jars.** These make perfect see-through storage vessels for nails, screws, nuts, and bolts.**4. Old shower curtain.** Stash one in your car's trunk to line it when carting potentially messy paints or picnic and beach gear.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

1. **Praying the Rosary**- We pray the Rosary before the daily 8:30am Masses.

2. **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**-We have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following the 8:30 Mass every First Friday of the month. Fr. Gabriel is available for confessions during the hour of Adoration.

3. **Stations of the Cross**- During Lent, Fr. Gabriel will lead the Stations of the Cross on all Fridays at 7:00pm.

4. **Monday morning (8:30 am) and Friday evening (5:00 pm) prayer with Deacon Bob Meave.** Contact Bob for the Zoom link. ppc.stanselmross@gmail.com. This is a wonderful way to start and end your week!

5. **Wednesday Afternoon Readings Discussion Group.**

Every Wednesday from 4:00 to 5:00 pm Deacon Bob will lead a discussion of the upcoming Sunday readings. This is a unique opportunity to explore what you and other parishioners take away from the Readings! All parishioners and lectors are invited to attend. **You may now attend in-person (Centennial Hall) or via Zoom.** Contact Deacon Bob to get a copy of the readings in advance and the Zoom link. ppc.stanselmross@gmail.com

Lenten Reflections: Join Deacon Bob Meave for the five Tuesdays leading up to Holy Week in reflections on the beloved parable of the Prodigal Son. The discussions will be anchored by the acclaimed book, *The Return of the Prodigal Son*, by Henri Nouwen., available at your favorite bookseller. It is recommended, but not required, that participants follow linked chapters in the book.

Tuesdays, 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm, Now –March 19. Join us on Zoom. For more information and to register, contact Deacon Bob at ppc.stanselmross@gmail.com.

Our Monthly Food Drive is March 23 & 24- The Ritter Truck will be in the church parking lot next to the Rectory. Our wonderful volunteers will accept donations before the 5pm Mass Saturday and Sunday from 7:30am until 5:15 pm.

Non-perishable donations such as tuna fish, peanut butter, pasta, chunky soups; and personal sanitary items such as diapers, toothpaste, shampoo are appreciated. Financial contributions for Ritter Center are also welcomed. Volunteers are the heart of this ministry. If you would like to volunteer for a 2 hour shift visit our parish website: saintanselm.org, click on the Give & Serve button to find the Food Drive Volunteer schedule. If you have any questions, contact Pat Langley, 117plangley@gmail.com.

St. Anselm Church Stewardship

1st Collection: \$4,964

(plus \$2,625 through Electronic Donations)

2nd Collection: Catholic Relief Services: \$1,429

Please visit our church website to sign-up for Electronic Donations, which help us even when you are traveling.

Special Collections:

Building & Maintenance- March 17

St. Vincent de Paul- March 31

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. Please join the Pope in praying... **For the new martyrs** We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

Stations of the Cross, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and Confession: March 22

On Friday, March 22nd, at 7:00pm, we will have Stations of the Cross, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession. Priests from local parishes, along with Fr. Gabriel, will be available to hear Confessions.



Holy Week

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

March 24-March 31

PALM SUNDAY -Saturday 5:00pm Vigil , Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, 5:00pm

MONDAY-Rosary 8:00am, Mass 8:30am

TUESDAY- Rosary 8:00am, Mass 8:30am

WEDNESDAY- Rosary 8:00am, Mass 8:30am

HOLY THURSDAY-Rosary 8:00am, Liturgy of the Hours, No 8:30am Mass

11:00am Living Stations of the Cross

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Centennial Hall until Midnight

GOOD FRIDAY- No morning Rosary or Mass

12:30pm Liturgy of the Hours

1:00pm Meditations & Prayer

2:00pm Stations of the Cross

3:00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY- Confessions 10:00am-

11:00am, **EASTER VIGIL** 8:00pm

EASTER SUNDAY- Masses 8:00am, 10:00am,

12:00pm



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