

St. Anselm Catholic Church

April 14, 2024

Third Sunday of Easter



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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- 3rd Sunday of Easter Yr B

Beloved Parish Family of St Anselm,

The context of Peter's speech in our first reading from the Acts of the Apostles concerns a man, lame from birth, who was brought to the Temple every day so he could beg for alms. Remember, in the Jewish mentality of the time, this man was not only physically impaired, but everyone would have looked upon him as a very sinful person whom God was punishing. As Peter and John went to the Temple for afternoon prayer, the lame man saw them and asked for some money. Peter said, "I do not have any money, but I will give you what I have. Get up and walk in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth."

Of course, this created quite a commotion, and everyone wondered what had happened. It was a perfect opportunity for Peter to explain the healing power of the risen Jesus. Notice that Peter said God would excuse them because they acted out of ignorance. But, having seen the risen Jesus at work in the healing of the lame man, they no longer will be excused.

Together with peace, forgiveness is one of the prime gifts of the risen Christ in gospel accounts of both John and Luke. Just as ill-health plagues our bodies, sin plagues our souls. St John says in his letter: "If we say, 'we are without sin,' we deceive ourselves." Sin can have a way of creeping into us little by little that we can hardly take notice of before it becomes almost a habit. We tell ourselves things like *Oh, that is not so bad*, or *God is forgiving*, or *Nobody is perfect*. Mostly, these statements can be factual. But like little snowflakes that keep falling, we do not notice how certain habits can grow. See how, for example, the culture of not coming to Church on Sunday or not praying has grown not to seem anything strange to us again? Yet it denies God the honor due to God, and it breaks one's connection with the community of believers that gives us spiritual nourishment and guidance. See how, for some people, a day cannot pass without gossiping?

St John tells us, "If anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one." In the first reading, St Peter calls his listeners to repent that their sins may be wiped away. In the gospel, Jesus tells his apostles, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations." Our God continues to offer us His peace in the sacrament of reconciliation. He says, "Come to me all who are burdened, and I will give you rest." Let us give rest to our consciences by approaching God and one another for forgiveness and peace of heart. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	Apr. 15	8:30am	Don Gould (D)
Tues.	Apr. 16	8:30am	Alma Dohmer (D)
Wed.	Apr. 17	8:30am	Henning Nielsen (D)
Thur.	Apr. 18	8:30am	Claire Muller (INT)
Fri.	Apr. 19	8:30am	Catherine Gill (D)
Sat.	Apr. 20	5:00pm	Donna Przybyski (D)
Sun.	Apr. 21	8:00am 10:00am 5:00pm	Claude Wundrow (D) Parish People Edward Tarrant (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, Elaine Innes

For the Repose of the Soul: Jerry Thompson

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 Manifold

"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: Bees are important, yet increasingly threatened, pollinators on our planet. Create a bee haven by including plants such as yarrow, blue aster, wild lilac or verbena in your garden.

Pope Francis, LAUDATO SI, Ch.6 – Ecological Education and Spirituality, III. Ecological Conversion, ¶220: Ecological conversion requires a recognition that the world is God's loving gift and we are called to imitate His generosity in self-sacrifice and good works, including a loving awareness that we are not dis-connected from the rest of creatures, but joined in a splendid universal communion.

Beloved Parishioners of St. Anselm Church, in the spirit of collaboration, I am announcing to you my intention of constituting a Parish Pastoral Council per the provisions of Canon 536 §1 and §2 of the Code of Canon Law to assist me in fostering pastoral activity for the good of our parish. The Pastoral Council will be governed by the norms established by the diocesan bishop. Like the leadership of other Church Committees, its term terminates with the exit of the Pastor who constitutes it.

1. Kindly submit your suggested names for membership in the Council to me via wankar.gabriel@sfarch.org
 2. Over the next few months, I will follow up to individually interact with and seek the consent of those suggested.
 3. Next, I will constitute and inaugurate the Parish Pastoral Council (Likely of Five members).
- Kindly keep our parish and me in your prayers as we go through this critical stage of our parish life.
Fr. Gabriel T. Wankar – Pastor.

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. 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!
4. **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

Our Monthly Food Drive is April 20-21. 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. Questions? contact Pat Langley, 117plangley@gmail.com.

Enjoy a few laughs during our joyous Easter Season.

Bible Stories by Kids- A book titled Little Wonders, by Mary Hollingsworth
In case you're a little foggy on your biblical history, let young church students help you with this overview of the Bible, compiled from their essays:

- In the beginning, which occurred near the start, there was nothing but God, darkness, and some gas. The Bible says, "The Lord thy God is one," but I think He must be a lot older than that. Anyway, He said, "Give me a light!" and someone did. Then He made the world.
- He split the Adam and made Eve. Adam and Eve were naked, but they weren't embarrassed because mirrors hadn't been invented yet. Adam and Eve disobeyed God by eating one bad apple, so they were driven from the Garden of Eden. Not sure what they were driven in though, because they didn't have cars.
- Adam and Eve had a son, Cain, who hated his brother as long as he was Abel.
- One of the next important people was Noah, who was a good guy, but one of his kids was kind of a ham. Noah built a large boat and put his family and some animals on it. He asked some other people to join him, but they said they would have to take a rain check.
- After Noah came Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Jacob was more famous than his brother, Esau, because Esau sold Jacob his birthmark in exchange for some pot roast. Jacob had a son named Joseph who wore a really loud sports coat.
- Another Important Bible guy is Moses, whose real name was Charlton Heston. Moses led the Israel Lights out of Egypt and away from the evil Pharaoh after God sent ten plagues on Pharaoh's people. These plagues included frogs, mice, lice, bowels, and no cable. God fed the Israel Lights every day with manicotti. Then He gave them His top ten Commandments. These include don't lie, cheat, smoke, dance, or covet your neighbor's bottom (the Bible uses a bad word for bottom that I'm not supposed to say. But my Dad uses it sometimes when he talks about the President). Oh, yeah, I just thought of one more: Humor they father and they mother.
- One of Moses' best helpers was Joshua who was the first Bible guy to use spies. Joshua fought the battle of Geritol and the fence fell over on the town.

St. Anselm Church Stewardship

1st Collection-\$4,677
(plus \$2,625 through Electronic Donations)
2nd Collection: N/A
Please visit our church website to sign-up for Electronic Donations, which help us even when you are traveling.
Special Collections:
Building & Maintenance-April 21
Catholic Home Missions-April 28

Each year, the Pope asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. Please join the Pope in praying... **For the role of women** We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

