

St. Anselm Catholic Church

June 29, 2025

The Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul



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Weekend Masses:

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, 11:00am, 5:00pm

Adoration: with Rosary, weekdays from 7:25—8:25 am
and First Fridays from 9 am—12 noon

Eucharist for Homebound: (415) 453-2342

Reconciliation: Before 8:30am weekday Mass, Saturday
4:00pm-4:45pm, during Adoration on First Fridays 9:00am-
12:00pm or by Appointment

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

Anointing 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

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.

Pastor's Reflection: Solemnity of Sts. Peter & Paul

On the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, two elements in the scripture seem to contradict one another but are complementary. On the one hand, we have the extraordinary vocation of the Apostles Peter and Paul and, on the other, *the difficulties they had to face in fulfilling the mission they received from the Lord.*

When Jesus asked who people thought the Son of God was, Peter made his profession of faith: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Mt 16:16), and this faith constitutes the firm foundation of the People of the New Covenant. The Church is not primarily a social structure; she is the community of those who proclaim the one apostolic faith. This common profession of faith is the real *raison d'être* of the Church herself as a visible institution: it motivates and sustains every project and initiative.

Today's liturgy emphasizes why it was necessary for the faith professed by the lips of the two Apostles to be also crowned with the supreme test of martyrdom. The first reading recalls Peter's miraculous release from the prison in Jerusalem, where he had been held by King Herod. In the second reading, Paul, as if summarizing his entire apostolic and missionary activity, says: "I was rescued from the lion's mouth" (2 Tm 4:17). Both testimonies show, that the two were sent by Christ to proclaim the Gospel in an environment hostile to the Gospel of Christ.

While Peter experienced this resistance in Jerusalem, where Herod, to win the favor of the Jews, had thrown him into prison, intending "to bring him out to the people" (Acts 12:4), Paul too, sent by the risen Christ to many pagan cities and peoples in the Roman Empire, encountered strong resistance from his compatriots and from the civil authorities. Paul's Letters are a splendid testimony to these difficulties and to the great struggle he had to endure for the Gospel cause. At the end of his mission, Paul could write: "My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith" (2 Tm 4:6-7).

While the struggle which the Apostles Peter and Paul had to undertake for the cause of the Gospel could be seen to have ended in defeat, just like Christ, who seemed to have ended in the crucifixion, what seemed a defeat, was in fact the beginning of victory over the forces of evil won first by Christ and then by his disciples through faith. May the Lord, who today gladdens us with the glorious memory of the Apostles Peter and Paul, preserve missionaries in hostile environments, strengthen those who are discouraged and grant us all the resolve to suffer insults, persecution, discomfort for the sake of the Gospel, Amen!

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	June 30	8:30am	Rose Shadduck (D)
Tues.	July 1	8:30am	Matthew Hubal (D)
Wed.	July 2	8:30am	Bob Hoffman (INT)
Thur.	July 3	8:30am	Salvador Olivares (D)
Fri.	July 4	8:30am	Alicia Allen (D)
Sat.	July 5	5:00pm	Earl Dolcini (D)
Sun.	July 6	8:00am	Gabriel, Mary, & Ignatius Kellady (D)
		10:00am	John Del Signore (D)
		5:00pm	Ella Evers-Meinardi (D)

Sick Relatives & Friends

Note: please call parish office to update names

As a community we ask God's blessing for the ill: Theresa Sullivan, Stan & Donna Pechalonis, Mark Gardner, Terese Marklinger, Karen Poligono, Marilyn Marklinger, Don Orlandi, Fr. Neil Healy, Jordan Roggenbuck, Matt Hansen, Jim Sweeney, Bob Hoffman, John Alkazin, Mike Killelea, Lorraine Matteucci, Deidra Carson, Fr. Bill Brown, Bryan Green, Chris Ryan, Elaine Innes, Arlene Hansen, Rose Michelle D'Haiti, John Peterson, Erin Granucci, Bruce Hubal, Charles Cavagnetto, J.R. Maricich, Isabella O'Brien, Dorothy Laddish, Penny Maioli

For the Repose of the Soul: Pauline O'Brien-DeLury, Susan Catinella, Linda Biesheuvel, Pat Daly, Katherine Elizabeth Devcich, Catherine Ward

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

The Pope's Monthly Intentions

June—That the world might grow in compassion

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

The 2025 Church Restoration Campaign Our remaining goal is \$700,000

This campaign requires all of us to consider a contribution from our hearts.

Questions: call/email, Steve Easley, Chairman of the Parish Finance Council

415-272-6147/ steve@meridiancommercial.com

Notice on Father Neal Healy

Please pray for the health of Father Neal Healy who is currently residing in a convalescent home in San Mateo. If you would like more information on visiting him, please contact the parish office.

SAVE THE DATE AND COMMUNITY NOTES

- ♦ **WINE AND CHEESE NIGHT!**
Come join us after the 5pm Mass on Saturday, **July 12** and Saturday, **August 2** for wine and cheese.
- ♦ **Back to School Barbecue** after the 5:00pm Sunday Mass on **August 23**
- ♦ **An Evening of Recollection on Wednesday, September 10 at 7pm** *Theme: "Peace Within, Peace Around: An Evening of Reflection on Inner Peace in a World That Never Stops."* [Led by the Dominican Sisters of Marin Catholic High.]
- ♦ There is an open position for Director of Sacred Music at St. Anselm's. For more information, check the website for the job listing.
- ♦ There will be no Ritter Center Food Drives until September due to low volunteer recruitment during the summertime. Thank you for your support for this important ministry. We look forward to resuming in the Fall.
- ♦ 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! **You may 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



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St. Anselm Church Stewardship

Visit church website to sign-up for Electronic Donations

Upcoming second collection on July 6
Peter's Pence

2025 Annual Appeal: \$38,630 collected; goal of \$71,409

2025 Church Restoration Goal—\$ 3,500,000

A Journey Through the Catechism 5: The Holy Spirit and the Birth of the Catholic Church at Pentecost (CCC 683-810)

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that the Church is instituted and structured by Christ to provide a means of grace through the sacraments that guide us to our eternal destiny (CCC, 871-879). Catholics are often asked to defend that statement by sharing where such teachings about the Church are found in the Bible.

Perhaps the better question would be, "Where is the teaching about the Church *not* found in the Bible?" Throughout the Old Testament, the Church is prefigured by the special place God has for the people of Israel, holding them as the apple of his eye (cf. CCC, 761-762, Zec 2:8). Our Lord calls together his twelve Apostles from diverse backgrounds and talents and forms them through his teachings and miracles to be the leaders of the nascent Church. After the day of Pentecost, the Apostles would travel to the ends of the earth, proclaiming the Good News and building up the Church through the sacraments. "Through the Church's sacraments, Christ communicates his Holy and sanctifying Spirit to the members of his body" (CCC, 739).

Jesus institutes His Church for you, so that you might be

- Born anew through the Sacrament of Baptism
- Strengthened in faith through the Sacrament of Confirmation
- Nourished for service through the Sacrament of the Eucharist
- Absolved of sin through the Sacrament of Penance
- Consoled and healed in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick
- At the service of communion in the Church through the Sacrament of Holy Orders or the Sacrament of Matrimony, or in a life of consecrated service to the Lord

Jesus institutes the Catholic Church and promises to guard her through thick and thin so that you might bear the fruit of the Spirit in abundance (cf. CCC, 737, Jn 15:8, 16). The Church is for you, and the Church is able to accomplish her mission because of you. Salvation is not a self-help project. We are saved through the Church as members of the Body of Christ (cf. CCC, 738).

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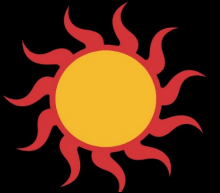
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