

St. Anselm Catholic Church

July 14, 2024
Fifteenth Sunday
In Ordinary Time



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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: Before & after 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

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– 15th Sunday Yr B

Beloved Parish Family of St Anselm,

Our readings this Sunday plunge us into the middle of a shouting match. Amaziah, a priest of the royal shrine of Bethel in Israel (the northern kingdom), is throwing out Amos, a Judean prophet, telling him to go home and make a living. Amos replies that he is no prophet, that is, *no court prophet in the employ of the king*, but a shepherd and farmer, called by God to "prophecy to my people Israel." The gospel passage immediately follows the story of Jesus' rejection as a "prophet without honor," who then commissions his twelve disciples to adopt the prophetic lifestyle of itinerant preachers.

In Mark's Gospel, the "formation" of the disciples unfolds in stages. They are called to follow Jesus and become people who fish for humans (1:16-20); later, they are called "to be with him" and are given power over evil (3:13-19). At this point, their mission parallels Jesus' mission: preaching repentance, confronting the power of evil, and healing the sick. *Jesus will later tell them that they, too, will be rejected by their loved ones* (13:9-13). The lack of material support, food, money, sack (briefcase), and their dependence on hospitality from others are signs of their total reliance on God and their freedom. *Unlike Amaziah, they are not prophets for hire*. By shaking the dust from their feet, the disciples symbolize to those who do not welcome them that they are subject to God's judgment. This lifestyle seems strange and even harsh to us today, and it was not normative even in the early Church. Still, it has lasting value. First, the Twelve are to represent in their lives the actions of Jesus, even though Jesus is not with them.

Today, people often ask where Jesus is amid the conflicting messages among Bishops and priests who cannot teach the truth of the gospel for fear of rejection. For instance, where are the priests and Bishops, prophets who can proclaim clearly, as taught by the Catechism, that to receive the Eucharist in the Catholic liturgy is to espouse publicly the faith and moral teachings of the Catholic Church and to desire to live accordingly?

The rejection of the disciples and the advice to continue to other places remind us that we must not play to the gallery to be accepted by society (think of the underground Church in China and other nations without religious liberty). Though thrown out of the shrine, Amos moves on. He delivers his most vigorous denunciations of those who "trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to ruin" (Amos 8:4). Awareness of God's call, traveling light, and risking rejection-these are the "carry-ons" for true prophets.

Let us pray for the courage to stand firm when our deepest religious commitments are brought into conflict or misunderstanding, even with family and loved ones. Moreover, in our contemporary culture of material excess, let us pray in the week ahead about ways that we may travel light as a community of disciples.

MASS INTENTIONS			
Mon.	July 15	8:30am	Domitri Family (INT)
Tues.	July 16	8:30am	Rita Dargan (INT)
Wed.	July 17	8:30am	Teresa Cunningham Gardner (D)
Thur.	July 18	8:30am	Christopher Allen Cook (D)
Fri.	July 19	8:30am	Joan & Richard Thomas (INT)
Sat.	July 20	5:00pm	Thompson Family (INT)
Sun.	July 21	8:00am 10:00am 5:00pm	Claude Wundrow (D) Deacon Ed & Cathy Cunningham (INT) Parish People

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, Karen Poligono, Marilyn Marklinger, Don Orlandi, Fr. Neil Healy, Louisa Walker, Jordan Roggenbuck, Catherine Ward, 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, Arlene Hansen, Landyn, Rose Michelle D'Haiti

For the Repose of the Soul: Cathy Hicks, Lori Schimm

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: Bike, walk or use electric vehicles when possible. Air pollution increases the risk of serious health problems for seniors, pregnant women and newborns.

Pope Francis, LAUDATO SI,' Ch.6 – Ecological Education and Spirituality, VIII. Queen of All Creation, ¶241: Mary, the mother who cared for Jesus, now cares for the wounded of this world. We must ask her to enable us to look at this world with her wisdom.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

1. **Praying the Rosary**-Before the weekday 8:30am Masses.
2. **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**-Following the 8:30am Mass and until 12:00pm every First Friday of the month. Fr. Gabriel is available to hear confessions during Adoration.
3. **Reconciliation**-Before and after 8:30am weekday Masses, Saturdays 4:00pm-4:45pm, during Adoration on First Fridays 9:00am-12:00pm, and by appointment.
4. **Monday morning (8:30 am) and Friday evening (5:00 pm) prayer with Deacon Bob.** 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.** Wednesday from 4:00 to 5:00 pm Deacon Bob will lead a discussion of the upcoming Sunday 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 at ppc.stanselmross@gmail.com.

Catechesis on the Parish Pastoral Council

Last month, I constituted our Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) to assist me in leading the Parish community in discerning the present and future Parish direction. The success of this endeavor requires not only education but the formation of myself, council members, and the Parish at large.

Among other things, the role of the PPC consists of the following:

- To assist the Pastor in his leadership role of planning, organizing, initiating, promoting, coordinating and reviewing the evangelization, worship, religious education/formation and service activities within the Parish.
- To assess adequately the needs of the whole Parish and its members and to develop and implement a pastoral plan that will promote the common good of the Parish.
- To foster unity and a sense of community in the Parish and to coordinate all parish activities in a manner that will best serve the interests of the Parish.
- To promote programs and activities in the Parish as recommended by the PPC, the archbishop, or archdiocesan offices.

The Second Vatican Council has identified the following essential elements that form the essence of Parish life: *Evangelization, Worship and word, Community Service and Stewardship Leadership.*

These elements constantly interrelate in Parish life, nurturing and supporting the other. Focusing on these elements, I hope for the council to be primarily charged with assisting in the development of St. Anselm as a mission-focused Parish, placing at the heart of the parish a consciousness of zeal for the mission of Jesus Christ.

Our PPC will be the umbrella body for all devotional groups, associations and ministries in our Parish of St. Anselm. With a primarily advisory role, I will consider the opinions and recommendations of the PPC, even as ultimately, per Canon Law, all decisions about the operation and direction of the Parish need to carry the Pastor's agreement and approval. By revisioning the parish through the direction of the PPC, it is my prayer that the entire Parish joins together to fulfill its unique role within the local and universal Church.



UPCOMING EVENTS SAVE THE DATE- UPDATED

August 13th, 12:00pm-
Brown Bag Courtyard
Lunch/ and Community
Conversation

August 18th, 6:00pm- Summer BBQ,
Church Courtyard

August 28th, 3:30pm- Altar Server Kick-Off
Event

September 1st, 1:05pm- Altar Servers field
trip to Giant's Game at Oracle Park



Going on vacation? Go to www.masstimes.org to locate a church near you. An easy way to be sure that St. Anselm receives your Offertory donation while you are away is by going onto the church website www.saintanselm.org and **signing-up to make electronic fund donations. Thank you!**

St. Anselm Church Stewardship

1st Collection: 6/30-\$3,735, 7/7-\$3,526
(plus \$2,625 through Electronic Donations)
2nd Collection: St. Vincent de Paul-\$2,434
Peter's Pence-\$944

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

Special Collections:
Building & Maintenance-July 21

The Pope asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. Please join the Pope in praying...**For the pastoral care of the sick** We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.



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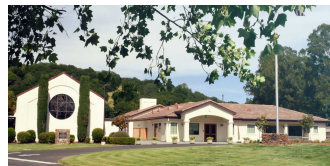
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