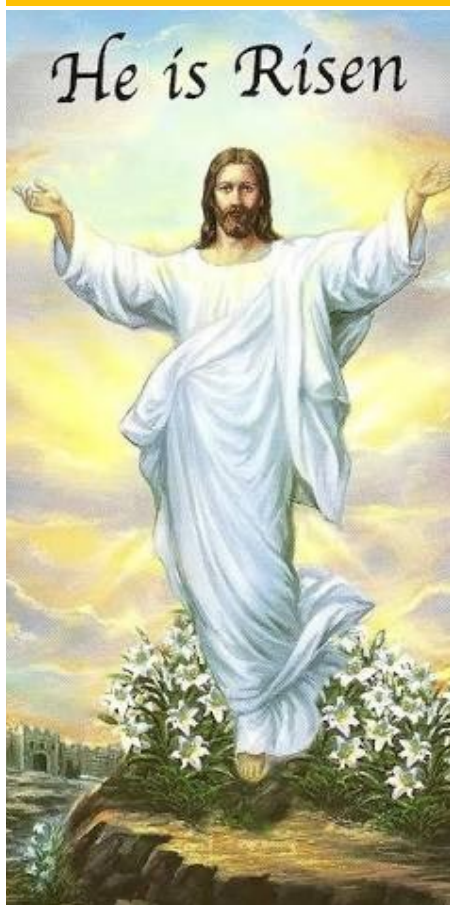


St. Anselm Catholic Church

**April 20, 2025
Easter Sunday**



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Stations of the Cross— Fridays during Lent 7:00pm

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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.

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Cursillo Information: Cathy Cunningham

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: Easter Sunday, Year C

Like most of the resurrection accounts, John's version paints a portrait of a journey that some of the early disciples had to make: *out of fear and into faith*. **I. Reaction Mode** – The text begins by describing everyone as being in reaction mode! *On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark . . .* John is making a deeper point that there is still a darkness that envelops everyone's mind, which makes Mary Magdalene see the direct evidence of the resurrection but presumes the worst: that grave robbers have snatched the Lord's body! We too, often look at our life and see only the burdens instead of the blessings, forgetting that the Lord says that even our burdens are gifts in strange packages.

II. Recovery mode – The text goes on to describe a certain subtle move from reaction to reflection. *So, Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter . . .* Mary's panic triggers that same reaction in the disciples. Now they're all running! But John runs faster than Peter. Perhaps John runs faster because he begins to move from reaction to reflection and remembrance. The text says that John looked in and saw the burial cloths but waited for Peter. Mystics and lovers may get there first, but the Church has a Magisterium that must be respected, too.

III. Reassessment mode – The text says, *When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths [lying] there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place.* Mary Magdalene's assessment was that grave robbers must have struck, but grave robbers typically sought fine linens in which the dead were buried. Yet there are the linens while the body is gone. In fact, the most expensive cloth of all, the *σουδάριον* (soudarion), lies folded in a separate place. Sometimes we need to take a fresh look at the evidence and interpret it as people of faith and hope, who know that although God may test us, He will not forsake us. Does your resurrection faith make you ready to reassess the bad news you receive and look for blessings, even in crosses?

IV. Resurrection Mode – Somewhat cryptically, the text now focuses on the reaction and mindset of St. John. *Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.* The text says that he *ἐπίστευσεν* (episteusen); he "believed." In other words, something has come to fruition in John. He has not yet seen Jesus alive, but he believes based on the evidence and on what his own heart and mind tell him. John has gone from fear to faith, from reaction to reflection, from panic to peace – and so must we.

Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS			
Mon.	Apr. 21	8:30am	Deacon Jim Myers (D)
Tues.	Apr. 22	8:30am	John & Reina Velcich (D)
Wed.	Apr. 23	8:30am	Alma Dohmer (D)
Thur.	Apr. 24	8:30am	Samuel Navarro (D)
Fri.	Apr. 25	8:30am	Irene dela Torre (INT)
Sat.	Apr. 26	5:00pm	Catherine Gill (D)
Sun.	Apr. 20	8:00am 10:00am 5:00pm	Vincent Boyle (D) Nelly Martino (D) St. Anselm Parishioners

Sick Relatives & Friends

Note: please call parish office to update names
As a community we ask God's blessing for the ill: Stan & Donna Pechalonis, Mark Gardner, Terese Marklinger, Karen Poligono, Marilyn Marklinger, Don Orlandi, Fr. Neil Healy, Jordan Roggenbuck, Catherine Ward, 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
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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

Pray for Pope Francis – Pope Francis needs our prayers as he struggles with health challenges while still shepherding and inspiring his holy flock.

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR THE MONTH
For the use of the new technologies
 Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

Parish Administrative Assistant Needed:
 see SaintAnselm.org for more information.

The 2025 Church Restoration Campaign
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 Questions: call/email, Steve Easley, Chairman of the Parish Finance Council
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Rebuilding Peace in the Holy Land

2025 Annual Appeal: \$25,424 collected; goal of \$71,409
2025 Church Restoration Goal—\$ 3,500, 000

A Journey Through the Catechism 3: Who is Jesus?

We began A Journey through the Catechism series with Fr. Mahan's words, "We are made for God," though scientists tell us the universe is ninety-six billion light years in size. Next, we looked at his answer to the question: What does it mean to have faith? He suggested that we all need to embrace certain habits that will keep us close to the Lord every day (the focus of this section). One such habit for us Catholics is to be focused on Jesus Christ and participate in His life through the Church He established and the sacraments He instituted – for He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life (cf. Jn 14:6).

"Jesus" was a common first name among Jews in the first century, and the name quite literally means "God saves." The Scriptures are quite clear that the name "Jesus" was chosen by God and made known through the archangel Gabriel at the Annunciation (cf. Lk 1:31). "Jesus" is etymologically similar to "Joshua," the name of the famous figure in the Bible closely connected to the Exodus. As Joshua was a key figure in the Exodus, so would Jesus be the one who would establish a new and everlasting covenant with His people to save us from the power of sin and to lead us to heaven.

Against the seemingly popular opinion that considers Christianity as a human invention, a pious myth, a moralistic story, or a delusional fantasy, Christianity is not a philosophy, nor is it a program. Christianity is not a set of rules or doctrines. Christianity is not worship or ritual. The very heart of the Christian faith is the person of Jesus Christ, born in a particular time and place in fulfillment of promises and prophecies. Jesus is the Eternal Word of God who became incarnate as a human being to dwell among us, to teach us how to live, to die for our sins, and to rise again to give us the hope of everlasting life.

Every moment that Jesus spent upon this earth teaches us a profound lesson, so much so that the Church urges us to read about and meditate upon His life daily from Scripture. Everyday at Mass, a selection of the four Gospels is presented, a moment from the life of Christ that gives us insight into His person, His message, and His plan for our lives. Many Catholics find it helpful to read and study the Gospel of the day, which is referenced on the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website under the heading "Daily Readings" (www.usccb.org).

Another way to reflect and pray on the life of Jesus is by reciting the Holy Rosary each day. The Rosary intends to think about key events in the life of Jesus around his entrance into our world (Joyful Mysteries, prayed on Mondays and Saturdays), his public life (Luminous Mysteries, prayed on Thursdays), his suffering and Death (Sorrowful Mysteries, prayed on Tuesdays and Fridays), and His Resurrection (Glorious Mysteries, prayed on Wednesdays and Sundays) (cf. Pages 19-42).

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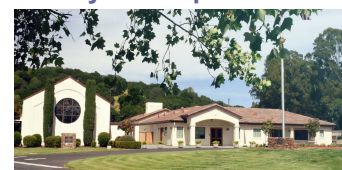
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