

St. Anselm Catholic Church

May 12, 2024
Ascension Sunday



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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– Ascension Sunday Yr B

Beloved Parish Family of St Anselm,

Happy Mother's Day to our beloved mothers!

During the era of great immigration to the United States, many men left their families in Europe (or South America, Africa, or Asia nowadays) to seek fortune in the new world. It was a long journey filled with uncertainty. Some of these stories had happy endings in which the economically successful man could send for his family and give them a happy life in the United States.

Jesus, in his Ascension, was leaving behind his disciples. However, his journey was for their good. Though His journey was through the doors of death, it would lead Him to the riches of everlasting life, which He would share with us. He went ahead to prepare a place for us, as did the man who left his family in Europe.

The Ascension of Our Lord (sometimes confused with the assumption of Mary – celebrated on August 15th) offers us a few lessons: **First**, the Ascension gives us an understanding of who Jesus is. Each Sunday at mass, we profess in the creed that Jesus rose from the dead and is now *seated at the Father's right hand*. Paul also tells us in today's second reading of Jesus seated at God's right hand. When Jesus entered the presence of his Father, He sat at his right hand, a symbol of equality with His Father. That is Catholic theology: Jesus is God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father.

Second, the Ascension gives us an understanding of our destiny. Jesus said to His apostles at the Last Supper: "I go to prepare a place for you, and then I will come again and take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also" (Jn 14:2-3). Our destiny is in heaven, where we shall live with God forever.

Third, The Ascension also gives us an understanding of our responsibilities. Jesus said to the apostles, "You will be my witnesses." They were, but many others in the world today need to know about Jesus. Who will proclaim the good news of God's love to them? You and I are to be those witnesses.

Today, Jesus' commission for the Apostles to travel to the ends of the earth, making disciples of all nations, seems a reality. Moreover, as in the Acts of the Apostles, persecution and even murder are the cost of faithful witness to the gospel, especially as people speak out on behalf of the poor and marginal, as is the case in many parts of Africa, the Communist world and indeed beyond, where Christians are in the minority.

The Ascension tells us that the Church must be a community on a mission guided by God's Spirit and confident of God's protection even amid suffering and death. Indeed, the mission is a summons for us Catholics to move to uncharted territory under the guidance of God's Spirit, with confidence in Jesus' words: *I am with you always, until the end of the age.*

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	May 13	8:30am	Larry Gentilello (INT)
Tues.	May 14	8:30am	Sr. Mary Kellady (INT)
Wed.	May 15	8:30am	Fr. Bill Brown (INT)
Thur.	May 16	8:30am	Fr. Kyle Faller (INT)
Fri.	May 17	8:30am	Joe McGarry (D)
Sat.	May 18	5:00pm	Robert Innes (D)
Sun.	May 19	8:00am	Norma Baumsteiger (D)
		10:00am	Ed Hurd & Family (INT)
		5:00pm	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, Allison Chichizola, Karen Poligono, Marilyn Marklinger, Don Orlandi, Fr. Neil Healy, 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, Arlene Hansen

For the Repose of the Soul: Jerry Thompson, Jay MacMahon, Mary Ellen Goepf

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>"

Have you moved? Or changed your phone number or email address? Please let us know. We are updating our database and want to make sure the information we have in our database is accurate. Contact us: 415-453-2342 or info@saintanselm.org

Green Tip: *"If humanity loses its orientation to goodness and beauty, if we lose sight of what brings us together as a human family, then no technical solution to the ecology crisis can succeed. We people of faith must live convincingly ourselves, embracing justice, peace, simpler and sustainable living, and solidarity with the poor. Pope Francis, Laudato Si, (200)*

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

**National Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage
St. Junipero Serra Route**

Walk with Jesus Across the Golden Gate Bridge!
Sunday, May 19 -11:00am Mass at Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption- 1111 Gough St.
 Join us for the launch of the National Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage from the West with the St. Junipero Serra Route. Join Archbishop Cordileone and the Eucharistic Perpetual Pilgrims for 11:00am Mass at Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption followed by a pilgrimage walk with the Blessed Sacrament across the Golden Gate Bridge.

Monday, May 20, don't miss the Eucharistic procession in downtown San Rafael, followed by a celebration and hosted dinner at St. Raphael Parish.

Walk the Eucharistic procession to St. Raphael Parish. There will be Eucharistic Adoration at 12:00pm at St. Sebastian. The Walk will begin at St. Sebastian at 1:30 and head to Albert Park— 151 Andersen Dr., San Rafael. The procession will leave Albert Park about 2:45-3:00 and continue on to St. Raphael Mission.
 Depending on the pace of the procession, it will arrive at the Mission around 3:15. At 3:15, there will be Eucharistic Adoration followed by Solemn Vespers. At 6:00pm, there will be a hosted dinner celebration for all pilgrims at St. Raphael.
 Contact: Sandra Kearney | 415-614-5505
kearneys@sfarch.org, For Updated Information go to <https://www.sfarch.org/eucharistic-revival/>

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 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:
 Catholic Charities-May 12
 Building & Maintenance-May 19
 Catholic Communications-May 26

Each year, the Pope asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. Please join the Pope in praying...**For the formation of religious and seminarians**
 We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

Happy Mother's Day

With a deep sense of gratitude for their loving care and sacrifices, our Mothers will be remembered in the Masses celebrated on Mother's Day. Please keep all Mothers, living and deceased, in your prayers.

In Memory Of: Jackie Ghiringhelli, Linda Heilmann, Sharon Grant, Jane Salbeck, Norma Baumsteiger, Julia Gould, Emily Alice Baumsteiger, Carleen Phelan, Irene Wundrow, Clophine White, Elizabeth Tiercoter, Anne Phelan, Geroldine Barnitz Cruz, Trena Orlandi, Sheila Frohling, Caramucci Family, Sobral Family, Anne Modic, Dorothy Innes, Edith Young, Delfina Dallara, Jeannette Bertorelli, Teresa Massavelli, Babe Bondesen, Nelly Martino, Lupita Martino, Teresa Perez, Emma Kollerer, Alice Muller, Dorothy Sumnick, Alice Farinacci, Evelyn Poligono

In Honor Of: Sobral Family, Caramucci Family, Dorothy Ratto



A PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

*Blessed is the Mother
 Who lets the Lord be her guiding hand,
 Whose faith brings her family courage,
 Whose wisdom comes from God,
 And whose children stand and honor her*

Our Monthly Food Drive is May 18-19. 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.



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