

St. Anselm Catholic Church

June 9, 2024

Tenth 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
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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– 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr B

Beloved Parish Family of St Anselm,

This Sunday's Gospel reading (Mk 3:20-35) reminds us of the human vice of envy, which pushes us to misrepresent others. In the episode, Jesus is misrepresented by the scribes and his family members – a cross that St. Paul reminds us to be a common aspect of the cost of discipleship.

Jesus is misunderstood by his loved ones, who think he is out of his mind (because he spent himself in service of others) and wants to take him home quietly. Then, a group of scribes appear and charge that because he expels demons, he must be in league with demons. Jesus responds with three short parabolic examples that underscore the absurdity of the divided reign or household of Satan allowing internal division and concludes with the crux of the argument: he is the stronger one who, by his exorcisms, has entered Satan's house and plundered it.

Dear brothers and sisters, the all-too-common vice of envy often drives us to deliberately choose to interpret the presence of goodness and divine action as evil. It is an attitude that destroys families, friendships, and communities, including the Church. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, "Envy is a capital sin. It refers to the sadness at the sight of another's goods and the immodest desire to acquire them for oneself, even unjustly. When it wishes grave harm to a neighbor (including destroying another's image and reputation), it is a mortal sin" (CCC 2539). From envy are born hatred, detraction, and calumny, which can stretch to feuds in families and communities as well as full-blown wars, as in Ukraine and the Middle East. Indeed, envy represents a refusal of charity, and often comes from pride – I must have my way!

Today's Gospel also speaks to us regarding another very different misunderstanding of Jesus: that of his brethren. They were worried because his new itinerant life seemed folly to them (cf. v. 21). His availability to the people, particularly the sick and sinners, made him not even have time to eat. Thus, his brethren decided to take him back home to Nazareth. In reply, Jesus shouts, "Who are my mother and brothers?" and utters the extraordinary words, "Here are my mother and brothers. Whoever does God's will is my brother, sister, and mother." The shadow of the cross falls over this scene since the way to the cross is the will of God followed by Jesus (Mark 14:35-36). Even the most intimate of family relationships, that of Jesus to his mother, must yield to the demands of God's will.

In the week ahead, let us ask God's forgiveness for the times we have participated in demonizing those who genuinely strive to speak God's will to the world. We ask the Virgin Mother to help us always live without envy and malice but in communion with Jesus, recognizing the work of the Holy Spirit who acts in our brothers and sisters, regenerating the world to new life

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	June 10	8:30am	Fr. Ngoan Phan (INT)
Tues.	June 11	8:30am	Esau Zavala Henriguez (D)
Wed.	June 12	8:30am	Fr. Neil Healy (INT)
Thur.	June 13	8:30am	Larry Gentilello (INT)
Fri.	June 14	8:30am	John Bobay (D)
Sat.	June 15	5:00pm	Landyn (INT) Parish People
Sun.	June 16	8:00am 10:00am 5:00pm	Norma Baumsteiger (D) Richard Petrocchi (D) Edward & Joan Penney (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, 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

For the Repose of the Soul: Lori Schimm, Ken Franceschi

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: Spend an hour one Sunday hiking nearby Phoenix Lake – one of Marin's seven reservoirs – and giving thanks for the blessing of clean, safe drinking water. **Pope Francis, LAUDATO SI,' Ch.6 – Ecological Education and Spirituality, VI. Sacramental Signs and the Celebration of Rest, ¶237:** The day of rest, centered on the Eucharist, sheds its light on the whole week, and motivates us to greater concern for nature and the poor.



Sunday, June 23-Fr. Gabriel would like to extend an invitation to our Parish Community to celebrate our Deacons at the 10:00am Mass with a reception to follow in Centennial Hall. This year marks many milestones for our wonderful Deacons and their wives, Deacon Bernie & Dolores O'Halloran, Deacon Ed & Cathy Cunningham, and Deacon Bob & Gail Meave. Deacon Bernie will celebrate 30 years of being a Deacon next year, and is also celebrating his semi retirement. This year, Deacon Ed celebrates his 25th Anniversary since he was Ordained to the Diaconate and Deacon Bob is celebrating his 10th Anniversary. Along with our Pastor, our Deacons are the Cornerstones of St. Anselm Church. They have Baptized, Married, Counseled, Taught, Enlightened, Listened to, and Comforted, many, many parishioners during their years of ministry as Deacons, and from the very start, their wives have been right by their sides, beginning with attending all the Diaconate preparation classes and training for the four years. This is truly a Holy Spirit guided commitment. Please join us on June 23rd and share your gratitude for the many blessings bestowed upon us.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

1. **Praying the Rosary**-We pray the Rosary before the weekday 8:30am Masses.
2. **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**-We have 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**-Fr. Gabriel is available for 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 Meave. 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.** 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

Catechesis on Roman Catholic Worship

People often discuss Mass and Catholic worship: its repetition and sobriety, the choice of music, the absence of a “welcoming spirit,” the somber tone, the lack of energy, and the bad homilies. In contrast, they ask for engaging music, more fellowship, an upbeat tone, homilies with stories and nuanced styles, and more interaction. In summary, some want the Catholic Mass to resemble the worship service of a megachurch (*but we are Roman Catholics!*).

In most of these good suggestions, I often ask, “**But where’s God?**” Yes, these suggestions would engage, inspire, and entertain us. But where is the worship of God?

The Second Vatican Council’s Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy teaches that *liturgy is an exercise of the priestly office of Jesus Christ. From this, it follows that every liturgical celebration, because it is an action of Christ the priest and of His Body, which is the Church, is a sacred action. The liturgy must be an invitation to faith and conversion* (6-9).

While the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy encourages “the full and active participation by all the people” (14), it emphasizes that the “Regulation of the sacred liturgy depends solely on the authority of the Church, that is, on the Apostolic See and, as laws may determine, on the bishop.” Accordingly, as Catholics of the Roman rite (we are not Mormons, Pentecostals, nor Methodists), Vatican II insists that *no other person, even if he be a priest, may add, remove, or change anything in the liturgy on his authority* (SC 22).

A beautiful liturgy in the Roman rite of the Catholic Church aims to help us to quiet down, refocus our minds and hearts, and then lead us to encounter and adore God. It is neither a festivity nor a meeting to have a good time. The grandeur of the Catholic liturgy does not rest upon the fact that it offers exciting entertainment. The essential in the liturgy is the Mystery, which is realized in the common ritual of the Church; all the rest diminishes it. We experiment with it in a lively fashion and find ourselves deceived when the Mystery is transformed into distraction when the chief actor in the liturgy is not the living God but the priest or the liturgical minister.

Our monthly Ritter Center Food Drive will take the Summer off. We will resume the Drive in September. You are welcome to drop off food donations at Ritter Center Have a safe and happy Summer.

St. Anselm Church Stewardship
 1st Collection: May 26-\$2,325, June 2-\$4,218 (plus \$2,625 through Electronic Donations)
 2nd Collection: Catholic Communications:\$759
 St. Anselm School:\$868
Please visit our church website to sign-up for Electronic Donations, which help us even when you are traveling.
 Special Collections:
 Building & Maintenance- June 16
 St. Vincent de Paul-June 30

Each year, the Pope asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. Please join the Pope in praying... **For migrants fleeing their homes** We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.



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