

St. Anselm Catholic Church

July 13, 2025

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Good Samaritan by Dan Burr

97 Shady Lane, PO Box 1061, Ross, CA 94957

Parish office phone: (415) 453-2342

Parish office hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00am--4:00pm

Parish email: Info@SaintAnselm.org

Parish website: www.SaintAnselm.org

Parish Facebook: www.facebook.com/SaintAnselmChurchRossCalifornia

Clergy:
Fr. Gabriel Wankar, Pastor
ext. 103; wankar.gabriel@sfsarch.org
Fr. Gabriel Achiaga -In Residence
Deacon Bernie O'Halloran
Deacon Ed Cunningham
Deacon Robert Meave

Admin Assist: Mark Wilson
AdminAssistant@saintanselm.org

Religious Education: Dan Veto D.R.E ext. 105
Dre@saintanselm.org

Director of Sacred Music: Open Position. See website -

St. Anselm School: Kim Orendorff, Principal
School Office: (415) 454-8667
School Fax: (415) 454-4730

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: 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

While this Sunday's Gospel could be understood as moral advice to help people in trouble and be kind to strangers, I believe it is about the transformative power of God's love and our need to receive it. Let's approach the Gospel in three stages.

I. Love's Radical Requirements – The Gospel opens with a discussion between Jesus and a scholar of the Law, who quotes the Shema, a summary of the Law known to every Jew. The word "all" occurs repeatedly, indicating that regarding love, the requirement is not to give what is reasonable or perhaps to give a tithe. No, the call is to provide God *with all* our heart, mind, being, and strength and to love our neighbor as our very self. By nature, love is open-ended and generous. A young man in love does not say to himself, "What is the cheapest gift I can get her for her birthday?" No, he sees an opportunity to show his love; he may even spend too much.

II. The Reductionism that Resists Love – After giving the beautiful answer about love, the scholar of the Law reverts to reduce the scope to something manageable: *But because he wished to justify himself, he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"* Perhaps he is willing to consider the people on his block his neighbors, but those two or three blocks away? That's just too much. To be fair, there is a lawyer in all of us, always negotiating for more favorable terms: Do I *have* to pray? How long? Do I *have* to give to the poor? How much? Why can't I do that? It's not so bad; besides, everyone else is doing it. Law and the flesh say, "What are the minimum requirements?" Love says, "What *more* can I do?"

III. The Response that Reflects Love – The Lord then paints a picture of what His love and grace can accomplish in someone in the parable of the Good Samaritan and, in conclusion, says to the lawyer, "*Go and do likewise.*" A key to the Samaritan man's actions is: "... [he] was moved with compassion" Note the use of the passive voice (*was moved*). It was not so much that the Samaritan *acted*, but that he was acted *upon*. The Greek verb used here is ἐσπλαγχνίσθη (*esplagchnisthe*), a third-person singular passive verb meaning "to be deeply moved" or "to be moved to compassion." The verb is also in the aorist tense, signifying that something has happened but also that it has a kind of ongoing dimension to it. In the New Covenant, the keeping of the Law is received, not achieved. Keeping the commandments and fulfilling the Law are the *results* of love, not the causes of it. In this story, the Samaritan was "moved" with and by love to overcome race, nationality, fear, and danger. In the week ahead, let us pray to be moved by the grace of love, which lightens every load and equips us for every good work.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	July 14	8:30am	Carrie Angela (INT)
Tues.	July 15	8:30am	Bobby Eberhart (D)
Wed.	July 16	8:30am	People of the Parish
Thur.	July 17	8:30am	Teresa Cunningham Gardener (D) Joe McGarry (D)
Fri.	July 18	8:30am	Christohper Allen Cook (D)
Sat.	July 19	5:00pm	Shirley Della Santina (D)
Sun.	July 20	8:00am	Anna Tobin (D)
		10:00am	Catherine Ward (D)
		5:00pm	Giovanni Innocenti (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, Gretchen Libby

For the Repose of the Soul: Pauline O'Brien-DeLury, Susan Catinella, Linda Biesheuvell, 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

The Pope's Monthly Intentions

July—For formation in discernment

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

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, **August 2** for wine and cheese.
- ♦ **Back to School Barbecue** after the 5:00pm Sunday Mass on **August 24**
- ♦ **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



Scan to make a One Time Donation

St. Anselm Church Stewardship

Visit church website to sign-up for Electronic Donations

Upcoming second collection on July 20
Building and Maintenance

2025 Annual Appeal: \$39,232 collected; goal of \$71,409

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

A Journey Through the Catechism 6: The Church: One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic (CCC, 748-865)

What is the definition of "Church"?

The word *church* translates a Greek word that means an assembly of people, in this case the people called by God to worship as an assembly. The Church is the people that belongs to God (cf. CCC, 751-752). "Church," of course, can also refer to the physical building in which Christian worship takes place. But for our purposes, the *Church* (capitalized) is the people gathered by God to be his own, the community that is made real as a Eucharistic assembly.

What are the origins of the Church?

The Church is born from the heart of Jesus Christ, for from the wounded side of Christ on the Cross there flowed out water and blood (cf. Jn 19:34) – the water of Baptism and the blood of the Holy Eucharist, the sacramental life of the Church. Just as from the side of the sleeping Adam did God bring forth Eve, so is the Church, the Bride of Christ, "born from the pierced heart of Christ hanging dead on the cross" (CCC, 766). Jesus gathers his little flock of Apostles and believers and sends them forth to the ends of the earth to proclaim the Good News (cf. Lk 12:32, CCC, 759-765).

What are some images of the Church from Scripture?

The Scriptures offer several images that help us to understand the nature of the Church:

The Church is the sheepfold, to which Christ alone grants access. Jesus is the good and faithful shepherd, the one who takes care of his sheep (cf. Ps 23), holding them close to his heart (cf. Is 40:11), searching out those that are lost (cf. Mt 18:12-14), and even going so far as to lay down his life for his flock (cf. Jn 10:11). As members of his sheepfold, we receive the blessings of Christ's wisdom, mercy, and pastoral care (cf. CCC, 754).

The Church is the cultivated field, the vineyard planted by God, where Christ is the vine and we are the branches (cf. Jn 15:5). In the Church we put down spiritual roots into the fertile and tilled soil that the Lord himself prepares for us. We have true and eternal life when we remain connected to Christ, the true vine. We rely upon his mercy and compassion to bring us back to life when we have sinned, grafting us back to the vine, the only source of everlasting life (cf. Rom 11:17, CCC, 755).

The Church is the building of God, with Christ himself as the foundation and as the very cornerstone once rejected by the builders (cf. Mt 21:42).

Guided by the Holy Spirit, the Church goes forth on its mission to make disciples of all nations, thereby building up the Kingdom of God here on earth, a kingdom that will be brought to perfection through great trials, until all are gathered together in the presence of God in the new and eternal Jerusalem (cf. CCC, 767-769).

Miann Builder

General Contractor and
Landscape Design
Home Remodels & Additions
MiannBuilds@gmail.com
www.miannbuilder.com
Lic # 1032978
415-827-1021



MICHAEL ROGGENBUCK &
ANN CARROLL ROGGENBUCK



Best in Marin- for Home Remodeling
Best In Marin- for Landscape Design
Small Business of the Year 2023

BELLO GARDENS



Assisted Living

Call for Tour

415-755-0087



MERIDIAN
COMMERCIAL
Real Estate

Steve Easley CA LIC# 00378205
17 E. Sir Francis Drake Blvd., Ste. 203
Larkspur, CA 94939
(415) 272-6147
steve@meridiancommercial.com



WindChime
of Marin

Memory Care Community

(415) 482-4100
www.windchimeofmarin.com



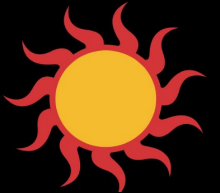
Come visit us Monday through Friday
9 AM to 3 PM
fleursmarin.com | @fleursmarin | (415) 785-3143

GOD BLESS OUR ADVERTISERS!

The merchants who advertise make our bulletin possible.



*When you patronize our advertisers,
please thank them for supporting our parish.*



Stefano's

Solar powered PIZZA

(415) 460-6330



St. Jude Children's
Research Hospital
Finding cures. Saving children.

stjude.org/givetoday



AlmaVia
OF SAN RAFAEL
ElderCareAlliance.org

Call for a personalized tour!

(415) 234-4890

Vibrant Assisted Living and Memory Care
Community in the Heart of Marin

RCFE Lic #: 216801868

FAITH • FAMILY • REAL ESTATE

Barbagelata Real Estate

Since 1952

BARB^{CO}

BARBAGELATA GROUP

- Marin
- San Francisco
- Sonoma



Elena Barbagelata | 415-706-1116

goldengateagent@gmail.com

Lic # 01215417

Call Me!



MONTE'S CHAPEL OF THE HILLS

FUNERAL HOME

FD#602

Family Owned & Locally Operated
since 1932.

We simplify the funeral, burial,
cremation and pre-planning process
to provide individualized services to
help keep you from overspending and
being overwhelmed.

415-453-8440

330 Red Hill Avenue
San Anselmo, CA 94960
monteschapelofthehills.com

To Advertise here, call

Mission Publications

888-253-4358

We accept



VALLEY MEMORIAL PARK
CEMETERY & FUNERAL HOME

Funeral Home • Cemetery • Crematory • Reception Center

All of your service needs in one
location. Respectful,
traditional, contemporary,
simple pre-arrangement
counseling and insurance
funding of future expenses.



Marin's most unique, locally-owned cemetery, funeral home with
a reception center and on-site crematory.

415.897.9609

valleymemorialpark.com • 650 Bugeia Lane • Novato, CA
COA#377 • FD#2295