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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

INDONESIAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY (UKI)

Sunday Mass: 2:00 p.m.

(Second & Fourth Sundays of the Month)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday through Friday: 8:15 a.m.

Saturday: 11:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By appointment - Course Required

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements 12 months in advance Marriage Course is required

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

MEDITATION GROUP

Meets in the Parish Hall Tuesday at 8:45 a.m.

PRAYER GROUP

Meets in the Griffin Room Thursday at 1:00 p.m.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 1:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. Tuesday - Friday: 9:00am - noon;

1:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.

St. Anselm's School

182 Bessborough Drive

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Mass for Intentions Week

Monday, December 3rd, 8:15 a.m.

For the Intentions of Jacob Quinn Bastiampillai Requested by the Family

Tuesday, December 4th, 8:15 a.m. Nicholas Lopatko Requested by Maria Lopatko & Family

Wednesday, December 5th, 8:15 a.m. Garnet Maley Requested by Eva Trace

Thursday, December 6th, 8:15 a.m. Lillian Blackwell Requested by the Family

Friday, December 7th, 8:15 a.m.For the Deceased Members of the CWL
Requested by the St. Anselm Women's Network

Saturday, December 8th, 11:30 a.m.
For the Deceased Members of the Brisbois Family



Last weekend, the parish collection was \$8,503, which includes a PAG amount of \$4,512. Thank you.

<u>CHECK IT OUT!</u> Our parish is now on TWITTER. Follow us @StAnselmChurch



ShareLife has released its annual Report to Donors, sharing the results of the 2018 campaign and demonstrating how your generosity is making a difference. Copies of the report are available in the Millwood lobby or can be read online at www.sharelife.org



For the sick who have asked for our prayers, especially Mary Hanna, Rachel Moxam, John Crescitelli and Sharon Batke, that the healing love and consolation of God may surround them

and bring them strength in their illness, we pray...

Don't Miss it!



ST. ANSELM'S ANNUAL CRAFT, BAKE AND VENDOR SALE is THIS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2nd. Stop by the parish hall from 9:30am to 1:00pm for sweet treats, handmade

crafts and a collection of unique items from a variety of talented vendors just in time for Christmas! Be sure to check out the White Elephant table, gourmet basket raffle and more!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY ACTIVITIES

St. Vincent de Paul's **Bundle Up Weekend**, is **THIS WEEKEND**, **December 1 & 2**. Gently used clothing, linens and small household items are needed. The truck is open in our parking lot before all Masses, and volunteers are nearby to assist with your donations. Thank you for your generosity!

The Angel Tree is now up in the Millwood Lobby. Those who wish to give a gift to a less fortunate child in our community are asked to take an angel, purchase a gift (suggested value of \$35) and return the gift unwrapped to the Angel Tree no later than **NEXT SUNDAY, December 9**th so that the elves are able to sort and deliver the gifts the following week.

The Family to Family program is also underway. Please see the sheets on the glass tables in the church to support a less fortunate family in our community. A cheque made payable to St. Vincent de Paul – St. Anselm's in the amount of \$50 per family member (IE: for a family of five, \$250) can be placed in the collection basket or returned to the church office along with the family information sheet on or before **December 9**th.

Please contact the office should you have any questions regarding these initiatives.

SAVE THE DATE!!



St. Anselm's Prefects invite your children ages 4-10 to the annual **Santa Claus Activity Day** on **Saturday, December 15**th in the parish hall. The fun begins at 9am and lunch will be provided! Registration is now open online – please visit www.stanselmprefects.com

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

68.5 million thank you's! On behalf of all those forced flee their homes, villages, or countries. our Development and Peace group wants to thank you for sharing the journey. We collected 167 signed actions cards last weekend and distributed 100 more to families and friends. The cards will be added to thousands of others from across the Archdiocese and delivered to the Prime Minister's Office. Stay tuned for more information on our parish walk in solidarity next spring! To continue to take action throughout the Share the Journey campaign, go to devp.org/campaign, email Sebastian: or snsbgomes@gmail.com

CELEBRATING BAPTISM IN COMMUNITY

Baptism is the sacrament that gives us entrance into the community of faith and is, along with Confirmation and First Eucharist, a Sacrament of Initiation. All sacraments are communal and contribute to building our relationship with the Lord. Because of the intimate nature of the sacraments of initiation, it is a real witness from and for the community of faith when both Baptism and Confirmation are celebrated within the midst of the Sunday Eucharist. Eucharist is the source and summit of our lives as Catholic Christians. It is from the table of the Word and the table of the Eucharist that we are sent forth to continue the work of Jesus in our lives. When we nurture the baptism of our infants, we are surrounding them with the prayers and good witness of our whole community. Along with each member of the community, we welcome new life into our midst and remember our own baptismal promises. We are fortunate here at St. Anselm parish'; we are able to celebrate Baptism within the Sunday Eucharist. Let us rejoice and be glad!



Getting Ready

The First Reading and the Gospel talk about a time when the Lord comes, for justice, as the First Reading says, and for judgment, as the Gospel implies. In the Gospel, Jesus warns people not to be overcome with the pleasures and anxieties of

the world but to be ready for his coming. Those who are not ready will practically die of fright when they see him. Well, then, what do we need to do to get ready? The Second Reading, in effect, explains it. At Christ's coming again, we are to be blameless in holiness. And what is that? If you are blameless under law, then no one can blame you for any violation of the law of the land. You weren't speeding, for example, or cheating on your income tax, or violating any other law of the city or country in which you are. If you are morally blameless, then no one can blame you for any violation of the moral law. You weren't lying, for example, or cheating on your spouse, or violating any other command of the universal moral law that applies to all people no matter where they are. But what is it to be blameless in holiness? The answer is in the Second Reading: in order to be ready for Christ at his coming, Christians need to increase in love and abound in it. So here's the thing to see. You can keep all the laws of your land and still be a real jerk. And the same truth holds for the moral law. You can be a priggishly righteous jerk too. Something more than having a great record for keeping the laws is necessary to be ready for the Lord. That more is love. If you want what is bad for your neighbour, if you curse him in public or even in your heart, if you wish he would just go away, if you tell him in your thoughts or to his face to go to take a long walk off a short pier-you do not love him. And you are blameworthy with regard to holiness if you don't. It doesn't matter how moral or legal your conduct is otherwise. To be blameless in holiness, then, takes being loving. And being loving is what makes us ready for the return of the Lord. All we can do is be prepared. One saint said that life should be lived in attentive expectancy, the way you wait by the phone for your child or spouse or doctor to call. You cannot make the call; you cannot make the phone ring. All you can do is be ready. And, as Hamlet said, "The readiness is all."

ST. MICHAEL'S CHOIR SCHOOL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT



Performances are December 9th at 3pm and December 10th at 7pm. Tickets are available at www.roythomsonhall.com or by calling 416-872-4255. information.

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