

# ST. ANSELM'S PARISH

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## PARISH STAFF

Fr. Thomas Moore, Pastor

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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

Toronto, Ontario M4G 4H5

416-393-5243

# Mass Intentions for Week

**Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Daniel Fitzgerald  
Requested by the O'Carroll Family

**Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

For the Deceased Members of the Aust Family

**Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

William Hayden  
Requested by Iseult Hayden & Family

**Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

For the Intentions of Andy and Rachel Oh  
Requested by Brian and Angela Oh & Family

**Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

**Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9:00 a.m.**

Bert Jordan  
Requested by Patrick Jordan



EcoAnselm is pleased to offer a Lenten Reflection Series for 2019, with a focus on key Catholic principles for caring for our common home. **The Series consists of five Monday evening sessions beginning Monday, March 11, from 7:00-8:30 p.m.** During each session, a 30-minute episode of CREATION (a Salt+Light Television production) will be screened, followed by large group discussion, and time for contemplation and prayer. Sign up will occur after Masses NEXT WEEKEND (March 2-3) and March 9-10. We hope you can join us in the parish hall for this Lenten series. A \$10 registration fee will be collected to cover the cost of refreshments.

**Confirmation candidates** – the fourth preparation session is next **Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>** in the parish hall. Please arrive by 9:45 am and be sure to check in.

## Come and See Weekend St. Augustine's Seminary

**Friday, March 15 (begins at 7:00 p.m.) to Sunday, March 17 (ends at 1:30 p.m.)**

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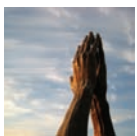
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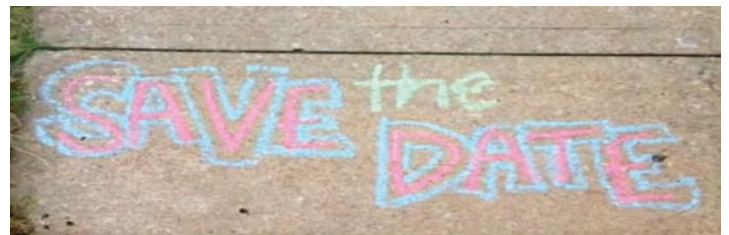
Last weekend, the parish collection was \$6,699, which includes a PAG amount of \$4,572.



For the sick who have asked for our prayers, especially Bishop Bob Kasun, Mary Hanna, Rachel Moxam, John Crescitelli, Mary Lou Watson and Sharon Batke, that the healing love and consolation of God may surround them and bring them strength in their illness, we pray...

## GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLES

Group "A" casseroles for the Good Shepherd will be due the weekend of March 16/17 which is part of the March Break. If you know that you will be away, please make arrangements to drop off your casserole to the parish office prior to that weekend.



**ST. ANSELM'S CHURCH**  
**PANCAKE DINNER**  
**Tuesday March 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:00 - 7:30 P.M.**

Tickets will be on sale after Masses March 2-3 **\$5/per person or \$20/family**  
If you would like to assist with the dinner, please call the parish office at 416-485-1792.

### **2018 TAX RECEIPTS**

Tax receipts for donations made in 2018 have been mailed out. Please check your envelope carefully – you will find a receipt from St. Anselm (including offertory, building fund, special collection and ShareLife donations made in the parish) as well as a letter from Fr. Moore. St. Vincent de Paul donations are receipted separately in the same envelope, issued by SVP. Family of Faith receipts will be issued and mailed from the Archdiocese of Toronto.

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** **BUNDLE UP WEEKEND – APRIL 6 & 7**

If you find yourself doing any spring cleaning during the March break, please remember our community members in need and set aside any gently used clothing or household linens. The truck will be in our parking lot on the weekend of **April 6/7**.

***Please note that this collection is specifically for clothing and linens. The truck cannot accept DVD's, kitchen appliances, furniture (broken or otherwise) etc. as the sorting facility was overrun with many unusable items after our Christmas bundle up weekend. THIS IS A CLOTHING/LINENS DRIVE ONLY. Thank you for your cooperation and generosity.***

### **CALLED TO DISCIPLESHIP**



Jesus' words on loving our enemies are found in both Luke's Sermon on the Plain and Matthew's Sermon on the Mount. This week's Gospel continues Luke's Sermon on the Plain that began last Sunday. It is certainly one of Jesus' more challenging and visionary teachings

and is actually relevant to everyday life, since we can interact with our enemies often. We are told to act lovingly towards those who antagonize us, perhaps in the hope that after repeated acts of love they will cease to be our enemies. It is hard to accept Jesus' teaching on love of enemies – we are much better at loving our friends. Yet the author of John tells us in no uncertain terms:

“I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.

Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.

By this everyone will know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another.”

Jesus issues us a challenge that does not put boundaries on loving each other. For Jesus, mutual

love identifies his disciples. We are called to love each other following the self-giving example of Jesus himself. Non-violence sits at the heart of Jesus' teaching. There can be no doubt that both Matthew and Luke understood it that way. Matthew, in his presentation of Jesus' teaching in the Sermon on the Mount, places the sayings about nonviolence and love of enemies as the climactic elements of the famous Beatitudes of Chapter Five. In his much shorter version of that sermon, Luke gives love of enemies an even higher profile; he places the mandates of enemy love and nonviolence immediately after the Beatitudes and Woes. Six verses later, Luke rounds off that passage by repeating the mandate. When Jesus of Nazareth commands nonviolence and love of enemies, he urges nothing less than the imitation of God. “...you will be children of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.” (Luke). But I say to you, love your enemies that you may be children of your heavenly Father, for he makes his sun rise on the bad and good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust.” (Matthew). In other words, be as inclusive in your benevolence as the Creator. Matthew summarizes this attitude as a matter of perfection—“Be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.” Luke records the more appealing version of the saying: “Be merciful just as your Father is merciful.” We are mandated to extend that mercy to all. Christian love of enemies, and consequent nonviolence, is not something we do simply by willing it; it springs from a relationship with God and the covenant community. Make no mistake: if we are disciples, we are called to love and non-violence. Mercy is a way of life. Questions to ponder: Both Matthew and Luke present the inaugural teaching of Jesus, making nonviolence and love of enemies central to that teaching. Can we imagine a world where non-violence and love are a way of life? Is it possible for Christians to truly follow this central teaching of our faith and actually witness to the teachings of Christ in our everyday lives? The questions are pertinent for us today. We are still struggling to implement this mandate to love our enemies. In just a few short weeks we will enter into the period of Lent. Is it possible that we might look at ways to incorporate these teachings into our everyday lives? Is it time for us to move away from the childish giving up of chocolates and wine and move into giving up gossip and intolerance – to begin the journey to truly follow Jesus' example? Would someone looking at us recognize that we are followers of Jesus by the love we show to one another? Once again, we have a chance to make changes in our lives. Are you ready? Let's go.



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