

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

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Mass for Intentions Week

Monday, March 18th, 8:15 a.m.

Richard Ryan
Requested by Theresa Ryan

Tuesday, March 19th, 8:15 a.m.

Mary Burke
Requested by Mary Gert McCollam

Wednesday, March 20th, 8:15 a.m.

Faithful Departed
Requested by Cerila Quitasol

Thursday, March 21st, 8:15 a.m.

Bill Poole
Requested by Theresa Ryan

Friday, March 22nd, 8:15 a.m.

Luis Escallon
Requested by the Family

Saturday, March 23rd, 11:30 a.m.

Lucy Torres
Requested by the Family

The next Senior/Friendship gathering will be on Friday, March 22nd at 1:00 p.m. in the parish hall. All are welcome to enjoy card games and conversation!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Please remember our community members in need while you are tidying your closet! Set aside any gently used clothing or household linens for the truck that 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.**

Share...Life!


Living the Gospel by supporting ShareLife agencies

"As we begin our ShareLife campaign, we are encouraged to live the Gospel in all we do. How do we demonstrate that in our community? Living the Gospel may mean helping single mothers to care for their newborn children, or being available to families facing difficulties, or welcoming refugee families to our community. For 43 years, countless individuals have experienced the compassionate care offered by our agencies. Please support our annual archdiocesan appeal during this Lenten season!"

— Cardinal Thomas Collins

March 31 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

DAY OF CONFESSIONS

 The Archdiocese has designated **March 31 - April 6** as the Lenten Week of Confessions. Most churches throughout the city will offer several times for Confession on a specific day. Please visit www.archtoronto.org for more information. At St. Anselm, the Day of Confessions will be on **Tuesday, April 2nd**. Confession times will be:

- 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.;
- 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. and
- 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

CHECK IT OUT! Our parish is now on **TWITTER. Follow us @StAnselmChurch**



PARISH SUPPORT

Last weekend, the parish collection was \$6,804, which includes a PAG amount of \$4,417.



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 are due **THIS WEEKEND, March 16/17**. Planning ahead...Group "B" casseroles will be due **April 20/21**, which is Easter weekend. Please arrange to drop off your frozen casserole to the parish office ahead of time if you will be away. Many thanks!



St. Anselm's Ecology Group
Encyclical Letter of the Holy Father Francis
Laudato Si'
 Chapter One

What is Happening to Our Common Home?

IV. Decline in the Quality of Human Life
 and the Breakdown of Society

47. Furthermore, when media and the digital world become omnipresent, their influence can stop people from learning how to live wisely, to think deeply, and to love generously. In this context, the great sages of the past run the risk of going unheard amid the noise and distractions of an information overload. Efforts need to be made to help these media become sources of new cultural progress for humanity and not a threat to our deepest riches. True wisdom, as the fruit of self-examination, dialogue, and generous encounter between persons, is not acquired by a mere accumulation of data which eventually leads to overload and confusion, a sort of mental pollution. Real relationships with others, with all the challenges they entail, now tend to be replaced by a type of internet communication which enables us to choose or eliminate relationships at whim, thus giving rise to a new type of contrived emotion which has more to do with devices and displays than with other people and with nature. Today's media do enable us to communicate and to share our knowledge and affections. Yet at times they also shield us from direct contact with the pain, the fears, and the joys of others and the complexity of their personal experiences. For this reason, we should be concerned that, alongside the exciting possibilities offered by these media, a deep and melancholic dissatisfaction with interpersonal relations, or a harmful sense of isolation, can also arise.

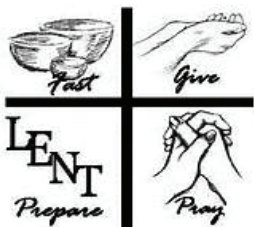
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THE SPEED BUMPS OF LENT



Every year, we face the same Lenten journey, walk the same way of the cross, listen to the same readings. When we begin the season with ashes, we fully plan to make *this* the Lent where we

pay attention to the conversion to which the church and the Gospel call us. We don't mean for

time to slip away — yet days fly by. We have the best intentions — and still we may arrive at Easter without the transformation we intended to have. Perhaps we need a few speed bumps on our path to shake us from our complacency and awaken us to the inner journey of Lent. We need to be jarred from everyday experiences. We need to open our eyes and see that we are not walking alone on *our* path but rather are on *God's* path, which is leading all to the reign of God. What will make us pay attention? What speed bump will help us hear God's words about Jesus that were spoken to the disciples: "Listen to him"? Like Peter, we have our own plans. We know where we want to pitch our tents and circle our wagons. We expect God to come right along. Listening to where God might call us to pitch those tents and set up shop is much harder. It requires willingness to change our hearts and break patterns of comfort and self-righteousness. It demands trusting Jesus on the journey. When it comes to changing our hearts, we each have a journey to make, one that includes soul-searching and personal examination. On Ash Wednesday, we heard Jesus' words giving us three good markers for how to reform our lives during this season: Give alms, pray and fast. We are all people in need of reconciliation and reform. As individuals and families, parish communities and neighbourhoods, as nations and as God's people, we must ask what speed bumps we prefer to avoid. What would we prefer to drive around rather than face being jarred into action? What will shake us from self-reliance and apathy so we might see our sisters and brothers on the path, strewn into the ruts and depressions, lost wandering along the way or trampled under our feet? We get complacent. We use distractions to buffer us. But, once again, we have this Lenten season to begin a new journey, to awaken us to what we ignore and neglect. Our Lenten journey can be dangerous. It can surprise us. We know it led Jesus to Calvary and the cross. But the journey can lead us to transform our lives and return our hearts to God. Or at least jar them with a speed bump or two.

*For the church, that we may listen with both our minds and hearts to God's Beloved Son and be transformed by his words...**Lord, hear our prayer.***

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