

# 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

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

**Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**  
Phyllis Rodrigues  
Requested by Sylvia Kovesfalvi & Colleagues

**Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**  
Ray Camiré  
Requested by the Family

**Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**  
Alina D'Addario  
Requested by the Family

**Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**  
Dermot Christopher  
Requested by Christina Christopher

**Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**  
Salvatore & Rosaria Buffa  
Requested by the Filippi Family

**Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 a.m.**  
Cecilia Buraglia  
Requested by the Escallon Family

**Celebrate Earth Day with a Movie Night!**  
Join fellow parishioners on Tuesday, April 23rd from 7-8:30pm for an exclusive screening and discussion of "Magisterium of the People", a 2018 Salt+Light Television documentary featuring Catholic activists who are creatively and courageously responding to the cries of the poor and of the earth in the Appalachian mountains. Film director and St. Anselm's parishioner Sebastian Gomes will facilitate the discussion. The event will take place in the Parish Hall below the church. **FREE** admission and light snacks will be served! Contact: [ecoanselm@gmail.com](mailto:ecoanselm@gmail.com)

**Share...Life!**  
Thank you for your generosity! The first ShareLife Sunday collection at St. Anselm totalled \$34,583.



**The Divine Mercy Novena  
For Peace and for Care of Creation**  
Please join EcoAnselm, the St. Anselm's Ecology Group in praying  
The Divine Mercy Novena  
For nine days beginning on Good Friday  
In preparation for the feast of  
The Divine Mercy, Sunday, April 28, 2019

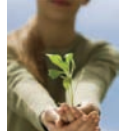


Last weekend, the parish collection was \$7,269, which includes a PAG amount of \$4,417.

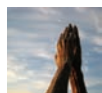
For a copy of The Divine Mercy Novena booklet email [sarahfilippi04@hotmail.com](mailto:sarahfilippi04@hotmail.com)

**BUNDLE UP COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND!**  
The St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Up truck is in the parking lot Saturday and Sunday to accept gently used clothing, shoes and household linens.

**THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!** National Volunteer Appreciation Week is April 7-13. We celebrate the many volunteers who contribute enthusiasm, energy and countless hours to create a culture of giving in our parish community. Our volunteers give their time, talents and experience to benefit our communities without expecting anything in return. We are grateful for our volunteers who dedicate their time serving others. Thank you all!

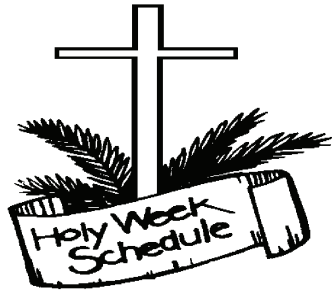


For the sick who have asked for our prayers, especially Bishop Bob Kasun, Mary Hanna, Rachel Moxam, John Crescitelli, Mary Lou Watson and Shirley Rouleau, that the healing love and consolation of God may surround them and bring them strength in their illness, we pray...



**Development and Peace – Walk with Us Today!**  
On Sunday April 7th at 2pm, Development and Peace, together with Catholics from the Archdiocese of Toronto are walking in solidarity with migrants across the world! Our walk begins at the main entrance of High Park (1873 Bloor Street) and ends at St. Cecilia's Church (161 Annette Street). It will be followed by a soup dinner reception at St. Cecilia's Parish Hall! Parishioners can go directly to High Park or join our group outside the main entrance of St. Anselm's at 12:45pm to travel together. See you there! Please contact Sebastian: [snsbgomes@gmail.com](mailto:snsbgomes@gmail.com)

**The spring Pilates session begins soon in the parish hall. Class space is limited. If interested, please inquire by emailing [balancedlifepilates@rogers.com](mailto:balancedlifepilates@rogers.com)**



**PALM SUNDAY**  
 Saturday, April 13  
 Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 14  
 Mass at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

**Monday through Wednesday**  
 Morning Mass at 8:15 a.m.

**HOLY THURSDAY**  
 April 18

Mass of the LORD'S SUPPER at 7:00 p.m.  
 (Church will be open from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.)

**GOOD FRIDAY**  
 April 19

**PASSION AND DEATH OF OUR LORD**  
 at 3:00 p.m.  
 (Church will be open at 12:00 noon, closing after Service)

**HOLY SATURDAY**  
 April 20

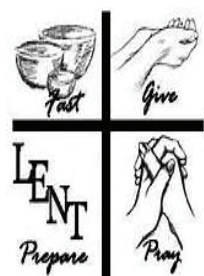
**RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD**  
**EASTER VIGIL MASS AT 7:00 p.m.**  
 (Church will open at 6:00 p.m., closing at the end of the Vigil)

**EASTER SUNDAY**  
 April 21

**MASS AT 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.**

Group "B" casseroles will be due April 20/21, which is Easter weekend.

### God's Love and Mercy



Powerful convictions and fierce emotions prompted the scribes and Pharisees to bring the adulterous woman to Jesus in today's Gospel story. They were convinced of her sin and were eager to use her dilemma to create one for Jesus. Nevertheless, their powerful

convictions and fierce emotions were dissipated by something that must have seemed even more compelling. Jesus' challenge to them concerning their own sinfulness combined with his writing on the ground turned the tide dramatically. For centuries, many have speculated on the precise subject of Jesus' writing or tracing. Saint Jerome proposed that Jesus was writing on the ground, in full view of all, the sins of the woman's accusers. Others have suggested that Jesus was taking a page out of Roman legal practice, in which the judge would first write down the sentence and then read it to the accused. Raymond E. Brown preferred to look to the scriptures for clues to Jesus' actions (*The Gospel of John*, Doubleday, New York: 1966). In the Book of Daniel (5:24), mysterious writing that appeared inexplicably on a wall interpreted the situation at hand. Did Jesus' writing do the same thing? Or did Jesus reference his ancestor Jeremiah (17:13), who claimed, "Those who turn away from you shall be written on the earth, for they have forsaken the Lord"? Perhaps Jesus was writing down the prescription against offering malicious witness stated in Exodus 23:1. While there is no way of knowing for certain what Jesus wrote, there is no doubt that he succeeded in calling everyone present to a change of heart; he was offering them a change of venue. For the woman's accusers, that change would lead them away from her and their thirst for vengeance to an inward consideration of their own sinfulness. When he was alone with the woman, Jesus pardoned her and sent her off to find a new way to live and love in God's presence. This same grace is given to all of us who humbly acknowledge our sins before God and before the community. A new life awaits; all we need to do is be willing to stand in the truth and be bathed in God's gentle mercies. This narrative draws us in and invites us to see ourselves in either the sinful woman or in the scribes and Pharisees — and to respond accordingly to the mercies of Jesus. Within this Gospel story, Jesus utters a sentence that sums up the Gospel and all of Lent. ***Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.*** This scene could refashion the whole earth. If we could each accept our own sinfulness as well as the forgiveness that surrounds it, we would have peace. We would drink compassion from God, who has been there all along, tracing in the sand. We stammer at last, "I believe, Lord. Help my unbelief." Amen.

*For a new beginning, that we may follow Christ upon a new Exodus, leading us from blindness to truth and from bondage to new life...Lord, in your mercy...*

**The Senior/Friendship Group will gather on Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in the parish hall.**

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