

# 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

Tuesday - Friday: 8:15 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 Week

**Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Jack Anglin

Requested by Lise Anglin

**Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Bill Poole

Requested by Barbara Laplante

**Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Jo Kostovcik

Requested by Mel Kostovcik

**Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 a.m.**

Dermot Christopher

Requested by Christina Christopher

**Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m.**

Francis Ford

Requested by Barbara Ford and Family

### SATURDAY MORNING MASSES

Weekday morning Masses are now celebrated **Tuesday – Friday at 8:15 a.m.** The Saturday morning Masses that were requested prior to the change in schedule will be honoured until the end of December. ***These Masses will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. on the following Saturdays:***

September 14	October 26
September 21	November 23
September 28	December 14
October 5	December 28
October 12	

### *Religious Education*

The Religious Education Programme resumes for registered students this week (**Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:55 a.m. and on Tuesday September 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**) Our Children's Liturgy will resume September 22<sup>nd</sup> during the 11:00 Mass. Thank you to our team of catechists and coordinator Yvonne Gray.

### **ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY**

Save the date! The next "Bundle Up" collection weekend is coming up on **November 2/3**. The truck will be in our parking lot to accept your donations of gently used clothing and linens. If you are clearing out your closets in preparation for the change of seasons, please remember our neighbours in need and set aside some items for the truck. Thank you!

*Bishop Bob Kasun (CSB, Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Toronto) would like to extend his heartfelt gratitude to our parish community for prayers offered during his illness and period of recovery.*

### 2020 ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS



#### Mass Intentions

The office will begin recording announced Mass intentions for **2020 (to be celebrated Tuesdays – Fridays at 8:15 a.m.)** on

**Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> on a first come, first served basis.** The procedure for requesting an announced Mass in 2020 remains the same as in 2019. To request an announced Mass, please:

a) visit the parish office, OR

b) use a green Mass intention envelope and place it in the collection basket during Mass.

***If you choose to do the latter, your date will be confirmed once the envelope and offering are received.*** For accounting purposes, we are unable to accept post-dated cheques. In the interest of fairness, holds of dates via phone or email cannot be accepted. This will remain our practice moving forward. Thank you for your cooperation.

*Help!*

If you have taken a box of donation envelopes bearing the number **153**, please either call the office to let us know, or write your name and address on the next few envelopes you use.

### ★ FIRST CONFESSIONS ★

### *First Communion*

An information/registration meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the church** for all parents of children in the parish who are preparing for the sacraments of First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Eucharist (Communion).

Should you have any questions about the meeting or about the sacraments, please call the office during the week at 416-485-1792.

### *CONFIRMATION* GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Young parishioners in Grade 7 (or older) who seek to be confirmed next spring are asked to attend (with their parents) an information/registration meeting on **Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the church.** Every effort should be made to attend this brief meeting as requirements for preparation will be outlined.

**GROUP "A" CASSEROLES will be collected on the weekend of September 21/22.**

**The St. Anselm Women's Network will meet on Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the parish hall. New members are always welcome!**

### **FEDERAL ELECTION DEBATE FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE**



A federal election will be held on Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019. To help educate Catholic voters through the lens of our faith, the Archdiocese of Toronto is hosting a debate from a Catholic perspective on **Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>** with candidates from the four major political parties.

Moderated by veteran political journalist Don Newman, this free ticketed event will be held at the John Bassett Theatre at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre with an audience of 1,000 guests. For information, election resources and to order your free tickets, visit: [www.archtoronto.org/election](http://www.archtoronto.org/election) - we hope you'll join us on October 3 as we educate, reflect and act leading up to the October 21 election.

### **RCIA**

Are you considering becoming Roman Catholic? The Rite of Catholic Initiation for Adults or RCIA is for you. The RCIA is designed for those who are thinking about or would like to be baptized and for those who have been baptized but not confirmed. It offers a communal process of preparation for those considering the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist) and the Reception into the Roman Catholic community. If you would like to know more, please call the parish office at 416-485-1792.

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

### **The Cost of Discipleship**



In today's Gospel, Jesus gives a clear call and instruction on "discipleship." Being a disciple is more than being a follower. We see instances in the Gospels of people who were followers of Jesus who turned away when they

were challenged to become disciples. Discipleship involves accepting and integrating into our lives the teachings and values of the one whose disciple we

become. In today's Gospel, Jesus lays out a clear challenge to his followers. To paraphrase: "You must not let any person in this world stand in the way of your following me." "Figure out what it is going to take for you to become my disciple. Don't be unprepared." And, finally, "Renounce any possessions that stand in the way of being my disciple." Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a German Lutheran pastor in the first half of the 20th century, wrote a book titled *The Cost of Discipleship*. Bonhoeffer himself knew that cost firsthand. As a disciple of Jesus, Bonhoeffer risked everything, including his life, in order to resist Hitler and the spread of Nazism. Bonhoeffer contrasted the cost of discipleship with what he called "cheap grace." Cheap grace implies that the believer wants to gain forgiveness without really being repentant, to be baptized without living the life of the church, to have Communion without really believing, and to be a disciple without accepting the cross. In other words, cheap grace means wanting to be a Christian without Jesus Christ! In contrast to "cheap grace," Bonhoeffer defines the costly grace of discipleship this way: "Costly grace confronts us as a gracious call to follow Jesus; it comes as a word of forgiveness to the broken spirit and the contrite heart. It is costly because it compels a person to submit to the yoke of Christ and follow him; it is grace because Jesus says: 'My yoke is easy and my burden is light.'" Bonhoeffer argues that as Christianity spread, the church became involved with the state, and secularization set in. The call to discipleship became exclusive to religious professionals such as monks and nuns. Ordinary Christians, even some clergy, saw their Christian life as a practice of keeping rules rather than submitting to the "yoke of Christ" in full discipleship. Today it is still as true as it was in the time of Jesus: Not all followers are disciples, but all followers are called to become disciples. When Jesus called his disciples to follow him, he was not enlisting part-time or seasonal volunteers; he was calling those who would be his own in total, unconditional and persevering commitment. This truth is borne out very clearly in today's Gospel. The invitation to discipleship was not only for the Twelve; it was for all of us then, now and into the future generations. Discipleship calls us to metanoia, a change of heart. Jesus is the centre of our lives and becomes our first love, before family and before self. This love will enable us to meet, accept and deal with the demands and challenges all those who are disciples must face. As we continue to work through the remaining Gospels according to Luke over the next few months, we will learn more about what it means to truly answer Jesus' call to discipleship. Once again, we are faced with the decision: are we ready to open our hearts and let Jesus lead us?



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