

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 for Week

Tuesday, October 1st, 8:15 a.m.

Alfreda Jarosz

Requested by Her Sisters

Wednesday, October 2nd, 8:15 a.m.

For the Deceased Members of the Buraglia & Escallon Families

Thursday, October 3rd, 8:15 a.m.

Jack and Maisie Mooney

Requested by the Family

Friday, October 4th, 8:15 a.m.

Rosette Dalla Corte

Requested by Jerry Dalla Corte

Saturday, October 5th, 9:00 a.m.

Bill Poole

Requested by Allan & Annamarie Sherlock

GROUP "B" casseroles for the Good Shepherd will be due October 19/20th.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

At the 11am Mass, parents with young children up to and including Grade 1 are welcome to take their children to the parish hall before Mass begins and leave them there for a children's liturgy. Children will no longer be formally dismissed from the assembly. This allows the catechists more time to prayerfully reflect with your children.

*** FIRST CONFESSIONS ***

First Communion

An information/registration meeting will be held this **Tuesday, October 1st 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.

The St. Anselm Women's Network will meet on Wednesday, October 2nd at 9:00 a.m. in the parish hall. New members are always welcome!

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 15th 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.

WANTED: Choir Members

The members of St. Anselm's Church choir would like to extend an invitation to the singers and instrumentalists in our congregation to join us for our celebration of Christmas liturgies. Our rehearsals are on Thursday evenings from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. We would also be happy to have you as permanent members if that is something you think you can embrace. We look forward to meeting new members. Please speak to our director, Goody Cabral after Mass on Saturday or Sunday. You can also email Goody at goodycabral@gmail.com

GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

We will be collecting non-perishable food items for the Good Shepherd Refuge in the Millwood lobby. The collection will begin **September 28th and conclude October 13th.** Please see the poster on the bulletin board for much needed items to stock their pantry ahead of winter. Thank you in advance for your generosity in supporting this annual drive.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

Save the date! The next "Bundle Up" collection weekend is coming up on **November 2/3.**

Don't Miss it!

The youth in our parish (Grade 7 and above) are invited to the first Prefects meeting of the new year. The Prefects (youth group at St. Anselm's Church) always welcome new members and have exciting events planned for the months ahead! **The first meeting will be held on Sunday, October 6th in the Griffin Room after the 11:00 a.m. Mass.**

SPECIAL COLLECTION NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA

This weekend, a second collection will be taken across all churches in the Archdiocese. Your gifts are used by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to represent Canadian Catholics in national and international pastoral activity. *Thank you for your support of this important work.*



As we move into the final week of our Season of Creation 2019, we thank all parishioners who participated in our first EcoAnselm Season of Creation Eco-Challenge. We hope your participation in any part of the Eco-Challenge helped you to realize that each small change we make individually makes a big difference collectively in saving our common earth and the intricate web of life that depends on it for survival. We pray that the new habits you have begun during the SoC will continue. EcoAnselm thanks Fr. Moore for his support & spiritual leadership in our ministry of stewardship.

Feast of Creation

St. Basil's Church (50 St. Joseph St.)
Oct. 4, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. "Feast of Creation" is an Ecumenical Celebration organized by the Archdiocese of Toronto, The Native People's Mission, Mary Ward Centre and Global Catholic Climate Movement-Canada. Please join us in celebrating with diverse faiths - united in caring for our common home. The celebration begins with an ecumenical prayer service; we will then have the chance to mingle, enjoy vegan & vegetarian treats and visit various displays including one from our own EcoAnselm.

*Are you interested in receiving notices of upcoming eco events and eco news at St. Anselm's Church?
 If so, please email sarahfilippi04@hotmail.com*

STEWARDSHIP AND PARISH LIFE **The Importance of Prayer**

The foundation of every parish community can and must be prayer. Prayer is the building block that binds us together with the Lord, with each other and with ourselves. Every Sunday, we profess The Apostles Creed. Within that prayer of the Church, we profess our belief in the communion of saints. Along with all the angels and saints, we offer praise and glory to God and continue to express our gratitude for all that God has given to us. Prayer is our communication with a God who is loving and merciful and listens to us. Remember to listen, in the silence of our hearts, for what God wants to say. In our own lives, a daily practice of prayer is a commitment that can increase our own relationship with God and enrich our parish community with the foundation of prayer.

The Call to Discipleship **John 1:47-51**



Today's Gospel comes to us from Galilee as Jesus continues to gather together his disciples in the early days of his ministry. Philip has just agreed to follow Jesus and invites Nathanael to meet "Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael's remark is very telling – "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" In order for Nathanael to see why Philip was so excited and willing to follow Jesus, he was going to have to overcome his own bias and prejudice against someone coming from such a sleepy, small town out in the provinces. Philip simply invites his friend to "Come and See." As Nathanael approaches, Jesus says, "Here is truly an Israelite, in whom there is no deceit." There aren't too many who received this kind of compliment from Jesus in the Gospels. Nathanael is a good and faithful person suffering from a biased and prejudiced opinion because of his culture and experience. To come and meet Jesus, he needs to step over his doubts and suspicion, his prejudice and bias and he is open enough to do so. Nathanael is puzzled. "Where did you get to know me?" (*I've never seen you and this is my first time meeting you.*) Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you." Jesus is showing himself to Nathanael, as someone who is bigger than his own skepticism, prejudice and bias. Then Nathanael declares, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel." Nathanael's response is more than a statement. It is actually his faith confession. Upon meeting Jesus face to face and experiencing him, Nathanael confesses, — "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel." As believers, we too are called to follow Jesus. How do our prejudices and biases prevent us from truly living out our baptismal promises? Can we answer the call to step over those things that separate us from the path to follow Jesus? We are called to take the same first steps that mark Nathanael's journey. We are called to work for the Kingdom of God here and now, to create a place where all people are valued regardless of race, colour or creed. The concept of discipleship in the Gospel of John is to recognize who Jesus is just as Nathanael recognized Jesus as the Son of God. As we recognize Jesus as the Son of God, our discipleship is also about recognizing all who come from the Nazareths in our world.

A Disciples Prayer

Jesus, you call to my heart once more. "Leave anything that holds you back from deeper love. Come follow me, again and again." Grant me the courage to leave behind whatever keeps me from you and to trust you with my life. May my heart's connection with you be so strong and true that I will daily risk the road of following in your footsteps. Keep me open to the adventure of life where I meet you day by day. Remind me often of my inner goodness. Help me to believe that you look upon me with love. Thank you for the call to be your disciple. Amen. (taken from out of the ordinary: Joyce Rupp)

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