

ST. ANSELM'S PARISH

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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

Please call for appointment.

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.

FALL OFFICE HOURS

By appointment.

St. Anselm's School

182 Bessborough Drive
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Mass Intentions for Week

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

Yolanda Zezza

Requested by Daniela Tixi and Family

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

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Requested by Daniela Tixi and Family

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

Deceased Members of the Aust Family

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

Ray Camiré

Requested by the Family

WE'RE HERE TO HELP

The parish office remains closed for walk-in service; however, appointments are always available. Please call us at 416-485-1792 or email us at office@stanselmschurch.com. Voicemail and email are checked on a regular basis.



First Reconciliation and First Eucharist

Please submit your enrollment forms for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist (for 2022) if you have yet to do so. Materials will be ordered for registered children in the coming days. Parents will be contacted to pick up materials shortly.

Sacrament of Confirmation

For those who are **currently in Grade 7**, a program that can be completed remotely will be available as soon as it is ready. **All those interested should watch future bulletins for enrollment information.** A copy of your baptism certificate will be required so you may wish to find that ahead of time and keep it handy. This program will be available to all in Grade 7 (or older) who attend St. Anselm's parish in normal times.

In-person parish preparation has been suspended for the time being. Candidates currently in Grade 7 or older who wish to enroll this year will use the preparation resources and prepare at home with the help of parents and catechists.

Help!

We have a request from a family in need of a small table (to rest a laptop on) and chair for a child learning from home. If you can help, please call the parish office.

October 22-24, 2021

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Website: wwme.org

2022 ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Announced Masses are celebrated at St. Anselm's Tuesday-Friday at 8:15 am. Please contact the parish office if you would like to request Mass intentions on specific days. The offering for a Mass intention remains \$20 (by cash or cheque).

Upcoming second collections:

World Mission Sunday – October 24th

ShareLife Sunday – October 31st

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October 31 is the next ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously during the special collection or anytime at sharelife.org.

Isa 53:10-11
Psalm 33

Heb 4:14-16
Mark 10:35-45

TRUE DISCIPLESHIP



Mark's Gospel never goes easy on the disciples. It does not portray them as a college of teachers who even Mary the Mother of God would have found awesome. Instead, Mark displays their pettiness, their often stubborn lack of

understanding and their vacillation in the face of challenges. They are more like us than we would care to admit.

In today's incident, James and John's approach to Jesus is reminiscent of 10-year-olds trying to manipulate their parents: "Will you do us a big favor?" Like anyone who has watched family or communal life, Jesus is too smart to answer yes or no. So he asks them a trick question: "What is it that you wish me to do for you?" "What a question! How would you answer it? There you are, facing Jesus, the Son of God, the one who heals the sick and calms storms, and he's asking, "What do you want me to do for you?" Without their realizing it, Jesus had put to them the ultimate question of their lives. And innocently sincere as they were, they said, "What we want most is to look good next to you!" Of course, Jesus responded honestly, and perhaps with some compassionate exasperation: "You do not know what you are asking."

Three times already, Jesus had tried to get the disciples to see that his vocation of service was going to involve suffering and death, that he wasn't going to look like a hero or even a wise man. Three times, the disciples had dodged that message. This time, John and James did it with the request for public acclaim. Indeed, what they wanted from Jesus was not his to give. Jesus knew that what he did have to give was not what they wanted; he was aware of how rarely he or they would be honored for humble service. They were ambitious to occupy a place he never sought while they maintained a blissful ignorance about the baptism and cup he saw in his future.

Jesus refused to dwell on the brothers' attempt to one-up the rest of the group or their readiness to displace Peter as they set themselves up for an

intra-family clash over the number-one spot. Instead, Jesus addressed the whole group, repeating one of his most cherished themes: The least are the greatest; to be Godlike is to serve. True to his Jewish roots, Jesus was restating the prophetic message about God's faithful servant, whose life witnesses to God's will to save both the oppressed and the oppressor.

Today's readings touch the very core of the good news of salvation. First, in highlighting the disciples' misguided ambition, Mark reminds us that the church is always susceptible to the temptation to use religion as a ladder to power or social status — and that such climbing is always a perversion of our vocation to serve. Isaiah's presentation of the suffering servant invites us to remember that God's ways are not our ways and to strive to recognize the suffering servants in our midst and learn God's ways from them. Hebrews follows Isaiah's teaching about how real power, the power of transformation, expresses itself through weakness rather than in strength. It reminds us that it was Christ's passing through death that made him the high priest who returned as the guarantor of mercy. Most of all, this selection from Hebrews insists that humility is the pathway to the grace that will give us all the strength we need for whatever our day asks of us. Each of these messages offers a vantage point on the good news of salvation. Together, they keep us aware that God's ways among us are not always what we would expect, and often not what we would at first desire. Nevertheless, God's surprising grace active in our midst works transformations that we will eventually recognize, in the words of Paul, as far more than we could have asked or imagined.

For the Church, that we may be open to God's invitations to greater discipleship... We pray...

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