

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 for Intentions Week

Tuesday, October 25th, 8:15 a.m.

Betty Stokes

Requested by the Family

Wednesday, October 26th, 8:15 a.m.

Deceased Members of the Aust Family

Thursday, October 27th, 8:15 a.m.

Joan Melchers

Requested by the Family

Friday, October 28th, 8:15 a.m.

Fernando Filippi

Requested by the Family



Families who live in the St. Anselm parish community are invited to an information/enrollment evening for the sacrament of Confirmation in the church. This meeting will take place on **Wednesday, October 26th at 7:00pm** and is meant for candidates AND parents.

The responsibility of sacramental preparation lies with your home parish. Should you reside outside St. Anselm's parish boundaries or attend Sunday Mass at another church, you are asked to contact the parish office for assistance at 416-485-1792.

COME AND SEE WEEKEND RETREAT

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Retreat for men 18 years and older at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, November 18 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, November 20 (2 p.m.). This retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. We encourage you to promote this event in your parishes during your announcements as well as including this event in your respective parish bulletins. It would be greatly appreciated. We have also attached a poster and ask that you kindly display it on your respective bulletin boards. Thank you in advance for your assistance as we work together to build a culture of vocations. Registration must be done online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee. For more information, please email: vocations@archtoronto.org

you're
INVITED

to a celebration reception
being hosted by the
St. Anselm's Resettlement Ministry
together with the Attar family.

The reception will be held
in our PARISH HALL on
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30th
immediately following the
11:00 A.M. MASS.

Please join in this
opportunity to connect
with other parishioners
and with the Attar family.
ALL ARE WELCOME

Estate Planning **for the Caribbean Community**

Are you Caribbean or of Caribbean descent? If so, join us for this **FREE** special event at the historic St. Paul's Basilica in Toronto, on **Saturday, October 29th, 2022**. Come and learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions around burials and cremation. This day offers lots more!

To register or receive further information, send us an email to: development@archtoronto.org or call us at 416-934-3400 ext. 561/519 with the following information:

Full Name
Parish

Municipal Elections 2022 – Cast Your Vote!

A municipal election will be held on **Monday, October 24, 2022**. All Catholics are strongly encouraged to exercise their democratic right to vote.

*We are grateful for your ongoing support of your parish. **Our offertory and building funds are crucial to daily operations.** You can enrol in our parish pre-authorized giving (PAG) program or make a secure one-time or recurring donation online by visiting [ADoT Parish - Toronto East Donation Form - Archdiocese of Toronto \(archtoronto.org\)](#) and choosing "St. Anselm" from the drop-down menu of parishes. Cheques may be mailed or dropped off in the parish office mailbox at any time. Thank you for your support!*

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY – October 23

There will be a second collection today for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. Thank you for your support of this important work.

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Sir 35:12-14, 16-18

Psalm 34

2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18

Luke 18:9-14

Mindsets in Prayer



Today's Lucan reading reinforces the concept of biblical faith revolving around relationships. Scholars remind us that the historical Jesus constantly used parables in his ministry because he was interested not in conveying new information to his

listeners, but in helping them to retool their minds, to completely transform the way they processed all information. In many ways, a parable tells us, "You can't get there from here." In other words, "Because of the way you've been approaching reality you'll never

experience God present and working in your lives. You've got to acquire a new mindset to experience God's kingdom."

In today's case of the Pharisee and the tax collector, to the amazement of many in Jesus' audience, only the latter has the frame of mind God wishes us to have. The sinner alone "returns home justified," meaning, having done what God wishes us to do. The Pharisee, concerned only with keeping rules and regulations, simply doesn't relate to Yahweh as Yahweh expects him to relate. Though he can boast, "I am not like the rest of humanity — greedy, dishonest, adulterous — or even like this tax collector," his faith isn't biblical faith. His claim on justification revolves around fasting twice a week and paying tithes on his whole income; things every good Jew should do, not because they're two of the Mosaic laws, but because that's what someone does who relates to a loving, giving God.

In many ways, the tax collector is religiously trapped. Working for the Roman army of occupation, he's not only a traitor to his country and his people; he's sinning in ways that leave him little wiggle room. He lives and works in a sinful environment. There's a reason he "stood off at a distance." As a public sinner, he's not even allowed to enter the temple proper. He's probably forced to pray in the Court of the Gentiles, an area reserved for non-Jews.

Like all good parables, this one *completely destroys* the listeners' presuppositions. The Pharisee — the super law-abiding Jew — is criticized for doing what most Jews believe is God's will; while the tax collector — the sinner — is put forth as someone to be imitated. I have no doubt many in Jesus' audience came home that evening and declared, "Now I'm really confused." The tax collector had only his humility and trust in God. In the end, that counted for everything. He was in right relationship with God because he wanted and needed God to be God. He couldn't save himself and he knew better than to try. Franciscan Fr. Richard Rohr could well be describing the tax collector's stance when he says, "To finally surrender ourselves to healing we have to have three spaces opened up within us — and all at the same time: our opinionated head, our closed-down heart, and our defensive and defended body" (*Breathing Under Water*, St. Anthony Messenger Press, 2011).

The example of the tax collector is there for all of us, especially the "religious ones" with our self-congratulatory attitudes. Perhaps if we can learn to say the words with the tax collector, we can begin to pick up on his graced mindset as well. Let us pray: "O God, be merciful to me, a sinner."

*For the grace of humility, that we may come before God honestly, surrendering our pride and recognizing our dependence on God's love and mercy... **We pray...***

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