

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, November 15th, 8:15 a.m.

Jim Teskey

Requested by Theresa Ryan

Wednesday, November 16th, 8:15 a.m.

Nora Ryan

Requested by Theresa Ryan

Thursday, November 17th, 8:15 a.m.

John and Rosa Paglialunga

Requested by the Family

Friday, November 18th, 8:15 a.m.

Cecilia Buraglia

Requested by Ines Escallon and Family

2023 SUNDAY MISSALS

2023 Sunday Missals will be available for \$5 each on a first-come basis in the Millwood lobby before all Masses on November 19/20 and November 26/27. Exact change of \$5 per Missal would be appreciated.



November is the month of the Holy Souls. Our Book of Remembrance is available to inscribe the names of deceased loved ones.



EcoAnselm

EcoAnselm will be offering two Speaker Events related to Healing and Reconciliation with our Indigenous Brothers and Sisters. Part I, "CALL TO FAITH" will be held on **Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:00pm** in the church. Please join us for this opportunity to hear a first-hand account of the recent journey of Metis, Inuit and First Nations delegates to the Vatican and their transformational encounter with Pope Francis. The MacNaughton church doors will be open by 6:45pm. Part II, "CALL TO ACTION" will follow in early 2023.

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ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY CHRISTMAS 2022

Please watch for information regarding our St. Vincent de Paul Christmas activities, coming next week.

This year, our parish will be supporting the **Angel Tree and Family to Family** programs. More information to follow...

SHEPHERDS' TRUST COLLECTION

There will be a collection for The Shepherds' Trust this weekend. The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Thank you for your support of this important work.

GOOD SHEPHERD CASSEROLES

Group "A" casseroles for the Good Shepherd Refuge Provide-A-Meal program will be collected **NEXT Saturday, November 19th** from 4:00-5:00pm in the church parking lot. Thank you to our casserole chefs and volunteers for your continued efforts to support this important parish ministry!

Should you wish to join the casserole program, please let us know. We provide the pan and simple recipe, and you produce 6 nutritious casseroles (one every other month) that will

feed TEN hungry individuals each! Please call 416-485-1792 or email yvonne.gray@bell.net

Malachi 4:1-2 **Psalm 98:5-6, 7-8, 9**
2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 **Luke 21:5-19**

Seeking God's Wisdom



Even today, in the 21st century, there are some who, claiming to be prophets, look to this Gospel and other similar apocalyptic narratives as a timetable by which to predict the end of time, and who interpret those signs that supposedly signal its appearance. Even today,

some followers of Jesus use such texts as a "literary bludgeon" to frighten the faithful into submission or to instill in them a fear that might result in their conversion and repentance. However, if the genre of apocalyptic literature is to be correctly appreciated and understood, all of the events described in this Lucan apocalypse have already become the stuff of memory.

By the time the third Gospel appeared in written form in the mid - to late 80s, the temple in all its beauty was no more. It had been destroyed by Titus and his troops in 70, and not one stone stood upon another. Gone, too, was the temple liturgy. Only the synagogues survived as places of prayer. It was in these gathering places that the first followers of Jesus tried to preach in his name the good news of salvation. For their efforts, they were officially expelled.

Handed over to the civil authorities, many died during the persecution under Nero in the 60s; more were perishing at the order of Domitian in the 80s. In the midst of all these struggles, imposters were purporting to be the messiah whose return in glory they awaited. Yet each in turn was proven to be false, and some followers of Jesus had begun to wonder if and when he would ever return.

To allay their fears, bolster their hope and strengthen their resistance, the Lucan evangelist reminded his readers of the promise of Jesus that was ever-present. He urged them to look at Jesus in whom the presence of the eternal God took on flesh and a face that looks with love on those who struggle. Don't be terrified, said Jesus. Don't follow

false leaders. Look upon the persecution you will surely suffer for my sake as an opportunity to give testimony. Scholars suggest that the advice of the Lucan Jesus could also be translated as: "You will be called upon to act in a way that witnesses to your fidelity to me" or "to what you really are." If that opportunity becomes ours, Jesus has promised to give us wisdom in speaking so that our adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute.

Jesus' promise encourages purity of spirit and integrity in his disciples. Disciples do not testify to Jesus with their lips and then live in a manner that contradicts their testimony. To do so is to live a lie that serves no one — not Jesus, not the Gospel, not the community or even oneself. Jesus has promised that his gift of wisdom will be available to those who are willing to witness to him in truth even when that truthfulness might result in persecution. We, for our part, are to welcome his gift of wisdom, to continue looking first and foremost to God for every good grace, and then to roll with the punches and the pain until he comes again to take us home.

For the grace of perseverance, that God may strengthen and sustain us in remaining faithful in our discipleship in times of trial and distress...

For the relatives and friends of all in this parish community who have died, that they may be feasting together at the table of God's heavenly banquet...

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