

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

Saturdays 4:00-4:30 p.m.

MEDITATION GROUP

Meets in the Parish Hall Tuesday at 8:45 a.m.

PRAYER GROUP

Meets in the Griffin Room Thursday at 2:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – noon;

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

St. Anselm's School

182 Bessborough Drive

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Mass  for Intentions Week

Tuesday, October 29th, 8:15 a.m.

John Ware

Requested by the Brown Family

Wednesday, October 30th, 8:15 a.m.

John Ware

Requested by Vicki Garnett

Thursday, October 31st, 8:15 a.m.

For the Deceased Members of the Aust Family

Friday, November 1st, 8:15 a.m.

Salvatore & Rosaria Buffa

Requested by the Family

URGENT APPEAL FOR SUPPORT AND PRAYERS FOR LEBANON

With the support of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), Aid to the Church in Need Canada (ACN), Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) Canada, and Development and Peace — Caritas Canada (DPCC) are launching an appeal for prayers and generosity to support the most urgent needs of people in Lebanon, following the bombardments in the country that have already claimed hundreds of innocent lives.

For more details and to make a donation online, please visit <https://www.cccb.ca/media-release/urgent-appeal-for-support-in-lebanon-joint-call-for-help-and-prayers>

To send support through the parish, please use a yellow "Humanitarian Relief" envelope which can be found on the glass tables at the entrances to the church. Please make cheques payable to "St Anselm – Humanitarian Relief" and write "Lebanon" in the memo line. Your prayers and support are greatly appreciated.

FALL BOOK CLUB WITH FR. TOM



Open to all parishioners, Fr. Tom's book club is back! We will be discussing "The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie" by Muriel Spark.

Meeting dates will be Thursdays, November 14th and 21st from 10:00-11:00am.

If you are interested in participating, please email office@stanselmchurch.com or call 416-485-1792 to let us know.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD 11:00am

Children in the parish who are currently in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 1 are invited to join in a new year of our volunteer-led Children's Liturgy of the Word at the beginning of the 11:00 Mass.

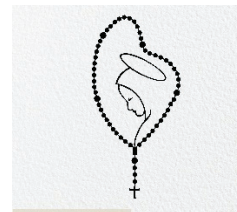


"⁴There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. ⁵There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. ⁶There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. ⁷Now to each one, the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good." *1 Corinthians 12:4-7*

ALL AREAS OF MINISTRY at Saint Anselm are asked to discern ways in which to enhance their eco-mindfulness when hosting or purchasing for parish meetings or events. May each of our choices reflect faith-based eco-care and a desire to heed the cries of the earth for the sake of 'the common good'.

Reshaping the Church: The Vision of Pope Francis for a Changing World. In this FREE webinar, Dr. Michael W. Higgins will present his book: 'The Jesuit Disruptor: A Personal Portrait of Pope Francis' and discuss how the leadership of Francis, the first Jesuit pope, is "reshaping the Church and our world" through "standing as a credible moral voice on the most pressing issues, from immigration and economic inequality to the climate crisis and political division". Offered on OCT. 31st at 7:00 P.M. Registrants will have access to a recording. caninfo@jesuits.org (Jesuits of Canada)

Rosary Apostolate



We may feel overwhelmed by world events and the issues we personally encounter, the increased cost of living, wars and the threat of more wars. We are also experiencing an increase in natural disasters and a political climate in different parts of the world that seem to divide us as opposed to bringing people together. The Rosary is always there to remind us of what really matters: our faith in Christ. Its gentle repetition also helps to calm us, to take the edge off and to lead us to what is good.

Jer 31:7-9

Psalm 126

*The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.*

LET ME SEE!

Heb 5:1-6

Mark 10:46-52



The story is told of a poor farmer whose horse was killed by a passing truck. His neighbours lamented his loss, but he said, "We'll see." The driver of the truck settled generously with the farmer, and with the money he bought a much better, younger

horse. His neighbours rejoiced at his good fortune, but the farmer said, "We'll see." Sometime later his son took the horse out for a night ride, fell off and broke his leg. The farmer's neighbours consoled him, but he said, "We'll see." The following week, the country went to war and all the young men were called up to serve, but the farmer's son was excused because of his injury. The lesson of this folk tale is that events can have both good and bad effects. It all depends. And one seemingly unlucky outcome can result in something good, or visa versa. This can also be the challenge for us when we pray. Do we know what is truly good for us? If we always got what we asked for, would this really be for our long term benefit? Every outcome has its own costs and benefits. The person who succeeds runs the risk of pride, which is his downfall, while the person who fails learns patience and humility and this enables her to succeed. The handsome boy or beautiful girl win automatic approval and get an automatic pass while the ordinary child must work hard to achieve a goal. Character is shaped by both opportunity and adversity. Only in hindsight do we know what was really good or bad for us. In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the blind man a question we might all ask ourselves, "What do you want God to do for you?" Just what do you want? What is the most important prayer you could pray or should be praying for even now? The blind beggar sat every day along the side of the main thoroughfare, wrapped in his cloak, listening to passing crowds and crying out for alms. He was a familiar fixture as the town blind

man and, perhaps, earns enough income to survive. All this changed the day Jesus came to town. Something moved the man to cry out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me." He addressed Jesus with a messianic title, as Savior, and despite the rebuke from the crowd to be quiet, he cried out all the louder. Jesus called him over and then the crowd was eager to present him to Jesus, who asked, "What do you want me to do for you?" It is a blank check, wide open, sky's the limit opportunity. The man's reply was immediate and specific. "Master, I want to see." A blessing or a challenge? We'll see. At the end of the day, he was no longer a blind beggar but a sighted man with no source of income. He was no longer on the sidelines, but on the road and following Jesus to Jerusalem, where the Master's fate would be shared by his followers. Surely a blessing, but not without cost.

Jesus is asking us every day what we want? Grace surrounds our every decision and action. The challenge of the Christian life is to pray boldly and specifically for what we think we want and need. Through hardship and good fortune, setback and advantage, one thing is certain: God, who knows and loves us, will be with us every step of the way. The journey will join our wants to God's will, stage by stage, until what God wants for us is exactly what we need most and want for ourselves. Bartimaeus, named in the Gospels, is remembered these 2,000 years later for his courage to ask to see. Though he disappears from the story, his witness to every generation of believers, including ours, is this: Don't be afraid to pray his prayer. Ask to see. Enter reality with clarity and insight; know life's priorities and values; always go forward. God's life will be a lamp unto your feet, one step at a time, guiding you through every trial and storm to glory.

*We are grateful for your ongoing support of your parish. **The offertory and building funds are crucial to daily operations.** You can enrol in our parish pre-authorized giving program or make secure one-time/recurring donations by visiting <https://stanselmsto.archtoronto.org> and clicking on "Donate" to support the parish offertory fund on a regular basis, even when you can't attend in-person. Boxed donation envelopes are also available upon request. Thank you for your support.*

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