

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, February 4th, 8:15 a.m.

For the Deceased Members of the Murphy Family
Requested by Theresa Ryan

Wednesday, February 5th, 8:15 a.m.

Ida Rosa Fogal
Requested by the Pliska Family

Thursday, February 6th 8:15 a.m.

Ann Brisbois
Requested by Joe & Toni Brisbois

Friday, February 7th, 8:15 a.m.

Ann Curran
Requested by Steve & Cathy Carter



PARKING - NEIGHBOURING STREET

As a public service announcement, please be reminded that cars without proper permits displayed are subject to receiving violation tickets and fines from the Parking Authority.

We are fortunate to have a parking lot just north of the church, as well weekend use of the school yard and street parking on all four streets surrounding the church for our parishioners attending Mass.

Street parking is permitted on the west side of MacNaughton Rd., the south side of Millwood Rd., the east side of Bessborough Dr. and both sides of Field Ave.

Parking is not permitted (in accordance with posted signs) on the EAST side of MacNaughton Rd. Though lenient in the past, Parking Authority has come out on several occasions and will continue to do so at the request of residents who are unable to safely back out of their driveways when cars line both sides of the narrow road.

We ask that everyone please arrive in enough time to obey the signage, and to show courtesy to avoid any ill will from our neighbours.

2024 TAX RECEIPTS

2024 tax receipts are now being processed. Donations made by cash or cheque through the parish, as well as PAG donations made by automatic monthly debit will be received in the mail on or before Monday February 10th (assuming Canada Post is on time). St. Vincent de Paul donations and donations made through our website or QR code by credit card will receive separate receipts. If you have any questions about what donations are included in your receipt, please call the parish office. ***Please keep an eye out for your receipt and keep it in a safe place until tax time.***



EcoAnselm

“The Holy Father Francis wants the coming Jubilee Year 2025 to be lived as a year of hope ...” In his pastoral letter on this year of Jubilee, Pope Francis uses the inspiring theme, “Pilgrims of Hope”. Francis reminds us that pilgrimage is “a fundamental element of every Jubilee event”. The Vatican News explains that pilgrimage is “traditionally associated with the human quest for the meaning of life”. Throughout this Jubilee Year, each of us is invited to become a “pilgrim of hope”. This is an uplifting, challenging and empowering framework. Using our own gifts and talents we can each answer the call of Francis to be a “pilgrim of hope” - in our own lives and in the lives of others. Discern ways in which you can sow seeds of hope within your own home and on behalf of our common home. <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2024-05/pope-proclaims-jubilee-may-hope-fill-our-days.html>

If ever you are feeling overwhelmed in your efforts to care for our common home, taking a moment to reflect on our parish-wide ministry-commitments, displayed on the EcoWall in the Millwood entrance, will remind you that you are not alone – you are part of a parish-community who joins you in caring for creation and in praying for peace.

BOOK CLUB FOR LENT WITH FR. TOM

Our next book club meetings will take place on **Thursday, March 27 and Thursday, April 3 at 10am.** The book being discussed is “Small Things Like These” by Claire Keegan. All are welcome to join. Please call or email the parish office if you intend to participate.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in April 2025 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service.

Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422 for details on available space and pricing.

Malachi 3:1-4

Psalm: 24

Hebrews 2:10-11, 13b-18 Luke 2:22-40

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION



First observed in the Eastern church as “The Encounter” or “The Meeting,” the feast of the Presentation began to be observed in the West in the sixth century. As its liturgy developed, the feast was celebrated devoutly, with solemn

blessings and processions and with candles to honour Jesus as “a light for revelation to the Gentiles.” This feast also marked the required purification of Mary after she had given birth. When Luke included this event in his infancy narrative, he had specific reasons for doing so. Luke wished his readers to appreciate the fact that Jesus grew up in a family who faithfully observed the law. No fewer than five times within 18 verses, Luke affirmed that the actions of Jesus’ parents were required by law. Even though Jesus would later dispute certain interpretations of his tradition, his position was not that of an outsider. Being nurtured carefully in his tradition helped prepare him to recognize and call out the hollow practices of others. This first appearance of Jesus in the temple also served to fulfill certain prophecies, like that of Malachi in today’s first reading. Upon his appearance, the Lord would bring purification so that the sacrifices offered by the sons of Levi would be authentic and pleasing to God. When Jesus, Son of God and son of Mary and Joseph, came to the temple, his presence lent purity, his words offered light and life, and, in the end, his once-and-for-all perfect sacrifice would result in the redemption of all of humankind. Jesus is described by the author of Hebrews in today’s second reading as a merciful and faithful high priest who became like his brothers and sisters in every way in order to expiate their sins. Something of the salvific character of Jesus’ mission is also referenced by Simeon in today’s Gospel. Up to this point, the narrative has reflected the joy of new parents and their child, happily observing the rituals of the law they loved. But then Simeon interjects an ominous note. Only at great cost would Jesus carry out the purpose for which he was born. Both he and his mother would know suffering — but that suffering, as Anna the prophetess would affirm, would bring about the redemption of Jerusalem while offering the light of salvation to the gentiles.

As we celebrate this feast let us present ourselves to God as Jesus did. Offering all we are, all we have and all we will become, let us, like Jesus, be willing to go forth from this place determined to be a source of light and healing in an often dark, broken world. Let us grow strong and wise, knowing that the favour of God rests upon us.

Anointing of the Sick – February 8th

As we approach the World Day of the Sick on February 11th, the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be offered next Saturday, February 8th during the 5.00 pm Mass. When this sacrament is celebrated within our celebration of the Sacrament of Eucharist, all church laws and practice must be followed, just as we do when we celebrate Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist. Those who are suffering from serious illness, preparing for serious surgery and the elderly who are slowly experiencing health issues are most welcome to participate in this celebration of the Anointing of the Sick. When we come face to face with our own mortality, we can experience great anxiety. The Anointing of the Sick can be a moment of grace, insight and growth as it unites us to Christ, who brings strength, consolation and hope. Jesus teaches us to embrace God’s desires and reminds us that our Father is always loving and faithful.

Please note: A person at the point of death may also be anointed in preparation for the journey home to God. Please call the office to make arrangements.

For all who are sick, that God may bring healing and renewal to them in mind, body and spirit...We pray...

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE – FEB. 2

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated on Sunday, **February 2nd**. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God’s gift of their vocation.

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