

ST. ANSELM'S PARISH

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - Friday: 8:15 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – noon;
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.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.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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Mass for Intentions Week

Tuesday, November 11th, 8:15 a.m.

In Thanksgiving

Requested by Jean Freeman

Wednesday, November 12th, 8:15 a.m.

Deceased Members of the Binetti and D'Alessandro Families

Requested by the Binetti Family

Thursday, November 13th, 8:15 a.m.

For the Intentions of Fr. Cory Piccinino

Requested by Mary Gert McCollam

Friday, November 14th, 8:15 a.m.

Charles & Angeline Rizzo

Requested by Luci Rizzo & Marc de Bellefeuille

GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE CASSEROLES GROUP A & B

Group A casseroles will be collected next **Saturday, November 15th from 4-5pm** in the church parking lot. For more information, please call the parish office or email Yvonne at Yvonne.gray@bell.net

WANTED: Choir Members

The members of St. Anselm's Church choir would like to extend an invitation to the singers and instrumentalists in our congregation to join us for our celebration of Christmas liturgies. Our rehearsals are on Thursday evenings from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. We would also be happy to have you as permanent members if that is something you think you can embrace. We look forward to meeting new members. Please speak to our director, Goody Cabral after Mass on Saturday or Sunday. You can also email Goody at goodycabral@gmail.com

ANGEL FOUNDATION FOR LEARNING – SEEKING DONATIONS

The upcoming Angel Foundation for Learning Gala on November 28th supports Toronto children with nutrition programs, essentials for learning and more.

As the official charity of the Toronto Catholic District School Board, they are looking for new Silent Auction donations such as cookware, experiences & gift cards.

For more information, please call or email Marguerite Thomson 416-209-1574

Marguerite.thomson@gmail.com.

FALL BOOK CLUB WITH FR. TOM

Our book club for fall will meet on Thursdays, **November 20th and 27th** to discuss "Black Robe" by Brian Moore. All are welcome – please let the office know by phone or email if you plan to join Fr. Tom.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY – BUNDLE UP AT ST. ANSELM NOVEMBER 8 - 9

The truck is here in our lot **THIS WEEKEND** to collect gently used clothing, shoes, household linens and textiles. For a full list of what can and cannot be accepted, please see the bulletin board in the Millwood lobby. Thank you for your generosity!



EcoAnselm

TUES. NOV. 11th is Remembrance Day, a day which has become "a symbol of HOPE FOR LASTING PEACE". A RED POPPY is the iconic symbol of the courage and sacrifice of ALL who fought to protect the freedom we enjoy in Canada. With that freedom comes the responsibility to safeguard our hard-won freedom – including protecting the planet for future generations. The Royal Canadian Legion, reports that between 22 and 25 million poppies are distributed across Canada each year. In 2022, the RCL introduced biodegradable poppies. They "have the same look but are less damaging to the environment." The transition toward the greener poppy reflects the shift away from single-use plastics in CANADA. "We really wanted to reduce our environmental footprint and create a way for people to remember and also know that when they're wearing the iconic symbol, whether in [2025], or saving it for use next year, or disposing of it respectfully, that it will be biodegradable." Digital poppies can also be bought online for use in your email signature. Our Vets continue to protect us! Let's join their resistance to single-use plastics across Canada. www.cbc.ca/news/canada/winds-or-royal-canadian-legion-biodegradable-poppies-remembrance-day-1.6638143 (updated Nov 01,2023) <https://veterans.gc.ca/en/remembrance>

GOOD SHEPHERD REFUGE FALLWISH LIST

Help the Good Shepherd Refuge this fall with much needed items. See the entrance of the church for a list, such as clothing, dormitory, hygiene, meals, and medicine items. Please drop off your donations in the bin at the Millwood entrance. Thank you for supporting the Good Shepherd!

Ezek 47:1-2, 8-9 Ps 46

1 Cor 3:9-11, 16-17 John 2:13-22

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica



Today, we celebrate the oldest and first-ranked of Rome's four great basilicas. Saint John was surnamed "Lateran" because it stands on the site of the palace of the family of the Laterani. During his reign as

emperor, Constantine gave the palace and its lands to the Church in 311 CE. A Church council was first held at the Lateran in 313 CE. A papal residence until the scandal of Avignon, Saint John is considered the cathedral of Rome and the mother Church of Christendom. From the twelfth century, this day, Nov. 9, has been observed as the anniversary of its dedication. Through the centuries, the Lateran has been damaged by earthquakes, attacked by Vandals, attacked by the Saracens and destroyed by fire. After each event, the Lateran was rebuilt and refurbished. Visitors to the Lateran will see the hexagonal baptistry, which was the only one in all of Rome for quite some time. Visitors will appreciate the solemnity with which Baptism was celebrated in the early Church. This fact brings us to the reason why we celebrate one of Christendom's most beautiful and venerated churches—not because of its triumphal arches and colonnades, not because of its majestic canopy over the altar or its famed mosaics. We celebrate not the place alone but the baptized believers whose presence makes that beautiful space holy. By virtue of their faith, which drew them together to offer praise and thanksgiving to God, the places where the early believers met were sanctified. Remembering the words of Jesus... "where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in their midst" (Matt 18:20), they came together in grassy places, on river banks and in their homes to be, to learn and to pray. In times of persecution, the early believers met in the catacombs and even that place where the dead were buried became holy by virtue of their prayer in the presence of Jesus. Three centuries before the first church building was erected, Paul impressed upon his converts in Corinth that they were "God's building" the foundation being Jesus Christ. Because of the presence of the Spirit within them, that building has

become a holy place, a temple. Paul's words challenge us to consider how well we have preserved the sanctity of our own temple. Ordinarily, people enter temples to be in the presence of God. Do people sense the presence of God within us? Does our way of life reflect the fact that the very Spirit of God dwells within us, inspires us, animates and directs us? Do we treat our bodies with the reverence due a living temple of God? Similarly, do we respect and revere our brothers and sisters who are also dwelling places of our good and gracious God? We all share the same foundation and the same Spirit has taken up residence in each of us, whether we call God Adonai or Allah or the Father of us all. If our behaviours are less than worthy of our spiritual status as living temples of God, perhaps we might take a page from Jesus' book and allow ourselves to be purified and rededicated to God. In today's gospel, we watch as Jesus drives out those whose actions were unworthy of Jerusalem's holy temple. We listen as Jesus answers the Jews' request for a sign that would validate his words and actions. "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up," he declared. Later, after the temple of his body was desecrated on the cross and after he rose glorious from death, the disciples remembered his words and believed in him. We, who continue to believe in Jesus, are responsible for being holy places where others will find God. But we are also Church, a community of believers who are to offer collective witness to the world, a witness of integrity, justice, mercy and love. Ours is to be the voice that speaks out for what is right, defends the rights and dignity of the poor and disadvantaged and prays to God for guidance and grace. Therefore, as we celebrate the Mother Church of all Christendom, let us remember that the Church, with Jesus Christ as head united with all the members of His body, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, the light of the world and the place where all are to be welcomed as God's beloved sons and daughters.

*We are grateful for your ongoing support of your parish. **The offertory and building funds are crucial to daily operations.***

Do you currently use weekly envelopes? We ask that you please consider enrolling in our parish pre-authorized giving (PAG) program or sign up to recurring monthly donations through our secure online portal by visiting <https://stanselmsto.archtoronto.org> and clicking on "Donate." You would support the parish offertory fund on a **regular** basis, even when you can't attend in-person. This switch would also help to reduce cost and paper waste created by boxed envelopes.

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