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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, March 3rd, 8:15 a.m.

Ted Krawchuk

Requested by Ken & Lorraine Ware

Wednesday, March 4th, 8:15 a.m.

Thursday, March 5th, 8:15 a.m.

Friday, March 6th, 8:15 a.m.

Jack Malheiro

Requested by the Family

Through ShareLife, you bring hope to those who need it most

David is a senior who faced overwhelming loss and uncertainty. His wife passed away, his health declined, and he felt forgotten. But in his deepest sorrow, he found hope. When he turned to his pastor, he was guided to Catholic Family Services of Toronto, a Catholic Charities agency you support through ShareLife where he was welcomed with open arms. Because of your kindness, David found the support he needed to heal, regain stability, and rediscover his sense of purpose.

But unfortunately, there are many more like him—seniors facing isolation, families struggling to put food on the table, refugees trying to rebuild their lives, and young parents fighting for a brighter future. Through ShareLife, you help over 40 Catholic agencies bring hope to those who need it most.

The first ShareLife Sunday collection is on **March 22**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

SAVE THE DATE!
SPRING “BUNDLE UP WEEKEND” IS
AROUND THE CORNER!

Mark your calendars – the St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Up collection is coming up April 11 & 12. The truck will be in our parking lot that weekend to accept gently used clothing, outerwear, footwear and textiles such as sheets and towels. More information to follow in the coming weeks.



LENT is a time for PRAYER, FASTING and ALMSGIVING. It is an ideal opportunity to focus our PRAYERS for those who have been most significantly impacted by the climate crisis yet have fewer resources to cope with extreme climate outcomes. Lent offers an ideal opportunity to reflect on the gifts of Creation, the intersection of faith-teaching and environmental stewardship, and to repent for any carelessness or indifference we may have indulged against our “Common Home” (Pope Francis). Lent is a time of FASTING. Fast from single-use plastics, avoid idling our cars, reduce our intake of meat, eliminate unnecessary food waste, conserve our use of water (for example - avoid running precious water down the drain unnecessarily while showering or brushing our teeth). Lent is a time of ALMSGIVING. This is the perfect time to “turn caring into ACTION” (Pope Leo) by supporting any foodbank or shelter endeavoring to protect persons experiencing homelessness – especially on these severely cold nights! Learn more: <https://greenerlent.org/> (AND/OR) catholicclimatecovenant.org/resources/season-of-lent-2026/ (AND/OR) <https://laudatosimovement.org/lent/>



Support St. Anselm's Parish

Please consider supporting the parish by making a one-time or monthly donation. Simply scan this QR code with your phone to contribute.

Tax receipts for one-time or monthly donations will be issued.



Thank you for supporting our parish!

 **SCAN ME**

IMPORTANT! 2025 TAX RECEIPTS

Charitable tax receipts for donations made to St. Anselm's through the offertory basket (envelopes) and through pre-authorized monthly DEBIT are printed and mailed through a vendor used by nearly 200 parishes in the Archdiocese of Toronto. The information is reconciled and prepared in our parish office, then sent electronically through the vendor's portal to be sent out by them.

While we sent our information according to their timeline and the information was received, we learned on Tuesday that the file had, for some reason, missed being processed by the vendor. This means that, while we were told and, in turn shared, that receipts should have been received by mid-February, this is not possible as the receipts are just now being printed and will be mailed next week. PLEASE keep your eye out for your receipt which will be on its way to you shortly. Should you require your total 2025 amount, please call the parish office and we will be happy to provide it to you.



**Gen 12:1-4 Psalm 93
2 Tim 1:8-10 Matt 17:1-9**

TRANSFORMING OUR HEARTS...

Most of us approach the annual season of Lent with a number of expectations. Having the advantage of knowing "the rest of the story," we know that we will conclude this six-week journey with a celebration of Jesus alive, risen, victorious and glorious. During these weeks we will remember our ancestors in the faith and share in their struggles to respond to God. On this Sunday, we will remember Abram, whose encounters with God changed not only his address but the entire course of his life. We will recall Paul, whose life was forever changed because of his encounter with Jesus on the Damascus road. Transformed by grace, Paul the persecutor became Paul the proclaimer of the good news. That transformation brought great joy but also great suffering into his life. Nevertheless, with strength from God, Paul persevered. We will also recall the sufferings of Jesus, as well as the love of God that prompted Jesus' actions. And at Lent's conclusion, we will remember Jesus' ultimate act of love. Jesus died, offering himself to his torturers and then to his executioners; his was the once-and-for-all perfect sacrifice offered for the salvation of sinners. All through these weeks of remembrance and celebration, we will be reminded that this great gift is ours to take in by faith. Who would not be grateful for such a blessing? Today's feast of Jesus' transfiguration in glory gives us even greater cause to be grateful because we, like Peter, James and John, are living out

our lives in the presence of the glorious Christ. Jesus suffered and died but once; he is, therefore, now and forever, the risen Lord, transfigured in glory. Each time we gather for liturgy, it is the transfigured Jesus whom we meet. In every sacramental experience, in every proclamation of the word, wherever two or three come together in his name, in every breath of the Spirit, it is the transfigured and glorified Christ whom we encounter and with whom we communicate. Each of these encounters with the transfigured Lord is an opportunity for believers to respond to God with a willingness to be similarly transformed. With every Lenten prayer, with every act of penance, with every attempt at reconciliation with God and with others, the love of the glorious Jesus calls forth in us goodness and grace that have the potential to change us for the better. Like Peter, we will realize the gift that Jesus gives and declare, "Lord, it is good for us to be here!" But, from every luminous and transformative moment in our lives, we are to go forth and allow the grace that has been extended to us to work through us for others. These moments of glory empower us to be agents of change. Therefore, when the poor and needy look to us for help, we might also be moved to say, "Lord, it is good for us to be here." When voiceless victims of injustice call for our attention, where dishonesty abounds, where greed prevents sharing and caring, these become moments during which we might transform the circumstance of others. Lord, it is good that we are here to be your ears and your voice, your hands, your heart.

Did You Know...The Homily...*It is through the homily - the reflection offered by the priest or deacon following the Gospel - that we are meant to reinterpret our lives in the light of the Scripture we have just heard. The homily nurtures our Christian lives, bringing together some aspect of the Scripture readings with the day-to-day needs of God's people. A successful homily is measured by its real impact on people when they leave the church and return to their everyday lives. The homily invites and challenges us to look at our world differently, to take our faith with us wherever we go, to live out what we believe in our actions and to push ourselves to be better people of faith. This week, listen to the proclamation of the Word and homily as you reflect on God's presence and what that means in your life. Next Week - The Profession of Faith.*

(Only if there is room...)

Lent is a season of almsgiving. Jesus taught us that what we do for the poor we do for him. We pray for those who are hungry...for those without shelter...for those who are dying for lack of medical care...for those without the opportunity to learn...for those who live with violence...and for generous hearts and creative minds that we might do our part to alleviate poverty...**Lord, in your mercy...Hear our prayer.**

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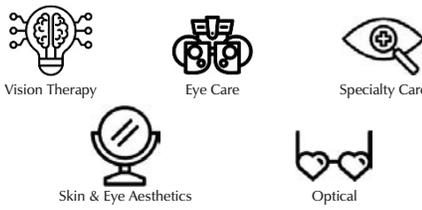
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