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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 7, 2021



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WEDDINGS: Those who become engaged are requested to reach out to a parish priest at least six (6) months before the desired wedding date.

Please also reach out to Deacon Warner for information about our Pre-Cana program around the same time.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are celebrated every Sunday following the Noon Mass, approximately at 1:00 PM. Parents are requested to call the Parish Center and speak with Deacon Warner or one of our parish priests who can assist them in registering their child for the Sacrament of Baptism. Deacon Warner can schedule the Pre-Jordan Baptism Program with the parents of the child at the time of registration.

Any questions or concerns about the Sacrament? Reach out to Father Rossi or Deacon Warner, thank you!

< MASS SCHEDULE >

Weekend

Saturday Vigil 4:30 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 Noon

Weekday

Monday thru Friday 8:30 AM

Saturday 8:00 AM

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday 3:30 - 4:15 PM

PARISH CENTER HOURS

Monday & Wednesday 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 AM – 7:00 PM

Friday 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Masks are mandatory & hand sanitizer is available in the office.

If you have an emergency and need a priest, please call
1-610-938-1372

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ –

Today we celebrate the Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time, and also we commemorate Saint Blaise whose feast day was this past Wednesday, February 3rd. Due to the Pandemic, and the concern of our Archdiocese for the safety of clergy and laity alike, we will be adapting the Blessing through the Intercession of Saint Blaise. As the directives from the Bishops Conference state: *“If, for pastoral reasons, each individual cannot be blessed in the manner described in no. 1627, for example when great numbers are gathered for the blessing or when the memorial of Saint Blaise occurs on a Sunday, a priest or deacon may give the blessing to all assembled by extending hands, without the crossed candles, over the people while saying the prayer of blessing.”* No Eucharistic Ministers will be asked to assist with the blessings this year. At all Masses this weekend, including those participating from home via livestream, the blessing will occur following the Prayer after Communion but before the final blessing of Mass. Father Large and I are always concerned for your safety and the well-being of all who attend Mass here at St. Anselm. Since we are on the subject of modifying liturgical practices here at St. Anselm, regarding the distribution of blessed ashes at the beginning of Lent on February 17th – the Archdiocese has directed pastors to decide which manner ashes shall be given out this year during pandemic. Due to concerns of our clergy members and also out of concern for all those coming forward, we priests and the deacon will distribute Ashes using a modified form – the Prayer shall be said only once, not for each person coming forwards – “Remember you are dust and unto dust you shall return”, then the ashes sprinkled with Holy Water, then using an ‘instrument’ similar to a Q-tip we shall place ashes on the foreheads of those coming forward. We modify the old way so to ensure both we and you are safe and we do not say more than necessary when standing close together. Thanks for your understanding of both of these necessary liturgical celebrations so that we all can stay healthy and safe!

Appropriately this weekend, our Gospel centers again on the healing work of Jesus. Jesus leaves His house of worship, the synagogue, and enters the world to heal Simon’s mother-in-law and to heal many others - *“for this purpose I have come into the world”*. Christ calls each of us, after we leave our house of worship to go out into the world and preach without words – with our own actions to spread the work of Christ. Our Lord’s great purpose is fulfilled outside the synagogue walls – in places where the lepers and the lame, the sick and the possessed can come to him. He goes out to meet them where they are – and they go to meet our Savior to discover His love and mercy. What Jesus did 2,000 years ago in ancient Palestine can still be done today.

The great work of Christianity happens in our homes, on our street corners, in the markets of today. It unfolds in places of work and in soup kitchens, in shelters and in our school classrooms. It’s made manifest around the dining room table, within those places of meeting and encountering those who still need to hear His message.

When we gather here as one family within these four walls it is, of course, invaluable to our hearts and lives. Here, we gather to become a community, to worship and to receive the Eucharist and to hear the Gospel message proclaimed. But this is only the beginning. Out there, on the other side of our doors, is where it lives, and grows, and spreads. Even through a pandemic and in the middle of a social crisis, we are called to spread the Word of God’s healing love to a world that still needs to hear it. Let us never forget how important our personal adjective “Christian” is to defining who we are and what we are to do as His disciples.

God bless you all!

+ Father Rossi

Mass Schedule

Sunday, February 7

8:00 AM The People of Saint Anselm Parish
10:00 AM Margaret Barr r/b Dan Mason
12:00 PM Michael McKee
r/b Anthony & Linda Corrado & Family

Monday, February 8

8:30 AM Anne Kurtz r/b Vince & Elaine Hollister

Tuesday, February 9

8:30 AM Margaret Barr
r/b Tom & Florence O'Rourke

Wednesday, February 10

8:30 AM Daniel Iatarola r/b Diane Leonetti

Thursday, February 11

8:30 AM Gary Sottnick r/b Bob & Julia McManus

Friday, February 12

8:30 AM Richard Sarnese r/b Cunningham Family

Saturday, February 13

8:00 AM Francis X. Druding r/b Marie Druding
4:30 PM Billy Hughes, 12th Anniversary
r/b Marie & Ed Hughes

Sunday, February 14

8:00 AM Carmella Milillo r/b Lisa LeVan & Family
10:00 AM Mary Leonard r/b Megan Kennedy
12:00 PM Jane Kirk r/b Cunningham Family

Pray For Our Sick...



Jerry Austin, Richard Bryan, Margaret & Ralph Citrino, Mary Clark, Megan Clifford, Helen Coe, Lisa Costello, Geraldine & James Dines, Donnie DiStefano, Kimberly Doering, Destiny Dowd, Baby Everly Durham, David, Mary & Eric Elitz, Alice Greiss, Vince Grillo, John Fritz, Mark Hansel, Dr. Michael Harkins, Terri Hart, Tim Hill, Richard Himes, Mary Lou Hogan, Glen Kaiser, Jean Kronbar, Joseph Kronbar, Joel Laskey, Regina Long, Tony McAniff, William McCracken, Marlene McDermott, Kathy McDowell, Staci McFadden, Joan McReynolds, Tony Maher, Cecilia & Richard Mallon, Mary & Peter Marcolina, Carol Masterson, Anna Meredith, Peggy Moran, John Murphy, Susan Ortlip, Anna Palermo, Joe Pellecchia, Sally Park, Mario Ragazzone, Virginia Richards, Danny Rodriguez, Steve Ruczynski, Jerry Russ, Janet Segaline, Kristy Seiger, Agnes Smith, Robert Snyder, Sr., Tommy Stride, Connie Tolchin, Joseph Verrello, Anna Mae Weber, Jack & Sophie Weber, Dorothy Wizimirski, John Zemek

Pray For Our Deceased...



Alice Austin, mother of Donna Owens
Linda DiTondo, daughter of Betty Ryan
Hedwig Miller, mother of Steven Miller
Marie Tepper, mother of Marie Lynch

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, February 7

9:00 AM SCRIP Sales – Parish Center
...until 12:30 PM

Monday, February 8

7:00 PM Al Anon Meeting – Spirituality Ctr.
7:00 PM Legion of Mary Mtg. – Spirituality Ctr.

Tuesday, February 9

9:00 AM SCRIP Sales – Parish Center
6:30 PM Finance Committee Mtg. – Parish Center
7:00 PM Prayer Group – Spirituality Center
7:00 PM CYO Board Meeting – Room A

Wednesday, February 10

6:30 PM St. Vincent DePaul Meeting
...Spirituality Center

Thursday, February 11

6:00 PM SCRIP Sales until 7:00 PM
7:00 PM Boy Scouts – Parish Hall

Friday, February 12

Saturday, February 13

4:00 PM SCRIP Sales until 5:30 PM

You may honor someone of your choice by requesting a sanctuary candle or altar bread and wine for each week of the year in the person's name. We ask for \$25.00 each. Please make arrangements at the Parish Center Monday thru Friday.

Due to the inclement weather, the collection figures for January 31, 2021 will be published next Sunday.

Second Collection Today

Building Improvement

Second Collection – February 14, 2021

Care of Aging Priests

Vincentian Message...

In the Gospel today, we find that Jesus would rise very early before dawn and go to a deserted place to pray and then he went out to preach and to heal.

Please pray for the poor and suffering, knowing that you are bringing the love and peace of Jesus to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.

SCHOOL/CHURCH VOLUNTEERS

While we are grateful for your service, it is necessary for you to have your background checks and clearances up-to-date. If your clearances have expired, or you haven't completed the program, you cannot remain in ministry until updated clearances and checks are submitted to the parish by February 16th. For questions or concerns, please call 215-637-3525, ext. 16 or email Kathy.zaremski@verizon.net

BRICK CAMPAIGN

Due to the many requests we've recently had about the bricks in our Prayer Garden, we will take new orders for bricks beginning Tuesday, February 16th thru Friday, April 16th. This will be our LAST campaign for 2021. The cost of the brick is \$50.00. You must complete an order form indicating the inscription you desire. The forms are available at the Parish Center.

Milillo's Saint Anselm Take-Out Thursdays

Family Meals are available each week. Meal menus are posted weekly. Orders must be placed by noon on Thursdays (please specify hot or cold pick-up). Pick-up between 2 PM – 6 PM at the Fountain Room. Please mention Saint Anselm and our parish will receive 10% of your purchase. To order, email: info@mililloeventgroup.com or call 215-676-3596. Thank you for your support of our local businesses and Saint Anselm Parish!

GIVING HOPE TO ALL

2021 Catholic Charities Appeal

This weekend, we launch the 2021 Catholic Charities Appeal. The Catholic Charities Appeal is the single largest fundraising initiative each year.

“The Catholic Charities Appeal (CCA) of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia is our single largest fundraising initiative each year. Through this Appeal, we support over 180 separate charities that bring hope to every community in our diocese. Each neighborhood and street in our region is impacted positively by it and the Appeal needs you now more than ever before. In the face of ongoing uncertainty, CCA gives hope and provides essential social services like meals for families, diapers for mothers, emergency rent assistance, and countless other modes of assistance. The work supported by the Appeal is vital. It changes and saves lives each day. Please help in any way you can.”

-Most Reverend Nelson J. Perez
Archbishop of Philadelphia

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries offers

Post-Abortion Healing Retreat

March 5 – 7, 2021

Are you suffering from the wound of abortion? A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a non-judgmental, safe, loving, and confidential environment. Come experience the mercy and compassion of God by attending the upcoming retreat. The experience will give you hope for your future and freedom from pain within your heart and soul. For information, please call Georgeann, 484-955-4278 or Susan, 610-716-4795. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Notice for Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers...

Ministers, if you are able to assist the priest with the distribution of the Eucharist on Ash Wednesday, February 17th, please indicate your availability on the sign-up sheet in the Sacristy. Ushers, if you can assist at the Masses, please indicate your availability on the sign-up sheet on the table at the main entrance of Church. Thank you.

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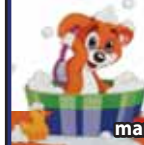
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