

The Anselmeter

December 27, 2020

St. Anselm Parish



THE HOLY FAMILY

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.
- Lk 2:40

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Tragedy and disappointment are inevitable. What sees you through this? There will be challenges, changes, unexpected circumstances, interrupted plans, hurts, and injustices experienced by every human being at some point in their lives. We will be asked to adjust our plans, change course, and even encounter suffering and death. Where do we learn all of the lessons we need to live life well? Some of them we learn along the way but much of what we bring to life, positive and negative, comes from our early beginnings, our families. This is our early world and provides the blueprint for how we see the bigger, more inclusive world, which unfolds before us.

Our families of origin can be sources of grace, heartache or a combination of both. Families are intended to be pivotal in providing us with proper social structure and understanding, a support system, lessons about relationships and communication, and the unconditional acceptance and love we so desperately crave. They can also determine whether we have an accessible and healthy relationship with God. Many of life's challenges can literally bring us to our knees and require that we possess a strength of character that resides well beyond the superficialities of our world. At some point we will all need three coping gifts that can be given to us only by God: faith, hope, and love. Our families help us learn that we are not the ones responsible for their creation, but God!

Our experience of early family life colors all of our relationships and what we expect to achieve from life in general. Resolving conflicts, dealing with difficulty and suffering, celebrating accomplishments, prioritizing our needs, listening to God's call, understanding relationships, understanding disappointment, learning about the virtues and living a centered focused life are all lessons our families either succeed in teaching or do not. To succeed, as God has designed and ordered our world, is to discover his presence and then trust that Presence. The Holy Family can teach even the most dysfunctional family how to best use God's gifts of faith, hope, and love to find him and do his will. Their simple humble example is always before us, showing us the way. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!

PARISH THEME

"In order to promote individual and parish growth, St. Anselm parish is a welcoming Catholic community committed to serving Christ through:

- the celebration of the sacraments (especially the Eucharist),
- outreach initiatives to individuals,
- life long education resulting in the transfer of the truths and practice of our faith to our youth."

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

2020 Christmas Schedule

Saturday, December 26th

4:30 p.m. – Sunday Mass

Sunday, December 27th (The Feast of the Holy Family)

10:00 a.m. – Sunday Mass

12:00 p.m. – Sunday Mass

Friday, January 1st – New Years' Day

(Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God)

9:00 a.m. – Holy Day Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 28

8:30 a.m. +Dorothy Omichinski by Sharon Krill

Wednesday, December 30

8:30 a.m. Mass of Special Intention for the healing of Msgr. Moloney by the parish

Thursday, December 31

4:30 p.m. +Margie Hengtgen by her husband, Jack and her family

10:00 p.m. The People of St. Anselm

Friday, January 1

9:00 a.m. The People of St. Anselm

Saturday, January 2

4:30 p.m. Mass of Special Intention for the healing of Debbie Habermas by St. Anselm Ushers

Sunday, January 3

10:00 a.m. +Kathryn Woiwode by her family and friends

12:00 p.m. +Ray Feliks Jr. by his mm, Pat, and his family

THIS WEEK

Saturday, December 26

4:30 p.m. Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 27

10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass

12:00 p.m. Sunday Mass

Monday, December 28

8:30 a.m. Daily Mass

Wednesday, December 30

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Friday, January 1 (Mary, Mother of God)

9:00 a.m. Daily Mass

Saturday, January 2

4:30 p.m. Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday, January 3

10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass

12:00 p.m. Sunday Mass

*Rosary is recited after all
8:30 a.m. daily Mass*

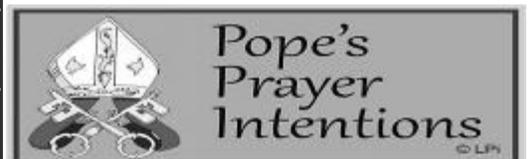
OVERFLOW

As more people are returning to church we have to anticipate the safety concerns when it comes to our parishioners with social distancing. With that said we want to let you know that we have audio in the Parish Meeting Room for all of our masses. We can let people squeeze into pews when we still have to adhere to social distancing.

Masks are a MUST!

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE JANUARY 2 & 3

	4:30 PM SAT. VIGIL	10:00 AM SUN.	12:00 NOON SUN
LECTORS	R. Salter	C. Zakalata	M. Roberge
LAY MINISTERS	G. Schira	G. Schira	G. Schira
USHERS	P. Poynter J. Romano J. Drapala R. Habermas B. Jennings	E. Mignogna J. Witzleben D. Budz R. DeBlander M. Dudek M. Gass G. Rinke	J. Berkowski J. Mocerri J. Stodulski M. DeMarco

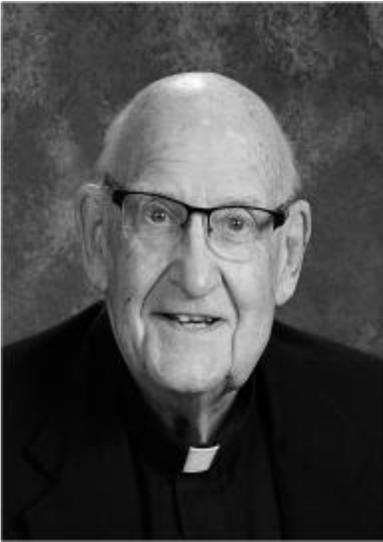


DECEMBER

For a Life of Prayer

We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

OF MANY THINGS



I want to thank all of you for your prayers and well wishes. My pacemaker is working wonderfully. I am on the road to recovery. Your patience is much appreciated.

My prayers are that all of you had a blessed Christmas even in this pandemic. As we begin a new calendar year I pray all of us will be given the grace of a peaceful and healthy year 2021 of our Lord.

Please note in the schedule on page two that we are only offering one mass for New Year's Day at 9:00 a.m.

Please thank the Mariannahill Missionary Fathers who have step up to cover our masses for me until I return.

I hope you take advantage of the new audio system that was installed in the parish meeting room and chapel. This is to give social distancing to more of you to attend church and to stay safe as the same time.

I want to thank all who made up unused envelopes at Christmas time or gave the parish extra help through the Christmas collection at this time of the year. Such gifts marked "Christmas" through the 15th of January are not assessed the seven percent by the Archdiocese. The entire amount stays at the parish.

On this Feast of the Holy Family, let us pray for Our Holy Father, Pope Francis. We pray that he will stay healthy and guide the Church out of this world pandemic.

God bless you all and may the Lord keep you and your family healthy and safe at this time.

Msgr. Moloney

RECONCILIATION

Saturday:
TBD at a later date

BAPTISMS

For information call
rectory.

WEDDINGS

Please call ahead,
at least six months for
weddings.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:
4:30 pm
Sunday:
10:00 am and 12:00 pm

WEEKDAY

Monday, Wednesday and
Friday
8:30 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

8:30 am & 5:30 pm

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LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

First Reading Genesis 15:1-6, 21:1-3 (17B)

A reading from the Book of Genesis

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying:
"Fear not, Abram!

I am your shield;

I will make your reward very great."

But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what good will your gifts be, if I keep on being childless and have as my heir the steward of my house, Eliezer?" Abram continued, "See, you have given me no offspring, and so one of my servants will be my heir." Then the word of the LORD came to him: "No, that one shall not be your heir; your own issue shall be your heir."

The Lord took Abram outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so," he added, "shall your descendants be." Abram put his faith in the LORD, who credited it to him as an act of righteousness.

The LORD took note of Sarah as he had said he would; he did for her as he had promised.

Sarah became pregnant and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time that God had stated.

Abraham gave the name Isaac to this son of his whom Sarah bore him.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

R. (7a, 8a) **The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.**

Give thanks to the LORD, invoke his name;
make known among the nations his deeds.

Sing to him, sing his praise,
proclaim all his wondrous deeds.

R. **The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.**

Glory in his holy name;

rejoice, O hearts that seek the LORD!

Look to the LORD in his strength;
constantly seek his face.

R. **The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.**

You descendants of Abraham, his servants,
sons of Jacob, his chosen ones!

He, the LORD, is our God;

throughout the earth his judgments prevail.

R. **The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.**

He remembers forever his covenant

which he made binding for a thousand generations

which he entered into with Abraham

and by his oath to Isaac.

R. **The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.**

Second Reading Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

Brothers and sisters: By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; he went out, not knowing where he was to go. By faith he received power to generate, even though he was past the normal age --and Sarah herself was sterile--for he thought that the one who had made the promise was trustworthy. So it was that there came forth from one man, himself as good as dead, descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sands on the seashore.

By faith Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was ready to offer his only son, of whom it was said, "Through Isaac descendants shall bear your name." He reasoned that God was able to raise even from the dead, and he received Isaac back as a symbol.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Hebrews 1:1-2

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets;
in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel

Luke 2:22-40

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

+Glory to you, O Lord.

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, They took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord, *Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord*, and to offer the sacrifice of a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons, in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, He took him into his arms and blessed God, saying:

"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel."

The child's father and mother were amazed at what was said about him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted —and you yourself a sword will pierce— so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived seven years with her husband after her marriage, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple, but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer. And coming forward at that very time,

she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child

to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

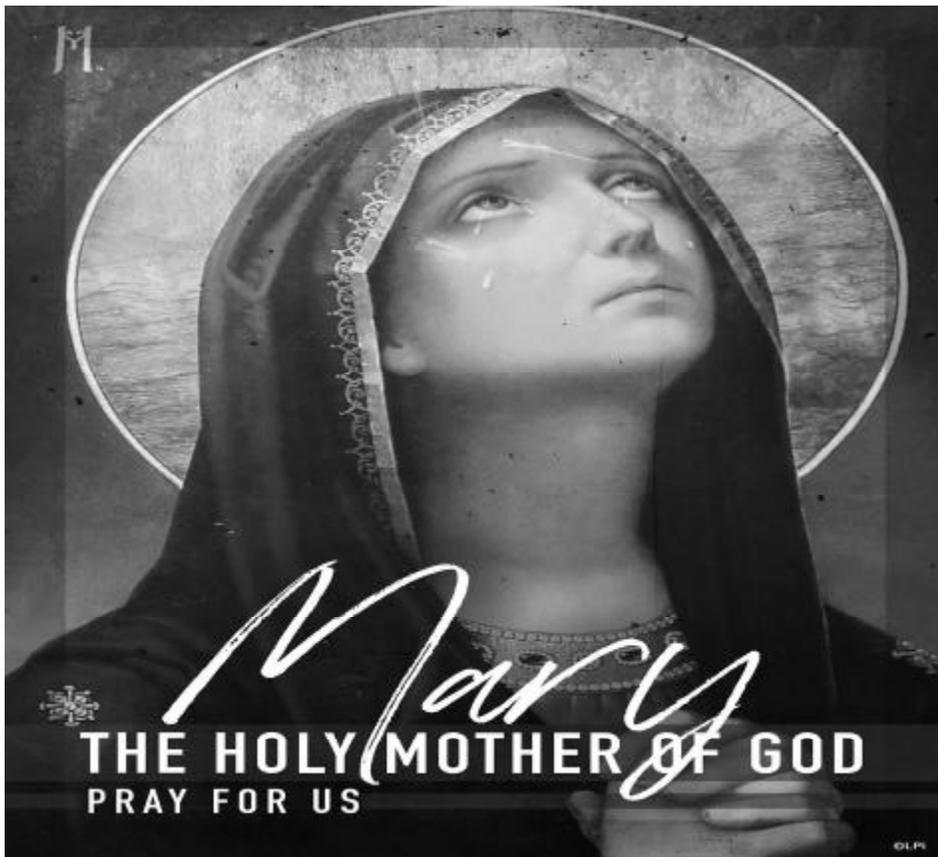
My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

The Apostles' Creed can be found on the next page!

Prayer to St. Michael

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls.

Amen.



*Have a Very Blessed
and Happy New Year
From
Msgr. Moloney,
Fr. Perfetto and
all the Staff and Fac-
ulty Of St. Anselm.*

NEW FOOD REQUEST

We are going to continue to assist St. Sabina in their food pantry endeavors. Below is the list of items that they can use:

Potatoes (boxed or canned), canned vegetables, soups, canned fruit, canned or packaged proteins (chicken, tuna, spam, etc) canned fruit, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise.. Items currently in need is boxed Cereal, jelly, peanut butter canned meats.

Please place all food donations for St. Sabina in the grey food collection bin in the church vestibule.

If you have any questions or concerns please call the rectory at 313-565-4808.



PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

If you would like to enroll, change your address, or simply have questions about our parish, please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the Church office: 17650 West Outer Drive, Dearborn Heights, 48127.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Phone and Email: _____

- ◇ I would like to enroll as an active parishioner.
- ◇ Please change my address to the one shown above.
- ◇ I would like to learn more about school/parish activities
- ◇ I would like to learn more about the Catholic faith.
- ◇ I would like to speak with a priest about a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son,
our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy
Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from
the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of
God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.

Amen.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 27, 2020

SUN 12/27	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1] or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [7a, 8a]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40
MON 12/28	1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18
TUE 12/29	1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35
WED 12/30	1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40
THR 12/31	1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18
FRI 1/1	Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
SAT 1/2	1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 1:19-28
SUN 1/3	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/ Mt 2:1-12

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 27, 2020

Sunday:	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Monday:	The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
Tuesday:	St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
Thursday:	St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve
Friday:	Mary, The Holy Mother of God; New Year's Day; World Day of Peace
Saturday:	Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
Sunday:	The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

While families come in all shapes and sizes and no two are the same, they all need a common focus and grounding. Families are intended to be pivotal in providing us with a proper social structure and understanding, a support system, lessons about relationships and communication and the unconditional acceptance and love we so desperately crave. In addition to all of these things, the axis of every family has to be centered on faith. It is here that we can learn about the virtues and discover the windows to God Himself in His gifts of faith, hope, and love. We can learn, modeling our experience after the Holy Family, how to use these as anchors in our lives so that we can live out the other virtues with greater integrity. Because our human families struggle with weakness and sin, we have to come back to the Holy Family often for inspiration and guidance. In the bond of love that they shared, they clung to the anchor of God Himself and endured challenges far greater than many we will ever face.



New
Year's
Blessings

YOUTH GROUP

By Marcia Santostasi

Youth Group met on Sunday, December 20th for their annual “Reindeer Games”, the YG version of our Christmas Party. Games, cookie decorating, snacks, and dinner was part of the festivities. Some wore Christmas attire or Ugly Sweaters! A friendly competitive evening while staying safe was our evening with fellowship kicked off our Christmas break.

On Behalf of the Youth Group and the Adult Leadership Team, we wish everyone a very Blessed and Happy, Healthy New Year!

Youth Group will be taking some time off for the Christmas and New Year Break and we will resume in January. However, looking ahead to 2021 and our upcoming Service Projects, the YG will be assembling Hygiene Kits for the Homeless. We are seeking New Personal Hygiene items for both Men and Women, i.e. shampoo, soap, deodorant, hairbrush/combs, toothbrush, toothpaste, etc., socks, hats and gloves.

We have extended an open invitation to all of our Parish and School 8th grade students to join us at our upcoming service projects. With the limitations on doing volunteering because of State Mandates, we thought this invite may help the students to get their required service hours needed for Confirmation, while staying close to home. If 8th grade parents have any questions, feel free to contact one of the adult leaders at the numbers listed at the end of this article.

We also want to remind our Parish High School Students WE NEED YOU. If you are a 9-12th grade student and are interested in joining the Youth Group, you are always welcome to attend any upcoming meeting. We generally follow the school calendar throughout the year.

The mission of the St. Anselm Youth Group is to do service for our parish and community, and needed service hours for high school can be earned. This is a great opportunity for our parish high school students to stay involved and participate in our Church, truly live their faith and lend a helping hand to others. Also remember, while attendance isn't mandatory, it is encouraged. You will meet new friends and get reacquainted with old ones. It's never too late, simply join us for the first time or we welcome you back anytime at an upcoming meeting. Be sure to fill out a Registration Form as this will add you to our Group Text Message List, and stay tuned to this weekly bulletin article for current events and updates.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Dec. 21-January 3, 2021: Merry Christmas! We're off for Christmas Vacation!

AREA EVENTS:

Dec,2020-Jan, 2021: AMVETS Americanism Contest: Open to students in grades K-12 who attend Public, Private, Parochial Schools, are Home Schooled, or are members of a Youth Group or Faith-based organization are eligible to participate. The divisions include:

AMVETS Americanism Flag Coloring Contest for K and 1st grades.

AMVETS Americanism Poster Contest for 2-5th grades.

AMVETS Americanism Essay Contest for 6-12th grades. Parish students can contact Kim Cwiek or Marcia Santostasi for more information. For more specifics on the program, please visit AMVETS.org/Americanism.

For more info regarding Youth Group, please contact one of the adult leaders: Marcia Santostasi @313-277-3844 or msantostasi@saintanselmschool.org, or Kim Cwiek @313-565-4808 or kim.c@saintanselmparish.org.

FAITH FORMATION

By Maryann Walkuski

The Christmas Crèche

If you missed the feast of Francis of Assisi in October, the Christmas season offers another opportunity to commemorate the saint. Anyone who has erected a nativity scene is following Francis' 13-century example. On Christmas Eve 1223, the saint created the first nativity in the Italian city of Greccio. With the help of a local nobleman, Francis celebrated the birth of Jesus in a cave outside the town. The liturgy featured a hay-filled manger in front of the temporary altar, and as Francis preached, the nobleman arranged to have an ox and donkey stand at the altar as well.

Francis' original nativity was inspired by his trip in 1221 to the Holy Land and Jesus' traditional birthplace. He was deeply moved visiting the site where God became fully human. Hoping others could enjoy the same profoundly spiritual experience, Francis encouraged believers to make pilgrimages to Bethlehem. By 1223, however, conflict among the powers vying for control of the Holy Land made the trip too dangerous for pilgrims. Francis decided to do the next best thing—bring Bethlehem to the pilgrims.

Accounts of Francis' original nativity do not include much information about the congregation that gathered. We do not know if the Italian villagers standing in the cold on Christmas Eve nearly eight centuries ago were as moved as Francis was by the idea of an omnipotent God so capable of love and humility that He took the form of a vulnerable infant and was born outdoors among the animals. The popularity of nativity scenes, however, indicates that over the centuries people were drawn to the possibility of building their own Bethlehem. Setting up a nativity scene not only allows us to remember and celebrate the drama of Jesus' birth but also the saint so enraptured with that drama that he brought it to life.

The Franciscans quickly spread the practice of creating nativity scenes with live animals and actors. Living scenes remain popular, but static nativities also developed, allowing the scene to remain on display for longer periods for meditation. By the 19th century Protestant churches, which initially rejected nativity scenes as a form of idolatrous Catholic superstition, slackened their opposition to the scenes, and their popularity spread through the wider Christian world. A church in Southampton, England gathered shepherds, angels, and wise men of all sizes in an attempt to break the record for the largest living nativity. At 298 participants, however, they fell well short of the record of 567 people, which was the current record at that time. They fell a little short! The record now... More than 1000 people dressed up as angels in an event that broke the world record for the largest nativity re-enactment. Rock Canyon Park in Provo, Utah, was turned into a scene from the Bible, December 2, 2014, as 1039 volunteers turned out to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. It was a non-denominational Christian ceremony.

I hope everyone has a nativity scene on display in your homes. It is truly the reason for this holy season!

Thought For The Week

“Every mother, when she picks up the young life that has been born to her, looks up to the heavens to thank God for the gift which made the world young again. But here was a Mother, a Madonna, who did not look up. She looked down to Heaven, for this was Heaven in her arms.”

Venerable Fulton Sheen



BIRTHDAYS

December 27
Sharon Misewicz

December 28

December 29
John Balthasar, Christine Kueber,
Joanne DeSmet, Karen Koziatek,
David Orozco

December 30
Harold Rahrig, Carol Gruchala

December 31
Elizabeth "Beth" Jouppi, Barbara Veverica,
Pauline Wolski

January 1
Maryann Walkuski, Norma Kummer

January 2
Mark Pikula



The Faculty and Staff at St. Anselm Catholic Elementary School would like to wish you all a Very, Happy and Healthy New Year!

Mrs. Angela Kraetke
Principal

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ANNIVERSARIES

42 Years
Roseanne and John "Frank" Conklin

31 Years
Deanne and Greg Murphy



VOCATIONS PRAYER

O Father, you desire all of us to be happy.
Stir up the grace of a religious vocation in the
hearts
of many men and women.
Grant to them the willingness and generosity
to give of themselves, their lives, their time and
their
talents to the service of Jesus Christ, Your
Son, Our Lord and
Savior, and to His Holy Church.

May more men and women go forth as priests,
deacons,
brothers and sisters to bring the truths of our
Catholic faith
to all others so that soon they, too, may know
You better
and love You more...
and serving You, be truly happy. **Amen.**

CHRISTMAS GIFT?

Dear Parents or Grandparents,

Wondering what you can give you child or grandchild that will last a lifetime. How about at Catholic School Education at St. Anselm Catholic Elementary School. If you would like a tour or more information please call the school at 313-563-3430.

MEMORIALS FUND

The Memorial fund was established to help raise money for St. Anselm School to ensure that the educational tradition of St. Anselm will continue for many years to come. Please consider this fund when you are doing your will as this will help in preserving your Catholic values and passing them on to the next generation. Always seek advice of your attorney or financial advisor. If you need additional information about the fund please call the rectory at 313-565-4808.

BULLETIN ITEMS?

Bulletin announcements are due in the Parish office by
9:00 a.m. Mondays.

All flyers must be submitted in a JPEG format.
Please email articles to kim.c@saintanselmparish.org

LAWN SERVICE/SNOW

Sam will be offering snow removal services as well. If your interested please call him at the number below. Call of text Sam at 313-585-6603. Thank you!

KIDS CORNER

READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

Find 8 differences.



SHARING THE GOSPEL

Love God and trust him with your life. Then you will want to do what God asks. Simeon listened to God. Anna served

God for many years in the temple. Mary and Joseph did everything God asked them to do for Jesus. Everyone in the temple knew that Jesus was sent by God to be their Savior. They trusted God with Jesus' precious life.

PRAYER

God, help me to love you enough to do all that you ask me to.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus belonged to God. Look up the word "belong" in the dictionary. Thank God that you are his child, too.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 17	Ash Wednesday
Apr 4	Easter Sunday
Apr 21	Feast of St. Anselm
Jun 2	Msgr.'s 65th Anniversary of Ordination
Jun 4	Fr. Perfetto's 55th Anniversary of Ordination
Jun 4	*Fun Fair 2021
Jun 5	*Fun Fair 2021
Jun 6	*Fun Fair 2021
Jun 10	8th Grade Graduation
Jun 12	School Year Ends
Jun 18	Msgr's Birthday
Aug 2	Fr. Perfetto's Birthday

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Merry Christmas

As we celebrate the Incarnation of Jesus Christ this Christmas, we remember that He was born among the lowest of the low in a manger. This simple fact is a powerful sermon that all human life matters! Do not be afraid to speak up and take action on behalf of countless women and unborn children who may otherwise fall victim to abortion. For educational resources and a connection to local pro-lifers, consider becoming a member of LIFESPAN by visiting www.miLIFESPAN.org or calling 734-422-6230.



SOCIAL MEDIA

Our parish is always in the process of improving our social media outreach. If you have not connected with us on Facebook yet, we highly encourage everyone to follow us. It's a great way to keep in touch with our parish community and stay up to date on the latest news and events here at St. Anselm.

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FYI

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EXPLORE THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

The Return to Nazareth

LK 2:22-40 OR LK 2:22, 39-40

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord.

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

MEET OUR EXTENDED FAMILY

St. John the Apostle (Feast Day December 27) D. 6 - 100

The apostle John, along with Peter and James, was one of Jesus' closest friends. These three alone were privileged to be present at the Transfiguration, the raising of the daughter of Jairus, and the agony in Gethsemane. Many scholars believe that the apostle John is the author of the Gospel of John, three New Testament Letters, and the Book of Revelation. The Gospel of John refers to him as "the disciple whom Jesus loved" (see John 13:23; 19:26; 20:2), the one who reclined next to Jesus at the Last Supper, and the one to whom Jesus gave the honor of caring for his mother. John was the only apostle who was with Jesus when he died on the cross.

TAKE TIME TO CHAT

- What do you think Jesus was like as a baby?
- What one thing your family can do to be more like the Holy Family?
- What do you love most about your family?

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Easy Chicken and Dumplings

One 2 ½-pound chicken, cut into 8 pieces

1 large onion, chopped

2 bay leaves

2 chicken bouillon cubes

Salt and pepper to taste

1 can condensed cream of chicken soup

Dumplings:

2 cups all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon salt

½ teaspoon pepper

1 can of flaky layer biscuits

Place the chicken, onion, bay leaves, and bouillon, in a large pot. Add 4 quarts of water, simmer over medium heat. Simmer the chicken until it is tender and no longer pink, about 40 minutes. Remove the chicken from the pot and, when it is cool enough to handle, remove the skin and separate the meat from the bones. Return the chicken meat to the pot. Keep warm over low heat. Add the cream of chicken soup to the pot with the chicken and simmer gently over medium-low heat.

To prepare the dumplings: Mix the flour with the salt and pepper in a shallow bowl or plate. Take each biscuit and tear into three layers. Dip each layer into the flour mixture (both sides). Cut each layer into three pieces using a pizza cutter or knife, or just tear them for a more rustic looking dumpling. Do NOT stir the pot once the dumplings have been added or they will dissolve. Gently push the pieces of dough down into the broth. Gently move the pot in a circular motion so the dumplings become submerged and cook evenly. Cook until the dumplings are no longer doughy, about 10 minutes.

To serve, ladle chicken, gravy, and dumplings into warm bowls.

FAMILY FUN

Indoor Activities

- Make chocolate chip cookies. Everyone gets a cookie and says one thing they're thankful for for every chocolate chip they find!
- Watch "The Nativity Story" as a family.

FAMILY PRAYER

Prayer for our Family – St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Heavenly Father,

You have given us the model of life in the Holy Family of Nazareth. Help us, O Loving Father, to make our family another Nazareth where love, peace, and joy reign. May it be deeply contemplative, intensely Eucharistic, revived with joy.

Help us to stay together in joy and sorrow in family prayer. Teach us to see Jesus in the members of our families, especially in their distressing disguise. May the Eucharistic heart of Jesus make our hearts humble like his and help us to carry out our family duties in a holy way. May we love one another as God loves each one of us, more and more each day, and forgive each other's faults as you forgive our sins. Help us, O Loving Father, to take whatever you give and give whatever you take with a big smile.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Cause of Our Joy, pray for us.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

Holy Guardian Angels, be always with us, guide and protect us. Amen.



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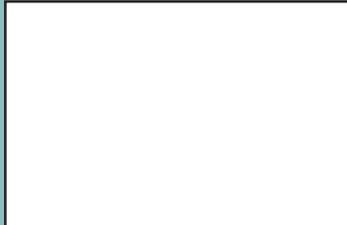
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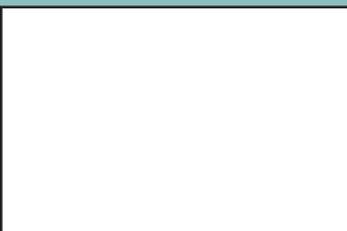
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