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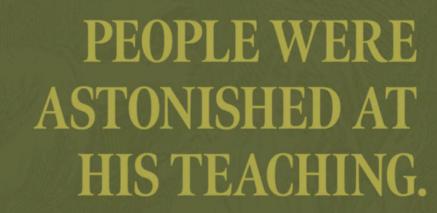
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From the Desk of Fr. Chris

"Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, a heart to seek you, wisdom to find you, conduct pleasing to you, faithful perseverance in waiting for you, and a hope of finally embracing you."



(St. Thomas Aquinas)

This week we celebrate Catholic Schools Week as a Universal Church. This week coincides with several Feast Days of Saints who were known for their work with youth and Catholic Education (St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Angela Merici, St. John Bosco, etc.) We're blessed at St. Anselm to have a Catholic School on campus. This weekend some of our students will share with us their experience of education and formation at St. Anselm School. They'll also share their gratitude with all of you for your support of St. Anselm School, because as we all have experienced, this is a ministry that brings great vibrancy to our parish. On the level of faith, our students regularly participate in the celebration of the Sacraments, daily prayer such as the rosary and their classroom prayers, and devotionals (like leading our parish community in Friday Stations of the Cross during Lent and Eucharistic Adoration). The goal of St. Anselm School isn't just to provide an excellent education, but also the formation of the hearts of our young people in the Catholic faith tradition.

If you don't get a chance to stop by our open house this weekend or perhaps you have more questions about St. Anselm School, Mrs. Therese Rose (Principal) would love to answer your questions or give you a tour. Her contact information is on the front cover of this bulletin.

Recently I had great conversations with both our parish staff and pastoral council about Lent. It's hard to believe that it is right around the corner (just a few weeks away). We have some very exciting plans to help you have a very blessed Lent (both prayer and educational opportunities). Deacon Bob and I preached last year about the 7 Deadly Sins and 7 Lively Virtues during the Sundays of Lent. This year we will be once again highlight a special theme during Lent (hint: it has a lot to do with our annual parish theme "Encounter Christ"). I look forward to sharing more with you as we get closer to Lent.

Know of my Prayers for You, Fr. Chris † Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28 January 28, 2024



READINGS AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2024

Monday, January 29, 2024 @ **8:30am** ~ **Frank Gronowski** 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30, 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, January 30, 2024 @ 8:30am ~ Ettore Luigi & Lucia Ianiro 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14, 24-25, 30-19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, January 31, 2024 @ 7pm ~ Ann Marie Homa St. John Bosco, Priest

2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, February 1, 2024 @ 8:30am ~ Marge Balazs 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13

Friday, February 2, 2024 @ 8:30am ~ Annamarie Varga The Presentation of the Lord

Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Ps 24:7-10; Lk 2:22-40

Saturday, February 3, 2024 @ 4pm ~ Margaret Bican St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39



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Encounter Church

Aquinas' Four Proofs

This week we celebrate the feast day of Saint Thomas Aquinas, one of the greatest minds in the history of the Church. One of Aquinas' greatest works, the *Summa Theologiae*, contains five proofs for the existence of God. They are the following:

- 1. The Argument from Motion: This argument points to a source of motion that was not initially acted upon, a movement that never had a beginning, but always was. This source of movement is the one that set all things in motion, and, as such, had to exist prior to and outside the constraints of that which was set in motion.
- 2. The Argument from Efficient Cause: Similar to the first argument, this one is based on the idea of cause and effect. This time, the cause and effect of Saint Thomas refers to is existence itself. Nothing, he explains, can cause itself to exist. To be the cause of itself, the argument proceeds, the object in question would need to exist prior to its own existence. And because that isn't possible, everything that exists must have been brought into existence by something else. This beginning, or "efficient cause," is referred to by humanity as God.
- 3. The Argument from Necessary Being: Here, Saint Thomas draws into infinity: if everything that exists had a point in time where it didn't exist, then nothing would exist now, since there would have been nothing to bring something else into existence. This means that something has to exist that has no potential for nonexistence, and something that is necessary in and of itself. This necessary being was not brought into existence, since it has no possibility for nonexistence. It is without beginning and it is the cause of all things that exist.
- **4.** The Argument from Perfection: St. Thomas observes the natural order as having qualities of goodness, truth, nobility, and so on. The things in the natural world are "more" or "less" good, they are "more" or "less" true, and the same with all similar qualities. Every quality has a maximum, to which all things possessing that quality must be compared.
- **5.** The Argument from Design: According to Natural Law, everything without intelligence "act for an end," which is a way of saying that they follow the laws of the natural world. These things act in the same way almost always, unless acted upon by a different force, to achieve the same end. This Intelligent Designer is what Aquinas called God.

Notes from Sister Noel

I know many of you have personal copies of "Magnificat" or "Give Us This Day" prayer books. I have prayed with one or the other over the past few years. Both provide a way to get into the habit of Morning and Evening Prayer, maybe Night Prayer as well. We are praying with the Church in



these prayers designated for certain times of the day.

These books contain a variation on the Holy Office said by priests and religious daily. This is truly the prayer of the Church. The format of "Magnificat" and "Give Us This Day" is userfriendly for anyone seeking to grow spiritually. I would be lost without my book, as others who have committed themselves to this form of daily prayer. It has been really beneficial. It has led me to know more of the Saints and Holy Ones who are true models of faith.

If you are a person drawn to our Advent and Lent booklets provided by the parish, you may be one who would find this format as a companion throughout the year. Do I sound like I work for the Company? No, I don't, but I do believe the Company is part of Jesus' Company, the Church.

You know how when you find a good thing, you want to tell others? That's what Jesus wanted His disciples to do..share the Good News. So that's what I am doing. If you want to see a copy, I could make it possible. If someone has "Magnifcat", could you provide an old copy for us to share? Let me know.

Ash Wednesday (Feb. 14) is coming soon. Be assured the booklets you have made a part of your Lenten journey in the past will be provided once again from our parish. Keep your eyes and heart open to what the experience will bring.

Seater Nach Marra 054.

First Communion News

Beginning this weekend until the end of April, First Communicants along with family or parents will be participating in the Offertory Procession at the Saturday and Sunday Masses

Please pray for these children as they move forward to First Communion Day on May 6th at 11:00 AM.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Eternal Kest grant unto them, & Lord...

Elvira Schermaier Gertrude Fellers Mary Gander

Please pray for our deceased brothers and sisters.





Volunteers needed!

We need help with the coffee social the 3rd Sunday of the Month—Please contact the Parish Office at 440-729-9575 or kcaticchio@stanselm.org



FAITH SEEKS UNDERSTANDING BOOK DISCUSSION: BREAD AND WINE: READINGS FOR LENT AND EASTER 2 sessions available, both starting on 2/15 Thursdays 9:30a-10:30a Thursdays 7p-8p Hospitality Room in Parish Office Choose the session that works best for your schedule (morning or evening), and contact the parish office at 440-729-9575 to sign up. Books available for pickup at the Parish Office. For more information, call or text Dave at 440-488-1786.

Calendar of EVENTS

Sunday, January 28

RCIA 9:00 a.m. School 10:00 a.m. Open House School Coffee Social Kelly Hall 10:00 a.m. Children's Choir Practice 12:00 p.m. Church 7:00 p.m. PSR Grades 6-8 School 7:00 p.m. 7th Grade Praedisidium Kelly Hall Workshop

Tuesday, January 30

9:00 a.m. Adoration Church 11:30 a.m. Benediction Church

Thursday, February 1

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study Pentecost Rm

Saturday, February 3

9:00 a.m. PSR Grades 1-5 School Church

Prayer Shawl Ministry

This ministry knits and prays for the sick and those in the hospital, and prays as we make the prayer shawls. We meet on the **2nd Saturday of the**

month at 2:00 p.m. in the Pentecost Room.

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Choose to play 50/50, sideboard raffle, and Penny Raffle for more chances to win!

Open seating or reserve an entire table of 8.

Must be 21 years old or older to attend.

You can pick up RSVP forms at the school or parish office.

Deadline to register is February 16th.

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays following 8:30 a.m. Mass Benediction at 11:30 a.m.



Even though Christmas is over, God is still "Emmanuel." He is still with us incarnationally in the Eucharist. If you've been thinking about coming to Adoration, now is the time!

Come talk to Jesus, face to face. No matter what, He wants to see you.

Men - Accept the Challenge!

Accept the challenge as 2024 unfolds to "BE HOLY!"

And to help with this challenge, join us for a one -day Men's Retreat (adults and teens) on **Saturday**, **February 10th.**

The theme of the retreat is "BE HOLY!" and it will be held at St. Mary, Chardon.

We start with Mass at 8:00 a.m. and will end around 2:00 p.m.

Both breakfast and lunch are provided and a free will offering of \$15 is suggested.

Who *doesn't* need more holiness in their lives?

To register, email Gary Burling at garyWburling@gmail.com and "BE HOLY!"

CYO Sports Registration is now open

We are currently accepting registration for Track & Field - grades 1-8 for both boys and girls.

Early Registration is open from 1/16/24 through 2/25/24 - Cost is \$90



Regular registration is open from 2/26/24 through 3/3/24 -Cost is \$100

If you are interested in coaching, please contact us at athletics@stanselm.org

All athletes must pay a \$40 uniform deposit when registering. This will be refunded when uniforms are returned at the end of the season.

CALLING ALL TEENAGERS!

Come Check Out The New High School Group!





Play Sports, Eat Pizza and Hangout!

Sunday, February 25th 4:00-5:30 p.m.



Anderson Hall (Gym) in the School Building

Any Questions? Contact Brandan Bizzi at bbizzi@stanselm.org



Articles for the February 11th bulletin must be received by Thursday, February 1st.

Email to Rebecca at bulletin@stanselm.org



Protecting God's Children

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at 216-334-2999 or email at response services@dioceseofcleveland.org. You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.



Thank You!!

The St. Anselm Assistance Ministry team would like to thank everyone for their generous Giving Tree response for our Geauga County veterans.

"Stocking" notes from our school kids and over 300 pairs of socks were given to the Geauga County Veterans Pantry in time for Christmas. The pantry and especially our vets were extremely happy to receive these gifts!



WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN THE SAINT ANSELM FAMILY

If you would like to be a member of our parish, please complete this form, and place it in the collection basket or send it to the parish office and someone from the parish will contact you.

Name	Phone
Address	Zip
I am interested in the marriage annulment process.	E-Mail

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Heavenly Father, we pray that You will lay your healing hands upon all those who are sick. We beg you to have compassion on all those mentioned below. Amen

U.S. Active Military U.S. Veterans Patricia Adamik Peter Amato David & LuAnn Anderson Mark Andres Tina Arnold Kevin Austin Daniel Ayala, Sr. Justine Bauer Don Bear Agnes Blackley Julian Blaha Thomas Bolt Barb Borelle Nancy Boutellier Sally Bovineing Karen Bowlus Daneen Brickmann Bridgette Bright Fran & Charlie Brooks Charlene Brown James Buehner Haley Burgman Kellie Burt **Bob Carlson** Amv Caprez Children/St.Jude's Hosp.

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If you have requested a name to be added above for the Prayers for the Sick and that person is no longer in need of these prayers, please inform Kim in the Parish Office so she can remove the name. email: bulletin@stanselm.org; phone: 440-729-9575



Please remember in your daily prayers these individuals, who have been and are called to the priesthood.

Sunday, January 28 ~ Pray for Bishop Amos Seminarians at Borromeo/St. Mary Monday, January 29 ~ Christopher Cotone Tuesday, January 30 ~ Anthony Donatelli

Wednesday, January 31 ~ Jon Hawkins Thursday, February 1 ~ Jeff Lindholm Friday, February 2 ~ James Parisi Saturday, February 3 ~ Brian Peters



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