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## From the Desk of Fr. Chris

"Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned." (Ash Wednesday Psalm Response)

This weekend there is much to celebrate. We not only had our Catholic Charities Annual Appeal, but it's also



World Marriage Sunday: an opportunity to not only recognize the vocation of marriage, but to pray for those who are married.

We're in the last few days before the Church around the world begins the Season of Lent this Wednesday (Ash Wednesday). As promised, you'll find a variety of resources to help you and your family have a very grace-filled Lent. This weekend you can find Lenten daily-reflection books as well as a few handouts from our friends at Hallow. Some of us find great value in physical resources, while others enjoy using their smart devices as a Lenten companion. You may have seen advertisements for Hallow before on Social Media, TV ads, or even if you receive Catholic periodicals. Nicole, our Director of Communications and Evangelization, created a small flyer with what free programming is available on Hallow (there is a small monthly subscription fee for some of the content).

Consider joining us for the Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent either at 1:15pm or 7pm in the Church led by various members of the parish staff. Beginning on Friday February 23<sup>rd</sup> through the remainder of Lent, students from our St. Anselm School Community will lead us in praying the Stations of the Cross. Brandan Bizzi, our Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, is now meeting with our junior high parishioners to work on Living Stations of the Cross.

Last year, Deacon Bob and I highlighted the 7 Deadly Sins and the 7 Lively Virtues in our Lenten homilies. As a way to help our parish enter more deeply into the national Eucharistic Revival and our annual parish theme, "Encounter Christ", Deacon Bob and I will once again focus our Lenten homilies on a specific theme. This year we will be diving deeper into the parts of the Mass so that each of us has a deeper appreciation for what we call *the greatest form of prayer*. I look forward to walking through the Mass each week with you, highlighting different parts each week.

May God bless each of us abundantly this Lenten Season. May we all grow in our relationship with God and learn to slow down just a bit more.

May God Bless You, Fr. Chris † SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31-11:1; Mk 1:40-45 FEBRUARY 11, 2024



## READINGS AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 11, 2024

**Monday, February 12, 2024** @ **8:30am** ~ **Antonietta Gigliotti** Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13

**Tuesday, February 13, 2024** @ **8:30am** ~ **Giuseppe Del Blaso** Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 @ 8:30am~ Michael & Terri Levan 7:00pm ~ Enzo Perfetto

Ash Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Ps 51:3-6, 12-14, 17; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday, February 15, 2024** @ **8:30am** ~ **Annmarie Varga** Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday, February 16, 2024 @ 8:30am ~ Sandra Jaycic Is 58:1-9; Ps 51:3-6, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday, February 17, 2024 @ 4pm ~ Edward & Geannette Szypulski

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15



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# Encounter Church

## Ash Wednesday

In preparation for Lent, please join us for our Ash Wednesday services. May God bless you during this Lenten season!





## Baptishs

February 4, 2024

Edwin Smrdelj Carmen DiFranco

## Eternal Kest grant unto them, & Lord...

## Ronald Stevens Peggy Mullen

Please pray for our deceased brothers and sisters.



## First Communion News

Happening now and extending until 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 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM.

## Notes from Sister Noel

We are coming close to Ash Wednesday, this week. Yes, Lent begins early this year but we would know that looking at any calendar. In our bulletin and website, we have been acknowledging that in one way or another.



As one who facilitates learning in our PSR program, I have been thinking about Lent for a few weeks. I was happily surprised when I came upon the folder hidden in each CRS Rice Bowl as we packaged them for PSR, St. Anselm School and you, our parishioners.

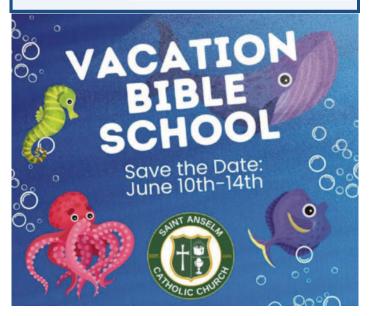
I hope you, too, will pick up a Rice Bowl sent by Catholic Relief Services each year. You will discover as I did the many resources available not only for teachers but for anyone.

There are short 5-minute presentations about the countries and people being served through the funds collected. There are short talks about Lent as well as ways of praying with those in need in mind. I like their Stations of the Cross presented through videos and read passages. Just find a quiet spot and enter into the experience.

On the pamphlet there is a QR code. Use your smart phone and camera icon to hover over the code. A link will pop up, tap it and the video resources will appear. This will be a new way of praying alone or with the family.

CRS has come a long way over the years in keeping us informed through their creativity. Many benefit from their efforts. May you discover new ways of finding God in your Lenten journey.

Sister Rack Marra 054.



## THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## The Saint Angelm Tolkien Society

The next meeting of the Saint Anselm Tolkien Society will be on **Monday**, **February 12th** from 7-8:30pm in the Pentecost Room. We will be reading and discussing *The Farthest Shore* by Ursula K. LeGuin.

If you are interested in attending or have any questions, please reach out at sean.e.cogan@gmail.com. Anyone is welcome to come and bring snacks or treats to share!



#### **RCIA News**

"God created us because he loves stories." ~Elie Wiesel

As the RCIA candidates and catechumens look forward to the final period of preparation, the Lenten season, they come face to face with the story that God is creating within them. Lent is the season of transformation and healing. As in today's

Gospel we are blessed with the beauty and love within our stories. God invites us to begin again each day to come to Him in our need. We need to touch God's life so that our stories become whole and holy, more loving, and opportunities for healing. As we journey to the other side of today then, may we receive abundant blessings from the God who is ever new, ever loving, ever transforming.

The RCIA process is preparing the catechumens and candidates for this season of deep reflection, a time to look at life and open our hearts to God in ways that are newer and deeper than ever before. This is the promise of Jesus. During His life, death and resurrection Jesus not only showed us the way to His Father but He also lived in a way that gave us guideposts toward life eternal. His promise is that we too can inherit the Kingdom of God through a life lived with Him. Our year in the RCIA is filled with the lessons and experiences, which lead us to the graces and blessings of this life.

Next Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, the first Sunday of Lent 2024, the Candidates and Catechumens travel to the Cathedral of St. John for the Rite of Election with Bishop Malesic. At the 9:00 AM Mass we will celebrate the Rite of Sending here at St. Anselm. Please join us in prayer.

Dearest Jesus, our candidates and catechumens long to live in ways that will heal their souls and will bring them closer to living in love. They seek to model their days after you. Be with them as they continue their journey toward full membership in your holy Church. We seek to follow you as they do into the Kingdom of peace and justice. Amen.

# Calendar of EVENTS

#### Sunday, February 11

9:00 a.m. RCIA School 10:00 a.m. Coffee Social Kelly Hall 12:00 p.m. Children's Choir Practice Church

\*\*\*NO PSR Grades 6-8

Monday, February 12

7:00 p.m. Tolkien Society Pentecost Rm.

Tuesday, February 13

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

Wednesday, February 14

8:30 a.m. Mass Church
9:30 a.m. Patriotic Rosary Pentecost Rm.
12:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service Church
7:00 p.m. Mass Church

Thursday, February 15

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

Friday, February 16 NO SCHOOL

1:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross Church 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross Church

Saturday, February 17
\*\*\*NO PSR Grades 1-5

2:30 p.m. Confession Church

## Stations of the Cross

2024 Schedule - St. Anselm

**February 16** - 1:15PM & 7PM **February 23** - 1:15PM & 7PM **March 1** - 1:15PM & 7PM

**March 8** - 1:15PM & 7PM

March 15 - 1:15PM & 7PM

March 22 - 1:15PM & 7PM

March 29 - Good Friday - 12 Noon

Articles for the February 25<sup>th</sup> bulletin must be received by Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Email to Rebecca at bulletin@stanselm.org

# St. Anselm: Lent 2024

## What are our ministries doing during Lent?

## St. Anselm School

- Stations of the Cross
- Lenten Retreat Day
- Adoration
- Reconciliation
- Rice Bowls

## **Youth Group**

- Living Stations of the Cross
- Helping make "mom bags"

## **Art and Environment**

Lenten decorations

## **PSR**

- Lenten activities in Religion book
- Reconciliation
- · Lenten theme discussions
- Rice Bowls

## RCIA

- · Rite of Election Feb. 18th
- RCIA Retreat Palm Sunday

## **Faith Seeks Understanding**

Book Study on Thursdays

## **Entire Parish Community**

- · Donating items to make "Mom Bags" for BIRTHRIGHT
- Prayer Companion books for Lent
- Stations of the Cross Fridays at 1:15 PM & 7:00PM
- Tuesdays: Adoration 9:15AM 11:30AM & Benediction at 11:30AM
- Additional Confession opportunities
- Daily Mass: M, T, Th, F at 8:30AM & W at 7PM
- Themed preaching about parts of the Mass during the Homily



## **Communal Penance**

 March 13th @ 7PM at Divine Word

## Diocesan Evening of Concessions

• February 28th @ 5-8PM

## GROWING THROUGH GRIEF -BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT SERIES

Please join us on Tuesday afternoons from 1:30 to 3:00 PM beginning February 13 th thru March 19 th alternating between Divine Word and St.

Anselm. The first session will be at Divine Word on February 13 th at 1:30 PM.

To register or if you have any questions, please contact Kim at our parish office 440-729-9575.





#### 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 Daye at 440-488-1786.

## **MALLOW APP**

**AVAILABLE FREE RESOURCES** 

- DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET
- DAILY MEDITATION
- DAILY GOSPEL EXPLANATIONS
- MARIAN PRAYLIST
- UNGUIDED SILENCE
- FR. MIKE SCHMITZ CATECHISM & BIBLE IN A YEAR
- NIGHT PRAYER
- HALLOW KIDS STORY
- BISHOP BARRON SUNDAY SERMONS

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## St. Anselm Lenten Project

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This Lent, our parish community will be making "mom bags" for BIRTHRIGHT GEAUGA to help new moms take some time for self-care. Please join us in praying for these new moms, in fasting with their wellbeing in mind, and in donating the following items to help make those first days after birth a bit easier.

Please bring any of the following items to the church and place them in the labeled bins in the Baptistry between February 18th and March 24th. A date for packing the bags will be announced later for anyone who wishes to help! Thank you for your support!

Fingernail Polish Hairbrush Candles Toothpaste



Hair Conditioner Shampoo Lotion Fuzzy Socks

### Young of Heart

Young of Heart will meet on February 16 at 11:30 in the Hospitality Room. Bring your brown bag lunch. Snacks and beverages are provided. Musical entertainment will be provided by Polka Jake from the Chardon Polka Band.

To be listed in the Membership Directory, you will need to pay your dues of \$25 by this meeting.

Remember, if the West Geauga Schools are closed for snow days, our meeting is cancelled. You will not receive a call. Be sure to listen to the morning news for school closings.

We will be going to the Atlas Movie Theatre behind Eastgate on February 23 at 12:00. Movie TBD. Cost is \$5 for the movie or \$10 for movie, popcorn and drink. Call Kimber at (440) 668-3293 for reservations.

#### 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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Jack Kotheimer Lucas Kovacs Brett Kratochvil Joseph Lanckiewicz Paula Lanese Patrick Lazar Anthony Leonard Chris Livers Isabela Maiewski Lauren Makuh Jutta Manherz Michael Marinko Rosemary Mariola Joe Marotta Jim & Marilyn Martines Marcia Mayer Bill McNally Donald Mihelcic Eli Mihelcic John Monaco Lisa Morek Susan Murphy Vincent Nastasi Laurie Novak Marilyn Novak Kevin O'Brien Bobbie O'Connell Saul Obelenis Betty Omerza

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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, February 11 ~ Pray for All Pastors Seminarians at Borromeo/St. Mary Monday, February 12 ~ Sean Neville Tuesday, February 13 ~ Arthur Bordenschatz Wednesday, February 14 ~ Charles Cairnie Thursday, February 15 ~ Noah Furin Friday, February 16 ~ Jeremy Gaugler Saturday, February 17 ~ Jeremy Shafer



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