

February 1, 2009 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## RITE OF COMMITMENT FOR CONFIRMATION



The second general faith formation class for all children (parochial and public) preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be on **Sunday, February 1st at 8:40 A.M. in the school**

**followed by the Commitment Mass for all parents and children at 10:00 A.M.**

## ADULT CONFIRMATION

Formation for Catholics in high school, college, or older will be on **Sundays beginning February 22nd from 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.** in the Colbert Center. Confirmation will be administered on Pentecost Sunday, May 31, 2009.

## INCOME TAX STATEMENTS

We wish to thank all our parishioners for their support of our parish and school during this past year. If you desire a statement of your Church contributions for the year 2008, please contact the rectory. Statements will be mailed to those who request them. We will issue statements only to those who contribute to the church through the use of the weekly envelopes.



## 2009 BOWL-A-THON



### Get Ready, Get Set, BOWL

We will once again have a bowl-a-thon to be held at Maple Lanes on February 7, 2009 at 3pm. This was a huge success last year and we all had fun.

Registration can be picked-up at the Rectory office, the School Office or the Home School Office. The Priests and Sisters will be bowling again and they will be looking forward to bowling with our parish families. We encourage all of our families to attend and join us. We all had a great time.

## BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP



### LOVING FRANK BY NANCY HORAN

Thursday, February 19th  
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
Colbert Center

## ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS

The New Schedule is available on-line and in the priests' sacristy

Calendar of events



## CONGRATULATIONS

I am proud to announce that St. Anselm's Parish is once again one of the top ten parishes in our Diocese for generosity in the 2008 Annual Catholic Appeal.

Our Goal	\$100,700
Number of Pledges	449
Amount Received	\$135,521
<b>Amount Returned to the parish</b>	<b>\$ 34,821</b>

The overage returned to the parish is presently being used as we promised to upgrade the lighting in the Church. A special thank you from Bishop DiMarzio and myself to all who made a pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal in 2008. Your generosity has brightened the Diocese and our parish again. Thank you very much.

## SENATOR GOLDEN TO OFFER FREE TAX PREPARATION

Brooklyn State Senator Marty Golden is announcing that his district office, located at 7408 5th Avenue will again be providing free basic tax preparation service.

Appointments are available beginning February 5, 2009, and ending on Saturday, April 11. Appointments are available on Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and also Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The program is available to only residents of Senator Golden's district who earn less than \$42,000. An appointment is necessary and must be scheduled by calling Senator Golden's office at (718) 238-6044.

## DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Saturday, April 18, 2009, at Immaculate Conception Church located at 86-45 Edgerton Boulevard, JAMAICA, NY 11432. The Wedding Anniversary Mass will begin at 11:00 A.M.

All couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 40th and 50th anniversary are invited to attend with their families

To be registered for this celebration and to receive a personalized certificate from the Bishop, please contact St. Anselm's Rectory Office, 718-238-2900, on or before March 20, 2009.



## HONORING AND PRAYING FOR OUR OWN

May God protect and reward our parishioners serving our country during this time of war:



Pvt. Eddie Azzolino, LTJG Victor Baldoni, PFC Steven Giordano, Sgt. John J. Roache, Lcpt Patrick C. Waage, Cpt. Thomas Woolveton



*Monsignor Phillips*

We have a new Director of Music Ministry thanks to the hard work of the following: Fr. Kull, Fr. Gelfant, Mary Carmosino and John Staniszewski who spent all day January 19, 2009, the Martin Luther King Holiday, interviewing and evaluating the musical competency of 10 candidates. It was not an easy choice but our committee selected Mr. George Boyer. He brings a great deal of experience and skill to this assignment and we are looking forward to the end of February when he will begin his work here at St. Anselm Parish. We are very grateful to our interview committee and commend them for their generosity and the love and talent they brought to this important task.

In closing I am happy to report that Catholic Schools Week (January 25 - January 29) was a great success. I congratulate Ms. Linda Addonizio, our principal, our faculty and our Home School parents for all their hard work. We should be very proud of our excellent school and the wonderful opportunity it provides for our children to grow in faith and learning. God bless St. Anselm Catholic School.

## Tithes

Budgeted Weekly Expenses	\$13,000.00
Plate Offering 1/25/09	\$11,043.00
Faith Direct	2,000.00
	13,043.00
	+ \$ 43.00

Eastern Europe	
January 2009	\$3,147.00
January 2008	\$3,446.00

Thank you to all who increased their weekly offering to the parish. We are off to a good start in reaching our goal of a balanced budget. Let us pray that we will continue our good work. Again thank you.

### OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION THE MSGR. COLBERT CENTER Brother Robert 718-745-0077

**Parish Library** - Our library will be open on **Sunday, February 8, after the 10 AM Mass and every Thursday after the 11 AM Mass.** Books and videos in the areas of theology, scripture, and saints, are available for adults and children.

**Living The Word - Scripture Study of the Sunday Readings.** Come and explore the Pauline Epistles and grow closer to the Lord as we prepare for Mass. Wednesdays 8:30 A.M. - 9:30 A.M. or Wednesdays 7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. or Thursdays 12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.

## We Welcome Mr. George Boyer, M.M., Director of Music Ministry



GEORGE BOYER, an honor graduate of West Chester and Temple Universities, enjoyed a thirty year teaching career as Director of Choral Activities and instructor in music history and theory at Allen High School in Allentown, PA, the state's largest high school. He was a co-founder of the performing arts magnet division of the school, the Allentown Academy of the Arts. After his school retirement in 1999, he joined the staff at the International Headquarters of the Allen Organ Company, the world's largest builder of church organs. Serving as guest conductor, adjudicator and clinician for choral festivals, workshops and seminars, he has also been the musical and artistic director for the Bel

Canto Singers, the Allentown Symphony Orchestra Chorus, The Masterworks Chorale of Cedar Crest College, and the founding director of the popular Summer Harmony Men's Chorus. With his international award-winning Allen Chorale and as a former staff conductor for American MusicAbroad, he has presented concerts on tour all along the eastern seaboard, Canada and in thirteen European nations. He has conducted concerts and choral Masses at Notre Dame and the Church of the Madelene in Paris, the Duomo and Santa Croce in Florence, Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC and numerous occasions at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD. Mr. Boyer has been honored with the Allentown Arts Ovation Award, the Presser Foundation Award, the 1993 West Chester University Distinguished Alumnus Award and several citations from the Pennsylvania Senate and House of Representatives, the Pennsylvania Music Educator's Association and Who's Who Among American Educators. His students have gone on to careers at The Metropolitan and NYC Opera Companies, Broadway and major seats and positions in international symphony orchestras and universities.

**SAINT ANSELM  
PURGATORIAL  
SOCIETY  
ENROLLMENT**



Timothy Mayo  
Edward Sallusto  
Margaret "Meg" Kelly  
Mary Elizabeth Spitzer  
George & Mary Cresser  
Mary Lynch  
Rev. Edward F. Fallon & Family

John Malse  
Robert Rosolie  
Joseph McNamara  
Lawrence Shaw  
Roger Haggerty  
Casey Varisco



**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

**All who are ill are remembered in all of our prayers and Masses.**

Basconcelo Family, Terrence Begley, Anthony Castaldo, Marie Castaldo, Bob Clinton, Roberto Concepcion, Eileen Daly, Helen DeMairo, Joyce Sinapi Esposito, Kate Fitzpatrick, Sarah Fodera, Baby Chloe Grissith, David Herbert, Edward Jakubowski, John Johnson, Susan Kennedy, Rev. David Kessinger, Phyliss Kessinger, Baby Christina Khaled, Anthony & Florio Lettieri, Anthony & Teresa Manfredo, Ana Marsico, Julia Morris, Mary Nader, Rose Marie O'Keefe, Taylor Olson, Noreen Rammarione, James Thompson, Elizabeth Tolton, Eugene T. Walsh, Molly Zisk.

**PLEASE NOTE:** In the event of recovery or improvement, please contact the rectory. A person's name will be deleted after three weeks unless notification to remain is received.

**NOVENAS**

**Miraculous Medal with the relic of St. Catherine Labouré:** Mondays after 11:00AM Mass

**St. Anthony:** Tuesdays after the 11AM Mass

**St. Jude with the relic of St. Jude:** Wednesdays after 11:00AM Mass

**DEVOTIONS**

**Morning Prayer:** at 10:40AM in the Rosary Chapel.

**Rosary:** Prayed after 11:00AM Daily Mass in the Rosary Chapel.

**Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations:** Every Friday after the 11:00AM Mass until 2:45PM. Benediction at 3:00PM.

***Our Mission Statement***

*We, the Body of Christ: St. Anselm Parish in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, rejoice in our parish's more than 80 years of service to God, our Church, our country, and our community.*

*As Christ is Priest, Prophet, and King, we celebrate the sacramental life of the Church, proclaim the Word of God, and serve the needs of our parishioners and neighbors always with faith, hope, and charity.*

*Walking with Christ, we accept the challenge to call all people to worship, to teach all nations His Truth, and to love one another as He has loved us.*

**Mass Intentions**



**Sunday, February 1, 2009**

8:00 - John F. Mooney - Anniv.  
10:00 - Purgatorial Society  
12:00 - Mary Shea - Anniv.  
5:00 - Catherine Furey - Anniv.

**Monday, February 2, 2009**

6:35 - Pro Populo  
(For living & deceased people of St. Anselm)  
11:00 - Harry Freye & Rose & Louis Masi

**Tuesday, February 3, 2009**

6:35 - Maria & Joseph Vlasich  
11:00 - Anthony Marchese

**Wednesday, February 4, 2009**

6:35 - Sean Merkent  
11:00 - Marie Coppola - Birth.

**Thursday, February 5, 2009**

6:35 - Mary & Michael Phillips  
11:00 - Modiste, Frank, Raymond & Richard Bergamini

**Friday, February 6, 2009**

6:35 - John J. Johnson  
11:00 - Walter Mead - Birth.

**Saturday, February 7, 2009**

11:00 - Gaetana Sepe  
5:00 - Maria & Gaspare Napoli - Anniv.

**Sunday, February 8, 2009**

8:00 - Mr. Shelly Rothman  
10:00 - Purgatorial Society  
12:00 - Maria & Rocco Lozzo  
5:00 - Thomas J. X. Hart