



St. Anselm's Pastoral Plan

Your Church - Your Parish - Your

In response to a challenge from Bishop DiMarzio, the St. Anselm Pastoral Planning Council (PPC) began its work in Fall 2006. Over the next year, the council members met with parishioners through One-to-One conversations, at parish assemblies and other reflection sessions to determine ways to improve our parish. Based on all the suggestions of parishioners, the Parish Plan of four goals and specific activities for each was developed and finalized in October 2007. Since that time, much has been accomplished as can be seen from the information in this brochure but now is the time for us as a parish to look again to the future even as we celebrate the achievements of the first Plan.

OUR PARISH PLAN GOALS:

ENHANCING WORSHIP

LIFE-LONG FAITH FORMATION

COMMUNICATION

RESPONDING TO THE NEEDS OF PARISHIONERS

ENHANCING WORSHIP

The original idea of school designated Masses and Sunday Religious Education has been greatly expanded and enhanced. A monthly Mass at 11:00 A.M. during school hours has been initiated. The seventh grade students in our Religious Education program now attend class on Sunday at 8:30 A.M. and worship at the 10:00 A.M. Mass. The entire Confirmation class meets several times a year with the priests for faith formation and participate in the Cluster Youth Day. Still being developed are plans for after-Mass social gatherings and greetings to those entering week-end Masses.

LIFE-LONG FAITH FORMATION

A very well-received Parish Resource Library has been established in the Colbert Center. Books and videos on Christ, Mary, scripture, prayer and the saints for both adults and children are available. The library schedule is published regularly in the bulletin.

A most successful Block Rosary program was initiated. Weekly, a beautiful statue of our Blessed Mother is shared with a host family who conducts appropriate praying of the rosary activities for family and friends. This program has been so well received both within and outside our parish that there is an extended waiting list to be a host family.

Samples of two daily reflection/devotional guides available by subscription were provided at Masses in the Spring 2009. Information about how to subscribe was included in the bulletin for those who might be interested.

Pastoral Planning Council Members

Msgr. Maloney	Fr. Kull	Deacon Davis
Florence Diaz	Ed Moderacki	Siobhan Funaro
Caitlin Nolan	Mary Gelormino	Nancy Nolan
Bob Hauck	John Quaglione	Bob Kassenbrock
Lynne Savage	Marie Lennon	Fred Trabulsi
Eileen Loughlin	Dan Texeira	Linda Addonisio

Pastoral Planning Schedule 2009–2010

November 2009 — Installation of PPC Members

January 2010— Informational Highlights

February 2010—Open Forum

March 2010—One-to-One Conversations

April 2010—Parish Assembly

May 2010—Development of Updated Parish Plan

June 2010—Parish Plan Finalized for

2010-2011 Implementation

COMMUNICATION ABOUT PARISH LIFE

The Publicity/Communication Committee is striving constantly to share the exciting events occurring in St. Anselm Parish. Through their efforts, St. Anselm activities and news have been covered more regularly and extensively in our local Bay Ridge newspapers such as the Home Reporter/Spectator, Brooklyn Eagle, Bay Ridge Courier and the "Tablet", our Diocesan Newspaper.

The wonderful St. Anselm History/Church Guide booklet was so overwhelmingly well-received that it is in its second printing of a thousand copies. The committee continues to collect additional information for inclusion in future editions, and is working to determine the best way to make the publication available online.

RESPONDING TO THE NEEDS OF PARISHIONERS

The economic climate of the last months resulted in a new objective being added to our Plan. The St. Anselm Workforce Ministry responded by hosting two employment-related events. The first provided valuable employment information from the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce and Opportunities for a Better Tomorrow. The most recent focused on resume writing and the latest techniques and strategies necessary for today's job market.

Support to bereaved families in our parish is being provided now through the Consolation Ministry. These dedicated volunteers extend the parish's condolences at wakes, assist the families in planning all aspects of the Funeral Mass, and provide support and guidance during the Funeral Mass.

One original objective, publishing a Resource Directory, was removed from the Plan because it was duplicative of other services already available through various agencies. Research also showed that the idea of an Intergenerational Program did not generate enough interest to pursue.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING NOVEMBER 26, 2009

Dear Friends,

As we all prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving Day, I would like to invite you all to begin your celebration by joining us at our **Thanksgiving Mass on Thursday at 10:00 A.M.** We all have our reasons for giving thanks, and it all begins with giving thanks to Almighty God. As we celebrate this day at the Altar, I will remember all of you as I give thanks for the sacrifices you make in your support of our parish. On behalf of all of the parish staff I wish you a very Happy Thanksgiving and I hope that you will be able to join us at the Thanksgiving Day Mass.

- Msgr. John Maloney

The Rectory Office will be closed Thursday, November 26th and Friday November 27th.

THE PARISH GIVING TREE



Gift Tags will be available on November 21st and 22nd. We invite you to take **ONE TAG PER FAMILY.**

All gift tags are colored coded; please attach the tag to your unwrapped gift (No guns for children please). Gift Bags are acceptable wrapping, but please do not seal them. All gifts must be unwrapped before distribution

YOUR GIFT IS TO BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 13. GIFTS WILL BE COLLECTED AFTER ALL THE MASSES ON THE 12th AND THE 13th.

SANTA'S HELPERS ARE NEEDED FOR THIS COLLECTION. IF YOU ARE AVAILABLE, PLEASE CALL MY OFFICE 718 836-0890. God bless you for your generosity especially during these difficult times. Sr. Regina Corde, O.P.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

As customary, we are asking for donations to our **Christmas Flower Fund.** Envelopes are available in Church and may be returned in the collection basket. All we ask is that you indicate in a clear and firm script, printing preferred, your name and address and the name of the one in whose memory the donation is being made. This is a free will offering.



FINANCIAL		For the Weekend of Nov. 14th/Nov. 15th	
		Weekly Expenses	\$13,000.00
		Plate Offering	\$11,098.00
		Faith Direct	\$ 2,000.00
		Total Parish Collection	13,098 .00
			+ \$ 98.00
		Parish Collection - 11/15-16/08	\$11,815.00

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

Parish Library - Will be open Sunday, Nov. 22 after the 10am Mass, Wednesdays at 7:00pm, Thursdays after the 11am Mass (closed Nov. 25 & 26). Books and videos are available on Jesus, Mary, scripture, prayer and the saints for adults and children.

Living The Word - *Scripture Study of the Sunday Mass Readings.* Come and explore the Bible in the Catholic tradition. Mondays: 12:30pm, Wednesdays: 7:00pm, Thursdays: 12:00pm

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - Have you thought about becoming a Catholic? Classes are every Wednesday at 7:00 pm. All are welcome.

Confirmation of Adults - Did you get baptized and receive your first communion, but not the sacrament of Confirmation? Sunday classes for those in high school and adults of all ages begin on February 21.

TREES OF LIGHTS

We will continue to light six Trees of Lights for your intentions to be placed in the sanctuary of the church. Each light can be dedicated. This is a very unique and thoughtful gift giving opportunity which people will love to receive. All intentions will be remembered at our Tree of Lights Remembrance Mass, January 1, 2010, at 12:00 noon. Forms will be available at the rectory or in the church Thanksgiving weekend. Monsignor Maloney will bless and light the trees at the Christmas Midnight Mass.



HONORING AND PRAYING FOR OUR OWN



May God protect and reward our parishioners serving our country during this time of war: LTJG Victor Baldoni, PFC Steven Giordano, Sgt. John J. Roache, Cpl. Patrick C. Waage

**SAINT ANSELM
PURGATORIAL
SOCIETY
ENROLLMENT**



Martin Pocchia
Margaret O'Connor
Edward Thomas Reilly
Paatrick Goodwin
Msgr. Frank Fitzgibbon
Helen Williams
Alfred Ferragari

William Murphy
Victoria Tesoriero
Marie Rabuse
Rita Fitzgibbon
Msgr. Ray Shevlin
Vincent McCormack
Martha Batista



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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

Bridget Beck, Patricia Bennett, Suzanne Boutross, Joann Cama, Eileen Daly, Ellen Dineen, Evelyn Diaz, John DeCicco, Peter Ferguson, Baby Jessica Gallagher, Patricia Garry, Betty Gimbel, Krzysztof Gworek, Matthew Houston, Sandra Kelly, Susan Kennedy, Rev. David Kessinger, Phyliss Kessinger, Baby Christina Khaled, Brenda Latronica, Brooke Latronica, Floria Lettieri, Roseann Lettieri, Ted Macri, John J. Maloney III, Teresa Manfredo, Eileen McClung, Gerald Parrott, Joe Pezza, Jennifer Ramsawack, Joyce Mari Sinapi, John Stellwaggen, Elizabeth Tolton, Mary Touhey, 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 11:00 AM Mass

St. Anthony: Tuesdays after the 11AM Mass with relic on first Tuesdays

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, November 22, 2009

8:00 - Daniel & Mary Villani
10:00 - Purgatorial Society
12:00 - Fidele, Josephine & Angelo Gnerre
5:00 - Leonard A. Johnson

Monday, November 23, 2009

6:35 - Pro Populo
(For living & deceased people of St. Anselm)
11:00 - Frances Marino - Anniv.

Tuesday, November 24, 2009

6:35 - Joseph K. Kelly
11:00 - Patrick Roche

Wednesday, November 25, 2009

6:35 - Dec. Membs. Frankola & Smilovich Family
11:00 - Mary & William Shea

Thursday, November 26, 2009

10:00 - In Memory of Deceased Benefactors of St. Anselm

Friday, November 27, 2009

11:00 - Dec. Friends of Penny Troy

Saturday, November 28, 2009

11:00 - Henry Moderacki - Birth.
5:00 - Nicholas Camberlange - Anniv.

Sunday, November 29, 2009

8:00 - John Dibblee - Anniv.
10:00 - Purgatorial Society
12:00 - Helen & Lawrence Lehane
5:00 - Yolanda Gaglia - Anniv.