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MASSES THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Sunday	13 August	8:00pm	For the parish
Our Lady	Sunday	13 August	9:15am	Jan & Anastazja Wieliczko (Foundation Mass)
Our Lady	Monday	14 August	7:00pm	All souls
Our Lady	Tuesday	15 August	7.00pm	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Our Lady	Wednesday	16 August	6:00pm	For the sick
Our Lady	Saturday	19 August	10:00am	Sister Kathleen Moore
St Anselm	Sunday	20 August	8:00am	For the parish
Our Lady	Sunday	20 August	9:15am	Maciesza Family (Foundation Mass)

OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

Our Lady	Tuesday	15 August	1:00pm	Parish Prayer Time and Exposition
St Anselm	Tuesday	15 August	7:00pm	Prayer Group and Exposition
Our Lady	Thursday	17 August	1:00pm	Holy Hour with Chaplet and Novena

Feast Days. Monday - St Maximilian Kolbe, Tuesday – Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (**Holy Day of Obligation**)

Prayer Advocates' Intention to pray to ask for Our Lady's prayers and intercession for the world.

Next Week's Liturgy of the Word. Isaiah 56:1.6-7, Ps 66:2-3.5-6.8. R.v4, Romans 11:13-15.29-32, Matthew 15:21-28.

Last week's collections. Our Lady: £ 266.85 St. Anselm: £574.20 in addition to £102 from standing orders. Thank you for your continued generosity!

Please pray for our sick and elderly. Gillian Brockway, Bernard Weston, Kate Gosshawk, Mary Percival, Felicidade Hatcher, Pat Langerdon, Betty Picknell, Sonia Borucki and Joan Ritchie.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR. THEME: COURAGE! IT IS !! DO NOT BE AFRAID...'

"To have courage for whatever comes in life – everything lies in that." – St. Teresa of Avila.

The world we live in often seems very far from the one promised us by Faith. Our faith tells us that when we believe shall see the Glory of God. Rather we experience evil and suffering, injustice and death that seem to contradict the GOOD NEWS of Faith. These events can shake our faith and become a temptation against it. (CCC#164)

The situation of the disciples in the boat is not different from our modern situation. One would think that the disciples, having seen the demonstration of Jesus' power in the multiplication of loaves and fish would have been confident that Jesus surely could save them from the fury of the storm. Unfortunately, they believed in their own fears than believing in Jesus Christ. Like the disciples, we tend to forget the significance of Jesus' work in our lives. We are inclined to believe in our own fears than in the power and the promises of Jesus.

Jesus invites us to be focused on him alone and not on the strong winds of life. The strong winds of life will surely frighten us. Even though Christ enlightens us by what we believe, faith is often lived in darkness and can be put to the test. When we seem to be overwhelmed by the storms of life such as frequent unexplained deaths in our families and sickness, we are to call out to Jesus like Peter; "Lord, save me".

The Shrine. The decorating of the inside of the Shrine has finished and everyone is welcome to join in each week for Holy Hour on Thursday afternoons, 1-2pm. Our Holy Mother Church calls us to come to Jesus Christ, the Son of God. In response to our petition, Mary, the mother of God, offers to teach us how to pray with our hearts and not only with our lips. "For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love embracing both trial and joy." – St Therese of Lisieux (1873-1897).

Congratulations! On 20 August, it will be the 11th anniversary of Fr Jerry's ordination. Please keep him in your prayers.

Thank you. Thank you for your very generous response to the request for items for the Re:store food bank based at Central Vineyard Church in Northampton. A huge number of food, domestic and baby items have been taken in and Re:store is hugely appreciative of your support and generosity. There is a letter of thanks from the Food Bank in the porch at the back of both churches.

Make a difference in our schools with CAFOD. Retiring soon or have some time? CAFOD is looking for people to inspire and empower children and young people in our Catholic schools to act on their sense of justice by giving assemblies and/or workshops. All training is provided and travel cost reimbursed. We would love to hear from you or someone you know who might be interested: northampton@cafod.org.uk or 01844 274 723. (DBS checks are a prerequisite for these posts.)

Planned giving envelopes. For those parishioners who sometimes attend Mass at the Cathedral, please note that the Cathedral no longer send envelopes from other Parishes back. So if you occasionally attend Sunday Mass there, please do not put our parish envelopes into the collection, but save them until you are next here.

Feast of St Gregory: The Feast of St Gregory falls every year on 3rd September, which this year falls on a Sunday. This day is also the day on which the church was consecrated in 2004. The celebration of the anniversary of the consecration of the church is celebrated on the Sunday, and we will be celebrating the feast of St Gregory on the Friday evening, 1st September, with Mass at 7pm and usual reception afterwards. This year they are also celebrating the 70th anniversary of the establishing of the parish, and Bishop Peter will be celebrating the Mass, together with the priests of the Pastoral Area. Everyone is welcome to join them.

Eucharistic Adoration at Sacred Heart: Following recent thefts, and as a number of their regular 'watchers' are on holiday during the next few weeks and they do not want to have just one person on their own, they have regrettably decided to reduce the hours for adoration until September. **Adoration will only be on Mondays from 10am – 12pm and not on Saturdays.** They will review the situation for September.