



# Diocesan Shrine & Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour & St. Anselm

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## MASSES THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Sunday	16 April	8.00pm
Our Lady	Sunday	16 April	9.15am
Our Lady	Monday	17 April	7.00pm
Our Lady	Wednesday	19 April	
Our Lady	Saturday	22 April	10.00am
St Anselm	Sunday	23 April	8.00am
Our Lady	Sunday	23 April	9.15am

**Easter Sunday;** For the parish

**Easter Sunday;** Eric & Annie Clements (Foundation Mass)

All souls

**There will be no Mass today**

Fr James Mullett (Foundation Mass) Followed by Exposition

**Divine Mercy Sunday;** For the parish

**Divine Mercy Sunday;** Patricia & Gerard Green  
(Foundation Mass)

## OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

Our Lady	Tuesday	18 April	1.00pm	Parish Prayer Time and Exposition
St Anselm	Tuesday	18 April	7.00pm	Prayer Group and Exposition
Our Lady	Thursday	20 April	1.00pm	Holy Hour with Chaplet and Novena

**Prayer Advocates' Intention** to pray that we may be fully open to the graces and blessing of Easter.

**Next Week's Liturgy of the Word.** Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47, Ps 117:2-4.13-15.22-24.R.v1, St Peter 1:3-9, John 20:19-31

**Last week's collections.** Our Lady: £278.57 St. Anselm: £272.70 in addition to £102 from standing orders. Thank you for your continued generosity!

**This week's collection:** Your offering for the priests of the parish.

### From the desk of Fr Jerry. EASTER SUNDAY. "....he must rise from the dead...."

"The great gift of Easter is hope – Christian hope which makes us have that confidence in God, in his ultimate triumph, and in his goodness and love, which nothing can shake."- Basil C. Hume.

On this Easter Sunday, we celebrate Christ's victory over sin and death. We sing and even shout "Alleluia" to the Jesus Christ, who suffered, died on the cross, was buried, rose triumphantly and brought new life to creation.

The empty tomb alone is not an enough proof for us Christians that the Lord has risen. It serves to gradually bring us to faith in the Lord's words that he will suffer, die and rise again. Mary of Magdala is clearly baffled about the empty tomb and fails to believe in the resurrection like Peter. She obviously concludes that the body might have been taken away.

Nevertheless, the positioning of the linen cloth and the head cloth cannot substantiate an action by grave looters.

It is important for us to note that in the midst of the confusion, it is the beloved disciple, the paradigm of faith for all believers who "sees and believes". He sees the positioning of the linen cloth and the head cloth and concludes that the Lord has risen. Like the beloved disciples, Christians are to undertake the journey of coming to believe in the Lord who is risen. May the resurrection of Christ set us free from the spirit of Hopelessness.

**Terry Purslow.** Please pray for Terry who was a devoted member of our parish for many years before moving to Cambridge. Terry has recently had a serious stroke.

**Traidcraft.** The stall raised a total of £67.35p and 10% of this will be given to the SVP. Also, donations of £50 will be sent to Traidcraft Exchange. Thank you for your continued generosity.

**Graveyard Tidy up.** Many thanks to those who helped last week in the Catholic cemetery – it now looks a lot tidier and many more of the graves look more loved. Please feel free at any time to go there and do half an hour's weeding to keep on top of things.

**Blue Envelopes.** Not everyone was at the Mass when we distributed the boxes of envelopes for this year. Boxes not collected have been left in the porch at Our Lady's. If you are missing yours or do not have a box but would like one please contact Lorraine in the office.

**Grass behind Our Lady's.** The lawn needs mowing every two weeks during the summer and we need help keeping on top of it. If you can give 1½ hours for some healthy exercise every now and then it would help in sharing the load. Please ring James Bellamy on 01604 811517 if you have a little time for this.

**Institute booking.** The Institute is now being cleaned every two weeks by an external cleaning company and sometimes this will happen in the evening. If you wanting to use the Institute for a meeting or event then please make sure Lorraine has your date booked in the diary.