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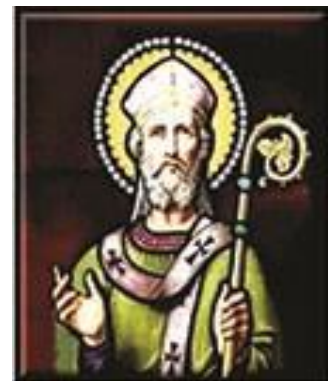
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MASSES THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Sunday	18 June	8:00pm	For the parish
Our Lady	Sunday	18 June	9:15am	Reg Anstey (Foundation Mass)
Our Lady	Monday	19 June	7:00pm	No Mass today
Our Lady	Wednesday	21 June	6:00pm	No Mass today
Our Lady	Saturday	24 June	10:00am	Ross & Sheila Watson (Foundation Mass) and Exposition
St Anselm	Sunday	25 June	8:00am	For the parish
Our Lady	Sunday	25 June	9:15am	Anna Hayes (Foundation Mass)

OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

Our Lady	Tuesday	20 June	1:00pm	Parish Prayer Time and Exposition
St Anselm	Tuesday	20 June	7:00pm	Prayer Group and Exposition
Our Lady	Thursday	22 June	1:00pm	Holy Hour with Chaplet and Novena

Prayer Advocates' Intention to pray for the children who are making their First Communion, and their families.

Next Week's Liturgy of the Word. Jeremiah 20:10-13, Ps 68:8-10.14.17.33-35 Rv14, Romans 5:12-15, Matthew 10:26-33.

Last week's collections. Our Lady: £224.37 St. Anselm: £209.70 in addition to £102 from standing orders. Thank you for your continued generosity!

This week's second collection. Day for life. The collection helps to assist the work of the Anscombe Bioethics Centre and other life-related activities supported by the Church which work to protect life at every stage and every condition. There are prayer cards/leaflets with more information at the back of the church.

Please pray for our sick. Gillian Brockway, Bernard Weston, Kate Gosshawk, Mary Percival, Felicidade Hatcher, Pat Langerdon, Betty Picknell and Betty & Denis Williams.

THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST Theme: I AM THE LIVING BREAD

The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ celebrates God's presence among humanity in his Son Jesus Christ whose greatest desire is to share intimately in our lives. In a depersonalised society, people suffer from absence where there should be present. People hunger and thirst for companionship, love, concern, understanding and respect. Jesus wants to be present to us with all the concern and love of a friend for a friend. He wants to strengthen us and be there for us.

Jesus affirms that the one who partakes in his body and blood will have eternal life. It is important to note that the words "flesh", "body" and "blood" stand for the whole person. Jesus, therefore, invites us to share in an intimate relationship with him through the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Without such an encounter with Jesus, we are lifeless. At the human level, intimate relationship is very important for our emotional and mental well-being. Without a chain of close relationship with relatives, friends and well-wishers our life will be stale and filled with stress. Jesus Christ, therefore, insists that continuous encounter with him through the Sacrament of his Body and Blood strengthens us to experience real life, that is, everlasting life. He establishes this relationship on the relationship that exists between him and his Father: "As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me" (Jn. 6:57).

Let us reverently avail ourselves to share in so great an intimacy with Jesus Christ, in his Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity during the Eucharist so that we may have life in its fullness.

Toilet key. Could whoever has removed the toilet key from the hook in the porch return it urgently please.

Corpus Christi. Our annual Corpus Christi celebration and procession will be taking place at 3pm this Sunday 18 June at Our Lady's, Great Billing. This is an important event for our parish and our pastoral area and we do need help from members of the parish to make it a success. It would be lovely to see as many of our parishioners there as possible.

SVP Pilgrimage to Walsingham. The annual SVP Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place on Sunday 2 July 2017. A coach with a tail lift will leave the Great Billing turn on the A45 Wellingborough Road at 8.15am and then collect from Earls Barton library at 8.30am. The pilgrimage leaves Walsingham at 5pm and will return at around 7.30/8.00pm. For those who are sick, the sacrament of the sick will be made available during the pilgrimage. Cost is £15.00 per person or £5.00 per child. Any surplus raised will go to the SVP conference funds. You will need to bring a packed lunch and suitable clothing. To book your place, please complete one of the booking forms at the back of each church or from any member of the local SVP to ensure you are included, on 07802 878518 and our e-mail is svp@ourladyandstanselm.org

Painting at Our Lady's. We need another week to complete the painting of the church. Prayer Groups will need to continue using the Institute and the church will be open as normal on Saturdays and Sundays. If anyone is free each Friday afternoon from 3.30pm to help clean the church for the weekends that any help will be appreciated.

Prayer Request. Please pray for all the children preparing for their First Holy Communion and Confirmation this year.

Dates to Note. The Parish Tea will be held on Saturday 15 July 2017 from 3pm and will be held in the church garden at Our Lady's – notices are at the back of each church to help give us an idea of numbers. On Friday 14 July 2017 between 1pm and 4pm we will also be holding another afternoon in the cemetery - any help as always would be welcomed!

Traidcraft. The Traidcraft stall raised £53.30p 10% of which will be given to the SVP. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Blue Envelopes. Please note that should you attend another church on certain Sundays then you can use your Great Billing blue envelope for the collection and it will find its way back to our parish and our bank account.

Rosary Link for Vocations: At St Gregory's with 7.30pm Mass followed by Rosary on Wednesday 14 June. All welcome to join us to pray for vocations and in loving memory of Fr Damien Walne.

Anointing Mass. The Cathedral SVP are holding an Anointing Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday 17 June at 11am followed by a light buffet. All are very welcome to attend.

CAFOD retreat. A wonderful chance to reflect and contemplate some of the deeper messages which Pope Francis has spoken out on poverty, inequality and the global family. We will look at ways we can reconnect our lives to the values of the Gospel in our homes and parishes. This retreat has inspired so many people already. Saturday 1 July at St Edwards Hall, 2 The Grove, Kettering NN15 7QQ, 10am – 3pm with a shared lunch. Please book a place northampton@cafod.org.uk or 01844 274723.

Samuels Christian Nursery. Outstanding in all areas since 2007. They are opening in two new locations from September 2017: Abington Community Centre and Kingsthorpe Baptist Church. For more information call 07722 939421 or visit the website www.samuelsnursery.co.uk.

Columban missionary shares his experience in Peru - 12 July 2017. CAFOD is delighted to have Fr Peter visit our diocese. Fr Peter is an Irish Columban priest who has spent most of his life as a missionary based in Lima, Peru. He is a close collaborator of Gustavo Gutierrez and is active throughout Latin America as a consultant to national and regional Church bodies. Come and listen to Fr Peter and hear about our latest campaign: Holy Ghost parish centre (the lounge room), 33 Westbourne Road, Beech Hill, Luton LU4 8JD. 7pm (refreshments) for 7.30pm start till 8.30pm.