



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

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## MASSES THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Sunday	25 February	8.00am	Deceased members of the Mullins Family
Our Lady	Sunday	25 February	9.15am	Mikolaj & Wanda Galan (Foundation Mass)
Our Lady	Monday	26 February	6.00pm	<b>No Mass today</b>
Our Lady	Wednesday	28 February	6.00pm	<b>No Mass today</b>
Our Lady	Saturday	3 March	10.00am	Ralph & Joyce Burgess (Foundation Mass) & Exposition
St Anselm	Sunday	4 March	8.00am	William & Mary Weston (Foundation Mass)
Our Lady	Sunday	4 March	9.15am	For the parish

## OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Tuesday	27 February	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross
Our Lady	Wednesday	28 February	2.00pm	Stations of the Cross and Prayer at the Shrine. Experience the peace and power of silent prayer.
St Anselm	Friday	2 March	2.00pm	Women's World Day of Prayer

**Diocesan Year of Prayer & Vocation 2018:** February's Intention: For Consecrated Life and their vocation within the church.

**Pope Francis' Special Intention:** February: Say "No" to Corruption: That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

**Next Week's Liturgy of the Word.** Exodus 20:1-3.7-8.12-17, Ps 18:8-11.R.Jn6:68, Corinthians 1:22-25, John 2:13-25.

**Last Week's collections.** Our Lady: £234.50 St. Anselm: £182.50 in addition to £85 from standing orders. Thank you!

**This Week's second collection.** CAFOD Fast Day.

**Please pray for our sick and elderly.** Gillian Brockway, Bernard Weston, Mary Percival, Felicidade Hatcher, Pat Landergan, Betty Picknell, Sonia Borucki, Ian Smith, Dennis Williams and Bob Standing.

**2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT. Theme:** There in the presence of the disciples Christ was transfigured.

The story of the Transfiguration of Jesus in Mark's Gospel follows Jesus' declaration of his impending death and resurrection. The announcement of his suffering and resurrection perplexed the disciples and somewhat scandalized them. Through the Transfiguration, Jesus reassured his disciples, strengthen their faith by a divine revelation. He gave them a glimpse of his future heavenly glory.

The Transfiguration was very important in the faith-journey of the disciples. It was a foretaste of the glorious life that awaits those who follow Jesus faithfully by carrying their cross. It was meant to refresh and encourage the disciples to continue their lives with Jesus. Peter was so overwhelmed that he said in his ecstasy: "It is wonderful for us to be here...! He did not know what to say". It is also good for to be there, the Mountain of Glory, we are away from the attractions and cares of this world. Today' Christians are the disciples of Christ. We must continuously follow him and listen to his voice. We must be instructed, comforted and refreshed by Jesus, for us to experience even now a taste of the glory that awaits us.

**Teresa Lovelady RIP** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Teresa Lovelady who died recently. Her body will be received into Sacred Heart on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 5pm and her funeral is on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 12.30pm.

**Anthonia Trezise RIP:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Toni Trezise who died recently. Her body will be received into Sacred Heart on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 5.30pm and her funeral is on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 11am.

**Joan & David Abel** have been coming to mass at Earls Barton for many years now and have taken the decision to leave our spiritual family here in the parish and move to Rugby where they will be closer to their daughter. They will greatly missed at mass, wish them the very best for the future and we will include them in our prayers.

**Cemetery tidy up.** We have agreed to join up with a working party from St Andrew's Church to work on the area behind the church adjoining the cemetery and we could do with as many able hands as possible. The date is Saturday 10 March and we start at 10am and will be finished well before 1pm. Please join us.

**Blue Envelopes.** New boxes for this year will be handed out after Mass on Sunday 11 March. If you are interested in joining this very tax effective scheme for regular giving then please ask James Bellamy for a form on the day.

**SVP Phone Number.** Please note that we have had to change our phone number, our new number is 07568 313234. Please contact the SVP on this number from now on.

**Help please.** The SVP have a couple of families that are in desperate need of some furniture, if anyone has a single bed, a cot, stair gate or any other items of furniture including white goods, please contact the SVP on the email or number at the top of the newsletter. Thank you.

**Parish Prayer Time.** From now on, the Parish Prayer groups that took place on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Our Lady's will no longer take place. Prayer at the Shrine on Wednesday at 2pm will be led by Deacon Peter or any other member of the clergy. Please note that the church is always open to any group who wish to pray.

**Mass and Rosary for Vocations.** Wednesday 7 March 2018. There will be a Mass for Fr Damien at 6pm followed by Rosary and Exposition at 6.30pm. There will be refreshments in the hall afterwards.

**Diocesan Directories.** 2018 Diocesan Directories are available for £5 at the back of the churches.

**Women's World Day of Prayer.** On Friday 2 March at 2pm at St Anselm's. This year the service has been written by the women of Suriname in South America. Everyone is welcome to join us.

**Billing Women's World Day of Prayer.** This will be held at All Saints Church, Little Billing on Friday 2 March at 7pm. See poster for details.

**Helping Our Parishes Pass on the Faith.** A day of exploring resources for evangelisation and catechesis at St. Teresa's Church Hall, Beaconsfield, Bucks on 17<sup>th</sup> March. All are welcome especially catechists, members of Timeline groups and parish evangelisation teams. The day begins at 10am and finishes at 4pm. For further information please contact Catherine Mulligan on 07732636304 or Alex Heath at NORES on 01582 723312.

**Diocesan Mass for Married Life.** Celebrated by Bishop Peter on Saturday 3 March at 12 noon at Holy Family Catholic Church, Trelawney Ave, Langley, Slough SL3 7UD. Gathering from 11.30am. Bishop Peter will give his pastoral blessing to couples celebrating milestones in their marriage. If you are celebrating such a milestone, please contact Eamonn & Paola Mc Morrow on 07412 151517 or mfl@northamptondiocese.com. All are welcome to attend. Refreshments available after Mass.

**St Gregory's Catholic Primary School.** There are some vacancies at the school. Please see the school website for more details: [www.stgregoryscatholicprimaryschool.org.uk](http://www.stgregoryscatholicprimaryschool.org.uk)

Stations of the Cross	Every week during Lent	Fridays <b>7.00pm</b> at Sacred Heart Wednesdays <b>2.00pm</b> at Our Lady's Tuesdays <b>7.00pm</b> at St Anselm's	Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
Palm Sunday	25 March	Normal Sunday Mass times	Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
Maundy Thursday	29 March	<b>7.00pm</b> at Sacred Heart <b>7.00pm</b> at Our Lady's	Thursday of the Lord's Supper. Renewal of commitments of Eucharistic Ministers
Good Friday	30 March	<b>3.00pm</b> at Sacred Heart <b>3.00pm</b> at Our Lady's	Friday of the Passion of the Lord
Holy Saturday	31 March	<b>8.00pm</b> at Sacred Heart	Blessing of Fire and Easter Vigil
Easter Sunday	1 April	Normal Sunday Mass times	Mass and Renewal of Baptismal vows.