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MASSES THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Sunday	15 April	8.00am	For the parish
Our Lady	Sunday	15 April	9.15am	Eric & Annie Clements (Foundation Mass)
Our Lady	Monday	16 April	6.00pm	All souls
Our Lady	Wednesday	18 April	6.00pm	For the sick
Our Lady	Saturday	21 April	10.00am	Fr James Mullett (Foundation Mass) & Exposition
St Anselm	Sunday	22 April	8.00am	For the parish
Our Lady	Sunday	22 April	9.15am	Patricia & Gerard Green (Foundation Mass)

OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Tuesday	17 April	7.00pm	Prayer Group & Exposition.
Our Lady	Wednesday	18 April	2.00pm	Prayer at the Shrine. Experience the peace & power of silent prayer.

Diocesan Year of Prayer & Vocation 2018. April: celebrating our Baptismal Vocation especially the contribution of single people to the Church.

Pope Francis' Special Intention. April: For those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters. That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

Next Week's Liturgy of the Word. Apostles 4:8-12. Ps 117:1.8-9.21-23.26.28-29.R.v22, St John 3:1-2, John 10:11-18.

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.

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER. Theme: They recognize Jesus at the breaking of bread.

'To be a witness to Christ is to be witness to his Resurrection, is to have eaten and drunk with him after he rose from the dead' (CCC.995)

The hustle and bustle of life sometimes blind us to the extent that we fail to recognize Jesus Christ. The two disciples on their way to Emmaus were wallowing in their despondency about Jesus not meeting their expectation as the Messiah. Hence, they failed to recognize Jesus Christ until the breaking of bread.

We sometimes find ourselves in the hustle and bustle of life. These conditions make us despondent like the two disciples in the gospel. We feel dejected by the church because our expectations are not met. We sometimes feel quite disappointed with the decision of the clergy etc. Yet, during these moments of crisis, Jesus journeys with us, patiently explaining the Scriptures to us. However, unless we are prepared to welcome him into our hearts through our little acts of charity, he may walk away unnoticed and unwelcomed.

Christ evidently gives us evidence of his presence in our lives through the events of life, the reading of Scriptures, celebration of the liturgy and works of charity. 'I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come into you and eat with you, and you with me.' (Rev. 3:21).

As Christians, our prayer is that we shall rise like Christ, with him and through him.

Mass to celebrate married life. The annual Mass to celebrate married life, which was postponed due to inclement weather on the 3rd March 2018, will now take place at 12 noon on Saturday 14 April 2018 at The Holy Family Catholic Church, 226 Trelawney Ave. Langley, Slough, SL3 7UD. All are welcome to attend and if you are celebrating a significant milestone, and haven't already done so - please contact Eamonn & Paola McMorrow mfl@northamptondiocese.com or telephone 07412151517.

Fundraising Jazz and Swing Evening: Friday 20 April, 7.30pm-10pm St Francis & Therese Catholic Church, Overslade Close, Northampton, in aid of CAFOD and Anthony Nolan Trust. Tickets £12.50 from Anne Marie Newton on 858549 or Fr Brendan Killeen on 768483.

Pilgrimage to Aylesford Priory: On Saturday 5th May 2018, a coach will leave St Gregory's Church at 8.00am and return at approx. 7.45pm. Cost £12.00. Please bring a picnic lunch to have after Mass at 12.00noon. Rosary procession through the beautiful grounds at 3.00pm. All welcome. To book a place contact: Maureen Salter – 01604 315112

St George's Charity Dinner and Dance: Saturday, 21st April. Tickets for the Catenian's Annual Black Tie Charity Dinner Dance are now on sale priced £40 for a three-course meal with wine starting at 7.00pm at the Marriot Hotel, Eagle Drive, Northampton with dancing from 10.00pm to midnight. For tickets and further details speak to any member of the Catenian Circle, email frank_sudlow@yahoo.co.uk or Tel/Txt 07712 160 064

CAFOD - Share the Journey: Date for your diary - Sunday 10th June

Pope Francis has launched Share the Journey, a new global campaign to stand up for the rights of people on the move. Cafod asks us to join together in walking around the world. On **10th June** we will walk in solidarity with our global neighbours

fleeing their homes. We will be walking around the reservoir at Sywell Country Park – a distance of only 2.5 miles. The miles we walk will be added to the total from across England and Wales. Please make a note of the date and prepare to join us for a Sunday afternoon walk. Further details nearer the time. If you wish to know more please contact Val Sudlow - vsudlow@yahoo.co.uk

CAFOD: “Thank you for your support to our Lent Fast Day appeal. Donations to CAFOD until 12th May will be doubled by the UK Government. We have planned a £5 million programme to combat malnutrition - and with it we hope to be able to reach 245,000 people. But we need the full amount of match funding to make it happen. You can help us reach the full amount needed for this crucial programme. We still have some way to go yet! To donate please go to cafod.org.uk/lent or call 0303 303 3030.”

ADOREMUS EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS: Friday 7th September 2018 to Sunday 9th September at The ACC Convention Centre, Liverpool and Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral. Friday: Speakers and presentations on: The Scriptural Context; the Eucharist in the life of the Church; teaching the Eucharist; preparing Children for the Sacraments of Initiation; the ministry of the Eucharist in hospitals and prisons; Eucharistic Liturgical Rites outside of Mass; the Eucharist as a sign of the Church’s Unity; the Eucharist and Social Justice; teaching children to pray; John Henry Newman and Dominic Barberi; musical resources for Adoration; Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Ministry and Practice. Mass on Friday at 7.00pm in the Metropolitan Cathedral. Saturday: Presentations by Bishop Robert Barron Mass on Saturday at 8.15am in the Metropolitan Cathedral Sunday: Main Pilgrimage Day: Solemn Mass at 9.30am and 11.30am. Outdoor Eucharistic Procession and Benediction. Local contact: Cath Worthington (07817 320934).

Morning Mass at Sacred Heart: Please note that morning Mass will be at **11.00am on Thursday**. This is the Requiem Mass for Michael Patrick Carroll.