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MASSES THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Sunday	3 June	8.00am	For the parish
Our Lady	Sunday	3 June	9.15am	Vin & Margaret Shervin (Foundation Mass)
Our Lady	Monday	4 June	6.00pm	No Mass today
St Anselm	Tuesday	5 June	7.00pm	Special intentions of those attending this Mass
Our Lady	Wednesday	6 June	6.00pm	For the sick
Our Lady	Saturday	9 June	10.00am	Beryl Mary Gilchrist (Foundation Mass) & Exposition
St Anselm	Sunday	10 June	8.00am	Fr Dennis Roberts (Foundation Mass)
Our Lady	Sunday	10 June	9.15am	For the parish

OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

Our Lady	Sunday	3 June	2.30pm	Exposition followed by the Corpus Christi procession at 3pm
St Anselm	Tuesday	5 June	7.00pm	Prayer Group
Our Lady	Wednesday	6 June	2.00pm	Prayer at the Shrine. Experience the peace & power of silent prayer.

Feast days: Tuesday – St Boniface, Friday – The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Saturday – Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Diocesan Year of Prayer & Vocation 2018. June: for our Vocations to ministry in the Church - priesthood, diaconate, lay ministries.

Pope Francis' Special Intention. June: that social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.

Next Week's Liturgy of the Word. Genesis 3:9-15, Psalm 129(130) R.v7, Corinthians 4:13-5:1, Mark 3:20-35.

Last week's collection. Our Lady: £303.40 St. Anselm: £211 in addition to £85 from standing orders. Thank you!

This week's second collection: Day for Life.

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, Bob Standing and Philomena Fraher.

CORPUS CHRISTI. Theme: Take it, this is my body; this is the blood of the covenant...

The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ celebrates God's unfathomable covenant of love with humanity through his Son Jesus Christ. This new covenant is not based on the law; it is dependent on the blood that Christ shed on the cross. That is to say, it is dependent solely on love. He gave himself to us in the form of bread and wine. God demonstrated his love for humanity through his Beloved Son Jesus. He offered himself on the Cross, as a memorial of the Covenant of Love in his Body and Blood; He said, "this is my body, this is my blood of the covenant..."

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi is rightly described as God's Covenant of Love with humanity in his Son. In this covenant, Jesus Christ freely and gratuitously gives us his Body and Blood to heal and strengthen us. In the Eucharistic Covenant, Christians encounter Jesus Christ under the veil of Bread and Wine so that we may learn to offer our very self.

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi clearly explains the sacrifice of love of Christ on the cross. He did this in order to perpetuate the sacrifice of the cross throughout the ages until he should come again, and to entrust to his beloved spouse, the church, a memorial of his death and resurrection: a sacrament of love, a sign of unity, a bond of charity, a paschal banquet in which Christ is consumed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given us. (Ccc# 1323) The body and blood of Christ is given to persons with living faith and not persons with no faith.

May we always approach the Eucharistic Celebration and Meal with reverence and gratitude to God the Father, so that we may experience in ourselves the fruits of our redemption in his Son Jesus Christ.

Upcoming second collections. 3 June: Day for Life, 17 June: Mission Red Box Appeal, 1 July: Peter's Pence, 8 July : Apostleship of the Sea, 15 July: SVP. There are no second collections in August.

Cemetery Tidy Up. We will be having a gardening session up at the Cemetery by St Andrew's Church on Friday 8 June between 1.30pm and 4.30pm. If you can offer a small amount of time with your shears and trowel then it would help keep on top of the growth.

Corpus Christi. Our annual Corpus Christi celebration is today. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 2.30pm and the procession will follow at 3pm. All are welcome.

Annual SVP trip to Walsingham. Sunday 1 July 2018. The sacrament of the sick is available for those in need during the pilgrim Mass. The day ends with Benediction before leaving the shrine at 5pm. A coach with wheelchair access has been booked and will collect and drop off from Billing and Earls Barton. Any pilgrims wishing to attend this wonderful day please complete a booking form and add your name to the list at the back of the churches or speak to one of the SVP members.

Bishop Peter's Golden Jubilee of ordination to the priesthood: On 8th June, Bishop Peter will celebrate 50 years as a priest. A Spiritual Bouquet is being 'gathered' for him as a gift from our parish. Parishioners can offer prayers - decades of the rosary, Holy Communion, attendance at Mass - for his intentions. These will form the Spiritual Bouquet. A card for parishioners to sign will be at the back of each church. There will be a Mass in celebration at 12 noon on Friday 8 June 2018 at the Cathedral. All are welcome.

St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Coffee morning. On 8 June at 9:30am – 10:30am. We would love our parents or members of the community to come and join us on our coffee mornings. Everybody is welcome!

CAFOD - Share the Journey: 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 10 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 join us for a Sunday afternoon walk. The circular walk is fairly easy but not suitable for wheelchairs. If you are bringing a child's buggy and find the terrain tricky you may prefer to walk a shorter distance and turn back at the point where the footpath ends. Register and begin the walk in the lower car park between 1.30pm and 2.30 pm. Please park carefully. Charges are £3 for up to four hours (£5 for all day). There are toilets and a café in this car park. We recommend that you do not walk alone but in a small group. Use sunscreen, carry water and wear a hat if appropriate. If you wish to know more please contact Val Sudlow - vsudlow@yahoo.co.uk.

Lay Ministers of the Eucharist. An annual reflection morning will take place on 16 June, 10.30am-1pm at the Pastoral & RE Centre, Westbourne Road, Luton. There are also three training course evenings on 23 May, 6 June and 13 June, 7.30-9pm. For more information or to book a place, please contact Lorraine in the parish office.

Annual Altar Servers Mass. Saturday 16 June 2018 at 12 noon at the Cathedral. Bishop Peter will celebrate Mass. This is a great occasion when the Altar Servers, their families, friends, parishioners come together to thank God for their ministry of service. Following the Mass, there will be a buffet lunch. Altar servers are asked to be at the Cathedral from 11am onwards ready to process into the Cathedral by 11.45pm. Parish MC's are asked to register their servers on arrival. Please ensure that all your servers bring their albs/cotta.

National Grandparents Pilgrimage. Walsingham on Sunday 22 July. Chief celebrant will be Bishop Alan Hopes of East Anglia. The day begins at 11am with reconciliation at 11am, Mass at 12 noon, The Walsingham Story (children's costume pageant) at 2.30pm and Adoration, Benediction and prayer balloon launch at 4pm. A day of faith and fun for all the family. Bring a picnic lunch. All welcome.

Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes. 24-31 August 2018. If you are interested in going on the pilgrimage as an assisted pilgrim or helper, please visit www.catholicassociation.co.uk or contact Deacon Michael Fleming on mvf@btinternet.com.

Rosary Link for vocations. Please join us for Mass, Rosary and Exposition for Vocations at St Gregory's, Northampton, at 7pm on Monday 4 June. The Rosary Link for Vocations began in 2004 guided under the chaplaincy of Fr Damien Walne until his death in 2015. He always reminded us of Jesus' own words to, '...pray the Lord of the Harvest to send labourers' Luke 10:2. Bishop Peter encourages these prayers as they are bearing fruit with significant numbers of seminarians and ordinations in our Diocese over the last few years. For further information call 07940 228227 or 01933 400157.

Northampton Catenians: are celebrating their 100th year since their foundation on 12 Nov 1918, starting with a Centenary Golf Day on 10th August at Overstone Park Golf Club. This event has the hallmark of a very special day which golfers would not like to miss. We have placed information fliers about the event on Church Notice Boards showing a brief format for the day as well as contacts. Alternatively email teljoy1@aol.com as soon as possible for a booking form.

Photography competition. Emmanuel Church in Weston Favell Centre is running a photography competition to celebrate the beauty that surrounds us in Northampton East. Three age categories: Ages 0 - 11, 11 - 18 and 18 - 100+. It will be split into two photography categories - Nature/Wildlife and Urban/Buildings. The competition will run from 4-30 June. First prize is £40 voucher and second prize is £20 voucher. Please see the poster in the porch at Our Lady's for more details.