



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

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## MASSES THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Sunday	30 September	8.00am	Thanksgiving Mass for Pat and Gerry Green
Our Lady	Sunday	30 September	9.15am	Dot Bridgman (Foundation Mass)
Our Lady	Monday	1 October	6.00pm	Andrea Claire Quigley RIP
St Anselm	Tuesday	2 October	7.00pm	Special intentions of those attending this Mass
Our Lady	Wednesday	3 October	6.00pm	For the sick
Our Lady	Saturday	6 October	10.00am	Daniel Robert Stratten (Foundation Mass) & Exposition
St Anselm	Sunday	7 October	8.00am	For the parish
Our Lady	Sunday	7 October	9.15am	Brendan Byrne RIP (4 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

## OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Tuesday	2 October	7.00pm	Prayer Group & Exposition
Our Lady	Wednesday	3 October	2.00pm	Prayer at the Shrine. Experience the peace & power of silent prayer.
Our Lady	Sunday	7 October	10.15am	Coffee morning after Mass

**Diocesan Year of Prayer & Vocation 2018:** September: for the treasure of Families - that any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity. [www.thepopevideo.org]

**Pope Francis' Special Intention:** September: Young People in Africa. That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

**Next Week's Liturgy of the Word.** Genesis 2:18-24, Ps 127. R.v5, Hebrews 2:9-11, Mark 10:2-16.

**Last week's collection:** Our Lady: £173.90 St. Anselm: £215 in addition to £85 from standing orders. Thank you!

**Last week's second collection:** £193.42 for Home Mission Sunday.

**Next week's second collection:** CAFOD Fast Day.

**Please pray for our sick and elderly.** Gillian Brockway, Bernard Weston, Mary Percival, Felicidade Hatcher, Betty Picknell, Sonia Borucki, Dennis Williams, Bob Standing, Philomena Fraher, Bernard Johnson, Rae Dakin and Hazel Toolaram.

### **TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR. Theme: "Anyone who is not against us is for us"**

Today our World seems quite divided. There is little room for unity because of politics, migration, race, social status and gender issues. The sense of THEM and US seems also to be prevalent in the time of Jesus as we can read in the first reading and the gospel today. Who belongs to the inner circles? Jesus answers the crowd saying, "Anyone who is not against us is for us". (Mk 9:40).

The disciples feel quite proud of themselves and think that somehow their authority lies with the inner circle: "...And because he was not one of us we tried to stop him" (Mark 9:38). Jesus replies his disciples not to look down on others who are not members of the privileged group. According to Jesus, if he is performing miracles in his name then he is one of them. It is not their names collectively but Jesus' personal name that is crucial, and the focus of the mission is not the privileged status but how to powerfully invade Satan's territory.

Any gift extended in Jesus' name, whether a spectacular gift like casting out demons or a simple cup of water, is a gift offered to Christ himself. The man the disciples condemn has welcomed others as a servant and therefore has welcomed Jesus and the Father, whereas, by their denial of the man's Christ-centred hospitality, the disciples are in danger of preventing him from serving in Jesus' name.

The closer we come to Jesus, the humbler we become. The richer we become, the more we should be humble. The rich, therefore, must not condemn the innocent and kill them although they offered him no resistance.

We are reminded of ecumenical unity. To achieve this unity involves the whole church, the faithful and the clergy. We must realize that this holy objective- the reconciliation of all Christians in the unity of the one and only church of Christ- transcends human powers and gifts. That is why we place all our hope 'in the prayer of Christ for the church, in the love of the Father for us, and in the power of the Holy Spirit. (CCC#822)

**Prayer to St Michael the Archangel.** For those who are unsure of the words of the prayer which is recited at the end of every Mass, before the final blessing: **Holy Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle; Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust down to hell Satan and all wicked spirits who wander through the world For the ruin of souls. Amen.**

**Parish Coffee Morning.** We will be holding a coffee morning immediately after Mass on Sunday 7 October at Our Lady's. Please do come along for coffee, tea and biscuits.

**Code for Key Safe.** For security reasons, the code for the key safes should be regularly changed. From Monday 8 October, the code for Our Lady's, the Institute and St Anselm's will be changing. Those requiring the number should email or phone Lorraine at the parish office. Please note that the code should not be given to anyone else; authorisation is through Lorraine only.

**Evening Mass at St Anselm's.** Don't forget that there is evening Mass at St Anselm's on the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm. All are welcome.

**Pastoral visit of Bishop Peter to the three churches.** On the weekend of 27/28 October, Bishop Peter will be celebrating each Mass at Sacred Heart, Our Lady and St Anselm. We look forward to welcoming him to our parishes.

**Confirmation Preparation Programme.** Those wishing to be Confirmed in July 2019 should collect an Application Form from the back of the Church. The programme starts on Saturday 24 November and all the dates and venues are attached to the Application Form. Please complete and return the Application Form to Miriam Hague at the back of church after mass on Sunday 4 November or Sunday 11 November. If you would like an electronic copy, please email [frank\\_sudlow@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:frank_sudlow@yahoo.co.uk) asking for the Application Form and Programme.

**Traidcraft.** The stall made the magnificent total of £95.60, 10% of which will be given to the SVP. Donations, plus the sale of Pascale's apple turnovers, amounted to £69.86. £120, which is the total of donations from the last two stalls will be sent to Traidcraft Exchange. Thank you for your wonderful generosity.

**First Holy Communion Programme 2018-19:** For children in School Years 3-6 only. Registration forms will be available on the parish noticeboards at the back of both churches every Sunday until 7<sup>th</sup> October. Completed forms can be given to Hazel or Lorraine or sent to the parish office. The classes will start on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October after 9.15am Mass and parents will need to collect their children from the Institute at 11am. For any older candidates, please speak to Fr Jerry.

**St Gregory's Catholic Primary School Open Days.** Do you have a child starting school in September 2019? St Gregory's have a number of open days over the next few months: Thursday 18 October 2-3pm, Wednesday 14 November 9.30-11.30am, Thursday 22 November 9.30-11.30am, Thursday 22 November 6-7pm.

**St Gregory's Catholic Primary School.** We are excited to be celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of serving our community. To mark the occasion, Bishop Peter will be celebrating mass at school on October 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. All members of our school community, especially past pupils and staff, are invited to attend. In order to prepare for the event, we are asking anyone who may have old photos, memories or memorabilia they wouldn't mind sharing with us to get in touch. If you know anyone who was part of our school community throughout these 50 years, please do either let them know or pass on their details to us so that we can invite them. You can get in touch with us on [50thcelebrations@sgcps.org](mailto:50thcelebrations@sgcps.org) or through the school office on 01604 403511. We will continue to pray for you all and any prayers you send our way will be gratefully received.

**Room Required.** Mature Catholic lady seeking a room to rent for the month of January 2019 only, within a 5 mile radius of Weston Favell. Please contact Gail on [gailnava.gk@gmail.com](mailto:gailnava.gk@gmail.com).

**The St Vincent de Paul Society: One Family's Story** - "I would like to embrace the whole world in a network of charity" (Blessed Frédéric Ozanam)

This week of Awareness Month we would like to share with you a story highlighting the work of an SVP Conference, highlighting just one example of the ways in which our Members assist people in need.

"Rosamund, a lady in her late 50s, was suddenly abandoned by her husband of nearly 40 years, who left with another woman. She was devastated and found herself almost destitute, no longer able to afford the rent on their flat. She managed to find a cheaper flat in another area, away from her former husband, but had no resources to get started, and as he had taken much of their furniture and household equipment, she needed help in her new home. With the support of the SVP, who purchased a cooker and a fridge/freezer for her, and also found good quality furniture through local appeals, she is now beginning to rebuild her life."

If you would like to know more about the SVP or if you are interested in joining the Society, please get in touch with us on the above number or email address.

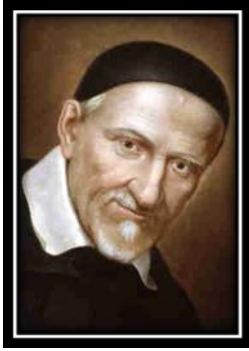
**CAFOD.** There will be a short appeal after Masses this weekend. Please give generously to next weekend's second collection, either in the envelope you received as you came into church today or loose in the basket. There are spare envelopes in the porch if you want one. If you are a taxpayer and able to Gift Aid please do so - it adds 25% to your donation so if, for example, you give £4, CAFOD actually receives £5. Thank you.

**SVP Request for Printer.** One of the people the SVP visits is out of work and in need of a printer to go with his computer. If you can help with this then please contact the SVP by email or telephone on the numbers provided.

**Flower arranging.** Starting in October, taught by Margaret Ashford. We will meet on Friday mornings at 10.30am in the church hall at Sacred Heart Church. Dates: 26 October, 9 November, 16 November, 23 November and 14 December. The cost is £15 for the 5 sessions. Please let Margaret know if you are coming – telephone 07821 984875 and she will let you know what flowers, greenery etc. you need to bring for the first session.

**Walsingham Annual Pilgrimage for the Sanctity of Life.** Sunday 7 October, led by Archbishop Kevin McDonald. All are warmly invited to unite in the day of prayer. For further details, see poster on the noticeboard.

**5<sup>th</sup> Northampton St Mary's RC Scout Group:** Did you or anyone in your family ever belong to the 5<sup>th</sup> Northampton St Mary's RC Scout Group? If so, the group wants to contact you about its forthcoming 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations starting with Mass and a reunion, which takes place at 2pm on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October at the Scout Camping Ground at Overstone. Although the 5<sup>th</sup> St Mary's has always been attached to the Cathedral, for most of the time it was the only Catholic Scout group in the town and attracted members from all over Northampton. Get in touch by emailing former leader Pat Percival on [patpercivalnn@aol.com](mailto:patpercivalnn@aol.com) or messaging her on 07526 661228.



# St Vincent de Paul Society

## GREAT BILLING CONFERENCE REPORT (2018)



### SVP MEMBERS

Johan Barber (Treasurer)  
 Kathy Forsdyke (Secretary)  
 Pat Henry  
 Peter Henry  
 Deacon Peter Hurrell (Spiritual Leader)  
 Liz Hurrell (Vice President)  
 Renate Musson  
 Matthew Osborne (President)  
 Melba Osborne  
 Chris Webb

### SVP CALENDAR

Here are some planned events and keep your eye on the newsletter.

#### November/December 2018

We will be reaching out to your generosity for this year's Christmas appeal.

#### December 2018

On Fieldmill Road, Bellinge, Come and see the Nativity LIVE!

#### February 2019

Hold the date – February 16<sup>th</sup> we have secured Fynnius Fogg for an evening of entertainment and hopefully raise some funds.

#### April/May 2019

You are invited to attend the 2019 SVP Coffee Morning (date/location will be confirmed).

#### 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of EVERY Month

Vinnie's Drop in Centre at Bellinge Community House (NN3 9AQ), pop in for a tea and a chat between 10:00 and 12:00

### CONFERENCE CONTACT

Contact any of the SVP members, call us on 07568 313234 or email us at [svp@ourladyandstanselm.org](mailto:svp@ourladyandstanselm.org) and we will do what we can to help.

### CONFERENCE UPDATE

Between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 we have managed to help 35 individuals and 2 families. We totalled over 307 visits and opened the Vinnies drop in centre 23 times last year.

2017 was the start of our School Out Reach Scheme where the SVP linked up with local schools who are able to refer beneficiaries to us for us to help where we can with food bank vouchers or guidance.

We've supported families from a local charity who helps individuals affected by domestic violence. When they come to the end of support with the charity we help them set up in our area through help with furniture, whilst they get back on their feet.

Vinnies continues to be a success and we spend time, have a chat, a cup of tea and cake, with local residents. We are starting to feel like part of the community and we are hoping to be able to encourage some more people to come and see us.

Over the last year, we have been overwhelmed by your generosity; the second collection and support we received at the afternoon tea was amazing. We are truly grateful for all your support, without you and your donations we could not do what we do.

We are a small group with some challenges ahead. We'd be grateful if you can spare some time and join us.



Back row from left: Matthew, Liz, Peter, Renate, Melba & Johan  
 Front row from left: Pat, Kathy & Chris

If you are interested in joining us or can spare any time to help, please contact us. Our contact details are on the left of this newsletter and on the weekly Parish Newsletter.