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MASSES THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Sunday	21 October	8.00am	For the parish
Our Lady	Sunday	21 October	9.15am	Sheikh Abu Sulieman (Foundation Mass)
Our Lady	Monday	22 October	6.00pm	Service of Word and Communion
Our Lady	Wednesday	24 October	6.00pm	Service of Word and Communion
Our Lady	Saturday	27 October	10.00am	Service of Word and Communion & Exposition
St Anselm	Sunday	28 October	8.00am	For the parish
Our Lady	Sunday	28 October	9.15am	Andrea Clare Quigley RIP (Birthday) and Ena Mathura (Foundation Mass)

OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Tuesday	23 October	7.00pm	Prayer Group & Exposition.
Our Lady	Wednesday	24 October	2.00pm	Prayer at the Shrine. Experience the peace & power of silent prayer.

Diocesan Year of Prayer & Vocation 2018. October: for our schools, for our young people and their vocation within the church.

Pope Francis' Special Intention. October: Evangelization – The Mission of Religious. That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

Next Week's Liturgy of the Word. Jeremiah 31:7-9, Ps 125. R.v3, Hebrews 5:1-6, Mark 10:46-52.

CAFOD second collection: £678.53. Thank you for your generosity!

This week's second collection: Mission Sunday.

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-NINTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR. Theme: He came to give his life as a ransom for many.

Jesus Christ explains his redemptive mission to the disciples. When James and John approached Jesus Christ for places of honour in his kingdom, He took the opportunity to teach his disciples about how to become great in the Kingdom of God. They must become servants – just like him. He knew that in his Father's opinion, it was the servants who are given high positions, not the master.

Jesus offers James and John the privilege of sharing in his sufferings. Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptized with the baptism with which I must be baptized? (Mk 10:38) Later on, they suffered death as they were witnessing to the saving works of Jesus (Acts 12:2). Throughout his life, Jesus was consumed by love that compelled him to live for others, never for himself. "For our sake, Christ was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried..." This is the faith that we profess. In Jesus's opinion, this is what it meant to be a king – to lay down his life for his friends.

In all of his life, Jesus presents himself as our model. In humbling himself, he has given us an example to imitate, through his prayer he draws us to pray, and by his poverty, he calls us to accept freely the privation and persecutions that may come our way. (CCC#520)

Let us pray that we may return love for hatred. We may also sacrifice our time and energy to perform hidden acts of love. Consequently, let each of us called to be Christians drink from Jesus' cup of suffering by our willingness to serve, to reflect the life and our love of Jesus, the humblest servant.

Pastoral visit of Bishop Peter to the three churches. Next weekend, 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.

First Holy Communion Programme 2018-19: Please note that the classes have been delayed due to ill health but parents will be notified when there is a start date. If you have not already done so, please return your completed registration forms to Lorraine or post them to the parish office as soon as possible so that we have your contact details.

Parish Finance Committee. We would like to increase the representation of Our Lady's from two parishioners to four. If you are interested in finding out more about what the Finance Committee does then please let Lorraine know and you will be contacted.

StreetChurch. Our parish will be looking after the catering at StreetChurch on Sunday 4 November. Next Sunday we will put a list at the back of each church asking for your support.

The St Vincent de Paul Society; Get Involved! - "Charity must never look to the past, but always to the future" (Blessed Frédéric Ozanam)

Across the country the Society is growing steadily, however we are always on the lookout for new members. Increasing our membership will enable us to achieve our goal of helping and supporting people facing a daily struggle with isolation and poverty.

Whilst volunteering can be a challenge, it is equally rewarding. As a Member you will always have the support of your Conference, as well as that of the National Society to assist you in your charitable works.

If you do not have the time to commit to the Society but would like to make a regular contribution, you can become a Friend either via our website, or by getting in touch with Aisha McCarthy at the National Office at aisham@svp.org.uk/ 020 7703 3030.

Thank you for your time and attention during Awareness Month. We hope this has helped you get to know the Society better and perhaps motivate you to turn your concern into action. 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.

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 asking for the Application Form and Programme.

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: Wednesday 14 November 9.30-11.30am, Thursday 22 November 9.30-11.30am, Thursday 22 November 6-7pm.

Coffee Morning. In aid of the Safe Haven Northampton Appeal - Wednesday 7th November from 10.30am at 337 Billing Road East NN3 3LL. Traidcraft stall, Christmas cards, crafts, gifts, raffle.

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.

International Family Rosary. Hoping to see lots of you on Friday 26 October at 7pm for our 'Rosary event' at Sacred Heart. The Pope and Church generally are really encouraging us to pray this ancient prayer - especially when the world so much needs prayer - so let's make a small sacrifice of our time and pray together. It's also really enjoyable and uplifting!

Cheese and Wine and a brilliant Bishop! On Wednesday 14 November at 7.30pm in the hall at Sacred Heart, we are having an evening to hear short feedback from those who went from our parish to the 'Adoremus' conference in Liverpool in September - which was inspirational - and to watch a recording of a talk by Bishop Barron who was brilliant and really down to earth! We will follow this with a cheese and wine social so do put it in your diary - you won't be disappointed.