



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

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## MASSES THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Sunday	4 November	8.00am	For the parish
Our Lady	Sunday	4 November	9.15am	Carlos Munoz Rodriguez (Foundation Mass)
Our Lady	Monday	5 November	6.00pm	<b>No Mass today</b>
St Anselm	Tuesday	6 November	7.00pm	Special intentions of those attending this Mass
Our Lady	Wednesday	7 November	6.00pm	Mgr Frank Diamond (Foundation Mass); Peter Chau Nguyen, Teresa Luu Nguyen
Our Lady	Saturday	10 November	10.00am	Peter Chau Nguyen, Teresa Luu Nguyen & Exposition
St Anselm	Sunday	11 November	8.00am	For the parish
Our Lady	Sunday	11 November	9.15am	Alfons & Urszula Solujan (Foundation Mass); Joseph Kooroth RIP (anniversary)

## OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

St Anselm	Tuesday	6 November	7.00pm	Prayer Group & Exposition.
Our Lady	Wednesday	7 November	2.00pm	Prayer at the Shrine. Experience the peace & power of silent prayer.
Our Lady	Sunday	11 November	11.00am	Service of Remembrance, Great Billing War Memorial

**Diocesan Year of Prayer & Vocation 2018.** November: Month of Prayer for all who have died.

**Pope Francis' Special Intention.** November: In Service of Peace. That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

**Next Week's Liturgy of the Word.** Kings 17:10-16, Ps 145:7-10.R.v2, Hebrews 9:24-28, Mark 12:38-44.

**This week's second collection:** Bishop's Maintenance Fund.

**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, Hazel Toolaram, baby Ellis and Angela Kingsley.

**THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR. Theme:** Love is the first of all the commandments!

The most powerful, most needed, and most essential teaching is always Love. Love is our foundation and our destiny. The question of the scribe demonstrates the deepest desire of humanity looking for answers in the world. We desire to love and to be loved. The scribe seeks to satisfy this deepest desire through the commandments. This is a heart that seeks to grasp, if possible, a single simple principle underlying the complexity of the law. What does God want of us? Which of the commandments can give meaning to all the smaller rules and regulations of life? Jesus says, "...you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength."

The command to love God and neighbour is not just an order or a duty. To love God is not simply like coming to Mass every Sunday as the church expects us to do on holy days of obligation. To love God and our neighbour means to we must align our wills with this greatest of commandments, making the decision to ask God to teach us how to love and obey him.

God is always reaching out to us. Every time we turn to God, we receive his love more deeply. He loves us first. The commandments, therefore, makes explicit the response of love that man is called to give to his God.

May our prayer be that the Heavenly Father will move us by his love to love Him and to love one another with his divine love.

**Thank you.** Fr Jerry would like to thank parishioners, musicians and the choir for their efforts and support during Bishop Peter's visit last weekend and all those involved in the preparation before the visit.

**Remembrance Sunday Service.** The annual service, which this year coincides with the Armistice Centenary, will take place at 11am on 11 November at the War Memorial in Great Billing.

**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.

**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.

**Parish Appeal for Mary's Meal.** "For I was hungry and you gave me food" (Mathew 25:35).

A group called the Mary's Meals wishes to visit the Our Lady's shrine on Sunday 25 November to appeal for financial support. The main goal of Mary's Meals is "that every child receives a nutritious daily meal in a place of education." They believe that we can respond to the invitation of our blessed Lord, "For I was hungry and you gave me food" (Mathew 25:35) "By providing a daily meal in a place of learning. They are determined with your support to meet the immediate needs of hungry children and encourage them to go to school and gain an education which eventually will assist them in the future, to climb the ladder out of poverty." There are about 1,361,586 children now receiving Mary's Meals. We wish to have a retiring collection on Sunday 25 November after the 9.15 am Mass. Thank you in advance for your generous support. For further information please contact; Visit: [www.marysmeals.org.uk](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk)

**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.

**Safe Haven Northampton** (Family sponsorship scheme). Coffee morning Wednesday 7 November from 10.30am at 337 Billing Road East NN3 3LL. Traidcraft stall, Christmas cards, crafts, gifts, raffle.

**Prayer and Praise for Northampton at Northampton Cathedral.** Monday 5 November from 7.30 – 9.30pm. Please support this event and meet Christians from many other churches that have hosted Prayer & Praise. Lively music, praise & worship followed by prayers from the needs of Northampton. Refreshments from 7pm. All are welcome. Why not bring a friend from another church?

**Catholic Basics Course.** Want to know more about your Faith? Join us for a basic introduction to the Catholic Faith in four parts: God, The Church, The Moral Life, Prayer. For each part there is a day of engaging teaching with opportunities for interaction and discussion. Cost: £25 per person per day (£10 for the unwaged). Price includes a full lunch. No qualifications needed - just interest, good will and a sense of humour! Launch and Part I: 31 January 2019, 10am-3pm (arrive 9.30am for refreshments). NORES Centre, Holy Ghost Parish, 33 Westbourne Road, Luton, LU4 8JD. To book, contact [admin@nores.org.uk](mailto:admin@nores.org.uk) or phone Jackie on 01582 723312.

**Vocation to the Priesthood.** Northampton Diocese will be hosting a weekend for those men considering the Vocation to the Priesthood. This will be held at the Cathedral from Friday 14 December – Sunday 16 December. If you are interested please contact the Cathedral Parish Office on 01604 714556 or speak to Fr Mark. Please continue to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood!

**Counselling Service locally.** The Sarah Agnes Foundation is a counselling charity that supports individuals, couples and families. Their counsellors are based in Northampton and they would like to extend the service to the local community and the members of the church who may feel that counselling is appropriate and helpful. If you would like to request an assessment please go to the following website and leave your details <http://www.sarahagnesfoundation.org.uk/contact/>

**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.

**Beatitudes. Matthew 5:1-12:** Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November 10am-4pm at The Monastery of Christ Our Saviour, Turvey MK43 8DH. The day will include talks, praise and worship and prayer ministry. Mass will be celebrated by Brother John. Suggested donation £10 (for the monks) pay on the day, no need to book. Refreshments will be provided, please bring a plate of food for a shared lunch. Please bring your bible. Further information Pat (Turvey) 01234 881617, or if you need a lift Mary (Hunsbury) 01604 762727. Kate (Towcester) 01327 8117. Please enter the Monastery at Jacks Lane by the speed camera, take the 1<sup>st</sup> drive on the left where someone will direct you to park. All welcome, bring a friend.

**Society for the Protection of Unborn Children:** There will be a meeting at 10am (after 9am Mass) on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2018 in the sacristy St. Gregory's Northampton, which has been arranged in order to set up a local SPUC branch in Northampton. Please contact William Currie on 01604 499833 or [wpcurrie@btinternet.com](mailto:wpcurrie@btinternet.com) if you are interested in attending or if unable to attend but would be interested in being involved in the future.