



The Sacred Heart

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Diocesan Shrine,  
Our Lady of  
Perpetual Succour  
& St Anselm

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Northampton, Registered Charity Number  
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**Sacred Heart Mass Times:**

Saturday: 5.30pm  
Sunday: 10.30am  
Weekdays: 9.30am followed  
by Rosary  
Holy Days: 9.30am

**Our Lady Mass Times:**

Sunday: 9.15am

**St Anselm Mass Times:**

Sunday: 8.00am

Weekdays  
and Holy Days: as advertised

**Sacred Heart Diary:**

Adoration: Mon 10am-5pm  
Sat 10am-2pm  
Confession: Sat 4.30pm – 5.15pm  
Children's Liturgy: Sunday during  
10.30am Mass

**Our Lady & St Anselm Diary:**

**Our Lady:**  
Prayer at The Shrine inc.  
Rosary & Exposition: Weds 2pm  
Exposition: Sat 10.30am-12pm  
**St Anselm:**  
Prayer Group  
& Exposition: Tues 7pm

**Masses & Services 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> February 2019**  
**Seventh Sunday of the Year**

Saturday	5.30pm (Sacred Heart)	Sister Ann R.I.P.
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am (St Anselm) 9.15am (Our Lady) 10.30am (Sacred Heart)	For the parish Alan & Christine Breed (Foundation Mass) Margaret Fanning; Patrick Condon R.I.P.
Monday	9.30am (Sacred Heart) 6.00pm (Our Lady)	James Coeur de Lion; Wendy Brassil (ill) <b>Service of Word &amp; Communion</b>
Tuesday	9.30am (Sacred Heart)	Priest's intentions
Wednesday	9.30am (Sacred Heart) 6.00pm (Our Lady)	Alex Robinson R.I.P.; Jessica Anachebe <b>No 6pm Mass today</b>
Thursday	9.30am (Sacred Heart)	<b>Service of Word &amp; Communion</b>
Friday	9.30am (Sacred Heart) 11.30am (Sacred Heart)	John Shoreland R.I.P.; John Wilson R.I.P. Funeral of Rosalind Okyne R.I.P.
Saturday	10.00am (Our Lady) 5.30pm (Sacred Heart)	<b>Service of Word &amp; Communion &amp; Exposition</b> Little Billy
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8.00am (St Anselm) 9.15am (Our Lady) 10.30am (Sacred Heart)	William & Mary Weston (Foundation Mass) Mikolaj & Wanda Galan (Foundation Mass) Kevin Gaughran R.I.P.

**Feastdays:** Friday – St David.

**Anniversaries:** Thomas Lynch, Catherine Buist, John Doyle, Samantha Borucki, John Campion, Dan Dunne, Rachel Forsyth, Ernest Humberstone, Gill Mahoney, Norina Coulton, Robert Anderson, Frank Smith R.I.P.

**Please pray for all our sick:** Rachel Crane, Philomene Crizzle, Vicki Plant, Nuala Fitzgerald, Joan Kelly, Patricia Harris, Neal Peckham, Pam Boshell, Margaret Whitlock, Edwina Hayes, Stan Everitt, Victor Stapleton, Sheryl Haynes, Edwina Julie, Isobel McArthur, Sarah Robinson, Leo Bell, Margaret Ellerbeck, Dolores Behan, Kath Scholtz, Mary Stanton, Tony Southwell, Jasmine Cross, Petra Barreau, Deirdre Donovan and Tony Bull.

Gillian Brockway, Mary Percival, Felicidade Hatcher, Betty Picknell, Sonia Borucki, Dennis Williams, Rae Dakin, Philomena Fraher, Bernard Johnson, Hazel Toolaram, baby Ellis, Angela Kingsley and Jerry Green.

**Pope Francis' Special Intention:** February: Victims. For a generous welcome to the victims of human trafficking, enforced prostitution, and violence.

**Next week's Liturgy of the Word:** Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7, Ps.91:2-3,13-16.R.Cf.v2, Corinthians 15:54-58, Luke 6:39-45.

**Last week's collection: Sacred Heart:** £387.50 (and £475 from standing orders)  
**Our Lady:** £281.60 **St Anselm:** £200 (and £85 from standing orders)

**Last week's second collection** For Racial Justice: Sacred Heart: £130.91 Our Lady & St Anselm: £148.30

**Sacred Heart Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for next week:**

	<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 5.30pm</b>	<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 10.30am</b>
<b>Readers:</b>	C Chaplin	Moore/Watts team
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	P Hurrell	P Jones

**Sacred Heart Tea & Coffee after Mass.** There will be tea and coffee after 10.30am Mass today.

**Sacred Heart Mass diary.** During Wendy's absence, please see Gareth if you would like to book a Mass.

**Sacred Heart Parish Lenten Retreat.** You are warmly invited to attend our Parish Lenten Retreat which will take place every Wednesday evening at 7pm during Lent. The Retreat will be based on the "Life in the Spirit Seminars", strongly recommended by Pope Francis. The first introductory session will take place on Ash Wednesday (6<sup>th</sup> March) at 7.30pm in the Sacred Heart Church Hall. Anyone attending evening Mass on Ash Wednesday at Billing are very welcome to join us after the Mass.

**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR: Theme:** Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate”

St. Luke presents the central teaching of Christ’s ministry to the crowd. It is commonly called the Golden Rule and also an extension of the Shema (Dt. 6:4-9) Jesus calls us for unconditional love for our enemies and persecutors and selfless generosity to those who are in need. Jesus knew these words may sound quite absurd to people who listen to him. How can we love those who exploit and wish us evil? This is against every natural inclination. Indeed, Jesus was calling on his followers to be supernatural, to be “sons of the Most High who is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish”. He was calling them to share in the love that originates from the heart of the Father. The Sacred Heart of the Father! This love does not spring from admiration of the one who is loved. God’s love extends to those who do not behave admirably, even to those who are sinning in the worst way. Neither is this love merely the absence of malice, but to have a compassionate desire for the other person’s good.

To love in this way requires that we put aside our natural inclinations and open our hearts to divine love. It calls for humility of spirit in order to become like Jesus. When he was maltreated at his trial, he responded with true meekness. (c.f Jn. 18:19-24). He endured the insults with dignity and appealed to his offender with the truth and love. He calls on us to love our enemies, and to do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return.

As we rely on Jesus, he will inspire us to be charitable and the grace to do good to others.

**Sacred Heart First Holy Communion.** Please note that the Reconciliation Retreat Day for the children will be on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** at St Gregory’s Catholic Primary School from 11am-4pm. Remember your packed lunch! Parents will need to stay for the parents’ session at 2.30pm-3.30pm and 3.30pm-3pm with the children.

**Confirmation.** Don’t forget the National Youth Conference is on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**. The coach will leave St Gregory’s Church at 8.45am, returning at 6pm. Remember to bring a packed lunch!

**Sacred Heart cake stall.** This Saturday and Sunday. Please bake and buy. All money will go to the Lourdes fund.

**Sacred Heart Lourdes Pilgrimage.** Booking forms are now available in the church porch. Please complete and return to Wendy with £100 deposit per person.

**Sacred Heart Craft Group.** Our craft group are looking to broaden our horizon. Up to now, we have knitted/crocheted blankets and baby clothes for: Syrian and Iraqi refugees, The Premature Baby Unit at Northampton General Hospital, knitted adult hats for sailors, sewn a wall hanging to commemorate Sacred Heart’s 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, held a Macmillan coffee morning with craft stall and donated handmade goods to the Lourdes fund. Alongside our Friday meetings we have also had outings to Lings cinema, had many coffees in Weston Favell Centre and always enjoyed our Christmas meal in various locations. If you would like to join us, suggest a project or share a talent, we would love to see you. We meet after 9.30am Mass on Fridays in the Sacred Heart hall downstairs. Come and visit us for a chat, a coffee and biscuit/cake (or all three!)

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**Our Lady’s 24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration.** The Diocesan Shrine and parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, High St, NN3 9EA will be hosting a 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration of the Lord on 15th-16th March. The Eucharistic Adoration begins with a Holy Mass at 10am on Friday 15th March and will be concluded with Mass on Saturday 16th March at 10am. Interested persons can put their name down for a slot on the sign up sheet in the porch or contact Lorraine in the office on the email address or telephone number at the top of the newsletter. Come let us worship the risen Lord “in Spirit and Truth.” (John 4:24).

**Catholic Basics Course.** After a very successful launch, join us for another 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! **Part 2: CHURCH** on 11<sup>th</sup> April, 10am-3pm (arrive 9.30am for refreshments) at NORES Centre, Holy Ghost Parish, 33 Westbourne Road, Luton, LU4 8JD. To book, contact admin@nores.org.uk or phone Jackie on 01582 723312. Part Three: The Moral Life on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019 and Part Four: Prayer on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

**Vocation Weekend.** 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 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March. If you are interested please contact the Cathedral Parish Office on 01604 714556 or speak to Fr Mark Floody.