



The Sacred Heart

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Diocesan Shrine,  
Our Lady of  
Perpetual Succour  
& St Anselm

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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  
Rosary & Exposition: Weds 2pm  
Novena: Thurs 1-2pm  
Exposition: Sat 10.30am-12pm  
**St Anselm:**  
Prayer Group  
& Exposition: Tues 7pm

**Masses & Services 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> November 2019**  
**Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King**

Saturday	5.30pm (Sacred Heart)	Mark & Gjystee Luli R.I.P.
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	8.00am (St Anselm) 9.15am (Our Lady) 10.30am (Sacred Heart)	For the parish Anna Fischer (Foundation Mass) Katrina & Lene Vasa R.I.P.; Charles Harrison R.I.P.
Monday	9.30am (Sacred Heart) 6.00pm (Our Lady)	Helen McGowan R.I.P. <b>No 6pm Mass today</b>
Tuesday	9.30am (Sacred Heart)	Priest's Intentions
Wednesday	9.30am (Sacred Heart) 5.00pm (Our Lady) 6.00pm (Our Lady)	Alice Duke R.I.P. Prayers for priest All deceased parishioners and family
Thursday	9.30am (Sacred Heart) 6.00pm (Sacred Heart)	<b>No 9.30am Mass today</b> All deceased parishioners and family; Philomena Kelly RIP
Friday	9.30am (Sacred Heart)	Joe Murray R.I.P.
Saturday	10.00am (Our Lady) 9.30am (Sacred Heart) 5.30pm (Sacred Heart)	<b>No 10am Mass and exposition today</b> Mass followed by Parish Advent Retreat Mark Cooke R.I.P.; Vincent Murray R.I.P.
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	8.00am (St Anselm) 9.15am (Our Lady) 10.30am (Sacred Heart)	Barbara Mary White (Foundation Mass) Bridget Rawkins (Foundation Mass) Pauline Welford R.I.P. (Anniv); Brian Woods R.I.P.

**Feastdays:** Sunday – Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King, Saturday – St Andrew.

**Anniversaries:** Emilia Piretti, Francis Treacy, Ada Mills, Kathleen Cash, Lucy Ryan, Bill Davis, Dorothy Williams, James Miller, Betty Smith, Joyce Sullivan, Ursula Meehan, Francis Mangan, Clem . R.I.P.

**Please pray for all our sick.**

**Pope Francis' Special Intention. November:** That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

**Next Week's Liturgy of the Word:** Isaiah 2:1-5, Ps 121:1-2.4-5.6-9.R.cf.v1, Romans 13:11-14, Matthew 24:37-44.

**Last week's collection: Sacred Heart:** £662.68 (and £475 from standing orders)

**Our Lady:** £252.10 **St Anselm:** £205.40 (and £85 from standing orders)

**Last week's second collection:** Sick & Retired Priests. **Sacred Heart:** £309.98. **Our Lady & St A:** £153.50

**This week's second collection:** Catholic Youth Services.

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

	<b>Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 5.30pm</b>	<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 10.30am</b>
<b>Readers:</b>	Heron team	Sleet/Merriman
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Alice	M O'Reilly

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

**National Youth Sunday.** At this weekend's Masses, our young people will be reading, leading the offertory & collection. There is a second collection for the diocesan Youth Service to support their work in serving the young people of the diocese. Please keep our young people in your prayers.

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING: Theme:** *This is the King of the Jews*

Today's feast celebrates the two sides of Jesus' kingship. The divine and the human kingship as demonstrated together in the gospel and the second reading. Saint Paul in the second reading describes the divine nature and authority of Christ in a beautiful hymn from the early Church. In the Gospel reading, we see how Jesus exercises the human side of his kingship through his sacrificial death on the cross by allowing himself to be mocked and tortured to death.

Jesus overturns all notions of earthly power. His kingly robe is the blood pouring down his body, his crown is a crown of thorns, and his throne is the cross. Even as he was dying on the cross, Jesus forgives the good thief, who acknowledges the divinity and innocence of Jesus Christ. He turns to Jesus, not to escape his mortal death, but to be healed of his sins. Jesus graciously grants his request: "Indeed, I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise". Hence the true meaning of his kingship is revealed only when he is raised high on the Cross. (CCC#440)

We are privileged to share in the kingship of Jesus Christ as his fellow workers on earth. Let us build the kingdom of God in this world, even when the kingdom of God is yet to come in its fullness at the end of time.

**National Youth Sunday - 24<sup>th</sup> November.** This weekend on the Feast of Christ the King, the Church in England and Wales celebrates National Youth Sunday. On this day, we celebrate the young people in our parish and community and all the gifts and talents they share with us. The theme for this year's NYS is Significance taken from Christus Vivit, Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation to young people: "For him, you have worth; you are not insignificant. You are important to him, for you are the work of his hands. That is why he is concerned about you and looks to you with affection" (Christus Vivit, 115).

**Sacred Heart Sacrament of Reconciliation for First Holy Communion.** On Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 5pm at **St Gregory's Church**.

**Parish Remembrance Masses.** Our Lady's on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November and Sacred Heart on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November, both at 6pm. They will be special Masses to remember all those who have died. Anyone who would like a loved one remembered in each Mass is asked to give their name in as you arrive for the Requiem Mass. All the names will be read out.

**Parish Retreat.** The retreat for our three parishes will be held in the church and church hall of the Sacred Heart parish on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November, beginning with Mass at 9.30am. A lunch of bread, soup and cheese will be provided but donations of cakes or desserts would be most welcome! Please come to as much of the day as you can; it promises to be a great start for Advent. See posters for details.

**Mass, Rosary and Exposition offered for Vocations.** At Our Lady of Perpetual Succour on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 6pm. Please join us and 'Pray the Lord of the Harvest to send labourers into the vineyard'... Refreshments afterwards.

**St Anselm's Meeting.** A meeting has been arranged for Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at St Anselm's starting at 6pm for those who wish to discuss further the proposed closure of our church in December 2020. Fr Andrew Behrens (representing Bishop Peter and Dean of our Pastoral Area) and Fr Jerry will preside at the meeting.

**Mass for sick and elderly.** Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30pm at Sacred Heart followed by afternoon tea. Those needing transportation, please contact the SVP or Lorraine in the parish office.

**Help needed.** We are looking for volunteers to help transport parishioners for the Mass for the Sick and Elderly on 6<sup>th</sup> December at Sacred Heart. If you are able to help, please contact Lorraine in the parish office.

**Sacred Heart help needed.** We have a parishioner with two young children who needs a lift so that they can attend 5.30pm Mass on Saturday evenings. Anyone who can help, please contact Anne (SVP) on 07504 465707.

**Sacred Heart SVP.** The Giving Tree will be going up next weekend. We are aiming to distribute 40 hampers this year. Please take a tag (or two) and return them by Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.

**Sacred Heart cake stall.** This weekend. All money goes to the Lourdes fund.

**Sacred Heart holly wreaths.** If you would like to order any please put your name on the notice in the church porch.

**St Gregory's Church monthly healing Mass.** This month the Mass will be on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 2.20pm. All are welcome

**Appeal for children's books.** A child cancer foundation, WESOAMO, is appealing for children's books, video games and toys to furnish a playroom and a library for children recovering from cancer in hospital in Ghana. For further information, please contact Fr Jerry or Lorraine.

**Prayer for a new Bishop.** This will be said together with the bidding prayers during Mass:

Lord God you are our eternal shepherd and guide. In your mercy grant your Church of Northampton a shepherd who will walk in your ways and whose watchful care will bring us your blessing.

Lord, bless us with the fullness of your love. Give us the joy of having a shepherd to lead your Church of Northampton who will be pleasing and acceptable to you.

Lord, in your love for us, give us the joy of receiving a shepherd who will be an example of goodness to your people and will fill our hearts and minds with the truth of the gospel.

Mary Immaculate – Pray for us. St Thomas of Canterbury – Pray for us.

**Christmas Mass Times:**

**Sacred Heart:**

**Tues 24<sup>th</sup> December:** 5.30pm - Family Vigil Mass for Christmas  
10pm - Vigil Mass

**Weds 25<sup>th</sup> December:** 11am - Christmas morning Mass

**St Anselm:**

**Tues 24<sup>th</sup> December:** 9.30pm Vigil Mass

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