



The Sacred Heart

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Diocesan Shrine,
Our Lady of
Perpetual Succour
& St Anselm

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SacredHeartNorthampton

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Northampton, Reg'd Charity No: 234091

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 4th/5th January 2020
The Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday	5.30pm (Sacred Heart)	Raymond Riley R.I.P.; Samantha De Boer
Sunday 5 th Jan	8.00am (St Anselm)	Heather Webb (Foundation Mass)
	9.15am (Our Lady)	For the parish
	10.30am (Sacred Heart)	The Boshell family
Monday	9.30am (Sacred Heart)	Mary Rowland R.I.P
	6.00pm (Our Lady)	No 6pm Mass today
Tuesday	9.30am (Sacred Heart)	Maria Spencer R.I.P.
Wednesday	9.30am (Sacred Heart)	Martha McCaffrey R.I.P. (Anniv)
	6.00pm (Our Lady)	No 6pm Mass today
Thursday	9.30am (Sacred Heart)	Ray Beirne R.I.P. (21 st Anniv)
Friday	9.30am (Sacred Heart)	Alf Harrison R.I.P.
Saturday	10.00am (Our Lady)	Edith Nicolls (Foundation Mass) & Exposition
	5.30pm (Sacred Heart)	Paddy Hynes R.I.P
Sunday 12 th Jan	8.00am (St Anselm)	For the parish
	9.15am (Our Lady)	John Wilson R.I.P.
	10.30am (Sacred Heart)	Geoff Pears R.I.P; James Poddington R.I.P.

Feastdays: Sunday – The Epiphany of the Lord.

Anniversaries: Samantha de Boer, Jan Borucki, Hugh McCarrison, James Dickens, Eugene Doherty, James Burton, Keith Watson, Raymond Riley, Robert Rimmer, Isabella Clark, Martha McCaffrey, Joan Copping, Ray Beirne, Christopher Johnson, Candice Dylag, Douglas Smallbone. R.I.P.

Please pray for all our sick.

Pope Francis' Special Intention. January: Promotion of World Peace. We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

Next Week's Liturgy of the Word: Isaiah 42:1-4.6-7, Ps 28:1-4.9-10.R.v11, Apostles 10:34-38, Matthew 3:13-17.

Last week's collection: Sacred Heart: £673.94 (and £475 from standing orders)

Sacred Heart Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for next week:

	Saturday 11th Jan 5.30pm	Sunday 12th Jan 10.30am
Readers:	Heron team	McMorrow team
Eucharistic Ministers:	N Radomilovic	M O'Reilly

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

The Institute, Great Billing. Please note that there has been some further damage to the roof of the Institute and the building is currently not safe to be used.

Sacred Heart Eucharistic Ministers Meeting. Sunday 12th January in the parish hall after 10.30am Mass. If you are unable to attend please let me know so we are not sitting waiting for you to return from taking Holy Communion out.

Baptism classes for both parishes. Fr Jerry will be leading a baptism class for parents of infants or children under the age of 6, on Sunday 12th January after 10.30am Mass with the baptisms to be on 26th January or 2nd February. For further information, please contact Lorraine in the parish office.

Our Lady's First Holy Communion classes. Due to the Institute being unusable, the children will be taking classes in the Church immediately after 9.15am Mass. It would be very helpful if parishioners could vacate the Church as soon as possible after Mass so that classes can begin promptly.

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD: Theme: *“The sight of star filled them with delight...”*

Today, we celebrate the appearance of the Lord Jesus Christ to the whole world through the guidance of a Star. The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God and saviour of the World. The celebration of Epiphany brings out a prominent aspect of Christmas; we celebrate the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the east. Other aspects of the epiphany include the baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee. (CCC#528)

Many people love to travel around for various reasons! They pay a handsome amount of money to attend a pop show where a famous artist makes an appearance. That is their epiphany. For the Greeks, the word “Epiphany” was used to describe the appearance or manifestation of a god among human beings. As Christians, we journey through life as a light to the world guiding it to find Christ. Unlike Herod who is upset by the enquiry made by the three Wise men, we are called to be joyful about the Gospel of Christ. We are to bring gifts from our hearts and minds made pure. The gifts of the three Wise men have symbolic meanings: gold signifies the kingship of Christ, incense his divinity and myrrh his redemptive suffering.

May Jesus Christ, the Light of the world, light up our journey of faith so that we may see clearly and make the right choices in life so that we will one day see him face to face.

Sacred Heart First Holy Communion. The third preparation session will be on Saturday 11th January at Sacred Heart Church from 2pm-4.30pm. This session is for both children and adults.

Bible Timeline courses. There will be **two new Timeline courses** in January at St. Gregory's Church. On Mondays in the sacristy at 1pm: ROMANS and on Tuesday mornings in the sacristy at 10am: JAMES. There will also be a course starting on 25th February 2020 for 5 weeks on Tuesdays at 10am in the sacristy at St Gregory's: A BIBLICAL WALK WITH MARY in connection with the rededication of England as Mary's Dowry. Don't forget that the Bible Timeline course at Sacred Heart continues on Tuesdays at 10.15am during term time until Easter 2020.

St Gregory's Catholic Primary School. We are a school where pupils experience and learn more every day. With a 'Good' EYFS setting, a nursery, and a thriving PE and Sports department, our pupils can experience a well-rounded start walking together in the light of the Lord. Discover more at our open day events, which are every Monday and Tuesday morning until the application deadline on 15th January 2020, with Assistant Headteacher & EYFS Lead Mrs Lucy. You can book a place online <https://www.stgregoryscatholicprimaryschool.org.uk/> or contact us on 01604 403511.

Catholic Basics Part I "God". Saturday 25th January 2020 at the Diocesan Centre, Luton, LU4 8JD. Come and join us from 10am to 3pm (9.30am for refreshments) for an engaging and informative day. Course pack and sandwich lunch provided in £15 cost. This is the second year of this successful course. For details and booking: Tel 01582 723312 or admin@nores.org.uk

New year's resolution: Make a difference through CAFOD. Try something that is calorie-free and life giving. We really need people who are interested to go into our Catholic schools and inspire students to act on their sense of justice. You don't have to be a teacher to do this role, only a passion for CAFOD's work and an ability to communicate well with children and young people. If you are good at motivating others we have the ideal role for you - inspiring other volunteers in nearby parishes. Also, we would love to share more of the great acts of love carried out by our parishes and schools via media. So if you are able to help promote our work in this way, we would love to hear from you. All necessary training, travel expenses and resources will be provided. To get in touch: northampton@cafod.org.uk or 01494 863 777.

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.