



The Sacred Heart

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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
Charismatic Prayer Group: 1st & 3rd Weds every month

Our Lady & St Anselm Diary:

Our Lady:
Prayer at The Shrine inc. Stations of the Cross & Exposition: Weds 2pm
Novena: Thurs 1-2pm
Exposition: Sat 10.30am-12pm
St Anselm:
Prayer Group & Stations of the Cross: Tues 7pm

Masses & Services 22nd/23rd February 2020
Seventh Sunday of the Year

Saturday	5.30pm (Sacred Heart)	William Murphy R.I.P.; Herve Berney (sick)
Sunday 23 rd Feb	8.00am (St Anselm) 9.15am (Our Lady) 10.30am (Sacred Heart)	For the parish Thomas Francis R.I.P.; Antonia 'Tola' Mathews Lily McKie R.I.P. (Mason Family)
Monday	9.30am (Sacred Heart) 6.00pm (Our Lady)	Mrs Creedon R.I.P. No 6pm Mass today
Tuesday	9.30am (Sacred Heart)	Service of Word & Communion
Ash Wednesday	9.30am (Sacred Heart) 6.30pm (Our Lady)	Margaret Murphy R.I.P. (Foundation); Doc Vickery R.I.P. Olga Dalrymple-Wilson (Foundation Mass)
Thursday	9.30am (Sacred Heart)	John Cox R.I.P.; Billy Murphy R.I.P.
Friday	9.30am (Sacred Heart)	Joseph & Maria (Parents of Mr & Mrs Hoang)
Saturday	10.00am (Our Lady) 5.30pm (Sacred Heart)	Ralph & Joyce Burgess (Foundation Mass) & Exposition Mai Kneafsey R.I.P.; Billy Murphy R.I.P.
Sunday 1 st March	8.00am (St Anselm) 9.15am (Our Lady) 10.30am (Sacred Heart)	William & Mary Weston (Foundation Mass) Alan & Christine Breed (Foundation Mass) Sylvia Woolland; Lily McKie R.I.P. (CDL)

Feastdays: Wednesday – Ash Wednesday.

Anniversaries: Berry Walsh, Henry Thomas, Ivy Sheridan, Rita Kelly, Thomas Lynch, John Doyle, Samantha Borucki, John Campion, Catherine Buist, Dan Dunne, Rachel Forsyth, Ernest Humberstone, Gill Mahoney R.I.P.

Please pray for all our sick.

Pope Francis' Special Intention. February: Listen to the Migrants' Cries. We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

Next Week's Liturgy of the Word: Genesis 2:7-9.3:1-7, Ps 50:3-6.12-14.17.R.cf.v3, Romans 5:12-19, Matthew 4:1-11.

Last week's collection: **Sacred Heart:** £464.45 (and £475 from standing orders)
Our Lady's: £282.80 **St Anselm:** £184 (and £85 from standing orders)

Sacred Heart Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for next week:

	Saturday 29th Feb 5.30pm	Sunday 1st March 10.30am
Readers:	Heron team	Moore/Watts
Eucharistic Ministers:	F Harrison	M O'Reilly

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

Sacred Heart Lourdes Pilgrimage. 31st July–6th August. £725 including flights & transfers. See Wendy or Colette for more information.

Valerie Hanson MBE. Valerie Hanson who established the Soup Kitchen in Northampton (now the Hope centre and Valerie Hanson house for homeless young people) died peacefully at The Oakwood Nursing Home on 5th February, aged 92. Her funeral will be at St Gregory's Church on Tuesday 3rd March at 12 noon, followed by burial at East Haddon Cemetery.

Barney Byrne R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Barney Byrne who died peacefully in hospital on Thursday morning. Please keep Barney and his family in your prayers.

Diocesan Directories. Now on sale in each church. £5 each.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR: Theme: *“Love your enemies...”*

Jesus Christ gives a new dimension to the law of loving one’s neighbour by extending it to loving one’s enemy. The Israelites were accustomed to loving one’s neighbour; “You must love your neighbour as yourself” (c.f Lev. 19:18). The novelty in Jesus’ law is loving someone who hates or opposes. It is only in loving our enemies and praying for those who persecute us that we show that we are true sons and daughters of God. Even in his agony on the cross, Jesus courageously prays and asks for forgiveness for those who killed him. A civil rights leader who strove to follow this commandment of loving one’s neighbour comments: “I am not speaking of love in a sentimental or affectionate sense. It would be nonsense to urge people to love their oppressors in an affectionate sense. When I refer to love in this context, I mean understanding goodwill (goodness) – we must in strength and humility meet hatred with love”. Hatred cannot conquer hatred. Love, and only love triumphs over hatred.

Sacred Heart First Holy Communion. The next preparation session will be on Saturday 29th February from 2pm-4.30pm. This session is for both children and adults.

ENCOUNTER Youth Group. The next youth group meeting, for young people from 11-18 is on Sunday 23rd February from 5.30pm-7pm, in the Sacred Heart parish hall.

Sacred Heart cake stall. Next weekend. Please bake and buy. All monies go to the Lourdes fund.

Life House Quiz Night. Friday 6th March at 7pm at St Gregory’s Church hall. Tickets £10 per person. Fish & Chip supper included in ticket price. Bring your own drinks. Raffle on the night. <https://lifecharity.org.uk/>

Fundraising dinner for Year of the Word Festival. The Bible Timeline Team are raising funds in order to pay for people from the local area to attend the Year of the Word Diocesan Scripture Festival on Saturday 6th June. There will be a sumptuous fundraising dinner this (Shrove) Tuesday 25th February at 7.30pm at St Gregory’s Church Hall. There are limited tickets available, which are for a suggested donation of £12.50 each. To reserve a ticket please contact Alex Heath on 07963032175 or heath@nores.org.uk as soon as possible. For more information about the WORDFEST2020 festival please see: www.northamptondiocese.org/wordfest

Sacred Heart CAFOD. Contributions from envelopes from June 2019 to 12/01/2020 amounted to £1,006.10. Thank you all very much.

Our Lady’s - World Day of Prayer and preparation for Lent. Let us come and be with the Lord in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. 24-hour Adoration At Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, the Diocesan Shrine, will start with 10am Mass on Friday 6th March and end with 10am Mass on Saturday 7th March. Please put your name on the sign-up sheet available in the porches of Our Lady’s and the Sacred Heart.

Booklets for the preparation of rededication of England as Our Lady’s Dowry. On 29th March, England will be rededicated as the ‘Dowry of Mary.’ This will happen in every Catholic Cathedral, in every parish and in as many homes as possible. We have been asked to prepare spiritually for the rededication by praying the Angelus every day after our parish Masses. There are also booklets which can be found in porches of each church: a Do-It-Yourself Retreat. They are available for every family. Please take one.

Wordfest. The Bishops have asked that we celebrate 2020 as the Year of the Word, with the beautiful title of The God Who Speaks. As part of our diocesan celebrations we are organising a Scripture Festival Day for families, catechists, readers, people who know a lot about the Bible, and people who don’t know anything at all, but wish they did! With fantastic speakers, CJM music, Rise Theatre, a multitude of workshops, youth and children’s streams, the National Scripture Tour and a sky dancing St Jerome, book your place now and join us for a proper diocesan festival day. (10am to 4.30pm) We have special provision for children and young people which we want to be every bit as good as what’s going on for the adults. They are going to have the best time! Rise Theatre and the CAFOD Schools Team will be going into the streams. We will also have the fabulous John Hardwick, Christian puppeteer for the children’s stream.

SVP Pilgrimage to Walsingham. Sunday 5th July. In order to know approximate numbers, please can people put their names on the lists in the back in the back of the churches or contact Lorraine in the parish office. Please let us know by the end of March.

NYMO Youth Ministry Conference. NYMO will be hosting a Youth Ministry Conference on the 7th March, for all who love young people in our Church, and want to work to lead them to a closer encounter with Christ. The event is being held at the RE Centre in Luton. More details at <https://nymo.org/conference/>

YOUCAT for Kids book. The book is aimed at those involved with children under secondary school age. It is a wonderful resource and if anyone would like to buy one, please contact Lorraine in the parish office.

Looking forward to Lent! There will be a course on Tuesday evenings during Lent in St. Gregory’s Church Hall and all are warmly invited to join. The DVD series is entitled ‘The Mystery of God’ and there will be discussion based on his presentation as part of the evening. Let’s deepen our faith this Lent.

Billing Covenanted Churches Together. The season of Lent gives us an opportunity to set time aside from the busyness of our daily lives to reflect, re-focus and put things in perspective. This year’s BCCT **Lent Quiet Morning** will be at the Methodist Chapel on Saturday 7th March - coffee at 10.45am for 11am start, and concluding with a bread and soup lunch at 12.30pm. No charge for the event but there will be an opportunity to make a donation to BCCT funds over lunch. Billing Methodist Chapel will be holding **Prayer Breakfasts every Tuesday during Lent** sharing in a short liturgy with space for personal prayer and then at 9am we enjoy a simple breakfast of fruit juice, cereal and toast.

Holy Week services are: Monday 6th April at the Methodist Chapel, Tuesday 7th at Our Lady’s (Stations of the Cross), Wednesday 8th at St Andrew’s Parish Church. These services all start at 7.30pm. Why not come along and join us on any of these dates? All are welcome.

Stations of the Cross. Tuesdays during Lent there will be Stations of the Cross at St. Anselm’s at 7pm and on Wednesdays, including Ash Wednesday at 2pm at Our Lady’s, Great Billing.