



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  
Charismatic Prayer Group: 7.30pm 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Weds every month

**Our Lady & St Anselm Diary:**

**Our Lady:**

Prayer at The Shrine & Stations of the Cross: Weds 2pm  
Novena: Thurs 1-2pm  
Exposition: Sat 10.30am-12pm

**St Anselm:**

Stations of the Cross & silent prayer: Tues 7pm

**Masses & Services 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> March 2020**  
**Third Sunday of Lent**

Saturday	5.30pm (Sacred Heart)	Audrey Glover R.I.P.; Fr Frank Calnan R.I.P.
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	8.00am (St Anselm) 9.15am (Our Lady) 10.30am (Sacred Heart)	Jan Grzesiukowicz R.I.P. Mikolaj & Wanda Galan (Foundation Mass) Fr Frank Calnan R.I.P.
Monday	9.30am (Sacred Heart) 6.00pm (Our Lady)	Barney Byrne RIP; Aley Cutty George (birthday thanksgiving) For the sick
Tuesday	9.30am (Sacred Heart) 7.00pm (St Anselm)	Brigitte Berney R.I.P (Anniversary) Stations of the Cross
Wednesday	9.30am (Sacred Heart) 2.00pm (Our Lady)	Kathleen Wilson Stations of the Cross
Thursday	<b>9.00am</b> (Sacred Heart)	Dominic Henry (Anniversary); Bridget O'Leary R.I.P.
Friday	7.00pm (Sacred Heart) 7.30pm (Sacred Heart)	Stations of the Cross Lily McKie R.I.P.
Saturday	10.00am (Our Lady) 5.30pm (Sacred Heart)	For the parish & Exposition Eddie Owens R.I.P.; Bridget O'Leary R.I.P.
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	8.00am (St Anselm) 9.15am (Our Lady) 10.30am (Sacred Heart)	Eileen Weston (Foundation Mass) Michael Smith (Foundation Mass) Eileen Dunne R.I.P.

**Feastdays:** Tuesday – St Patrick, Thursday – St Joseph.

**Anniversaries:** Eileen Kaicer, Thomas Casey, Thomas O'Malley, Joseph Gyori, Walter Jones, Maureen Hale, Brigitte Berney, Jan Lucas, Agnes Ingram, Michael Ducker, Marjorie Golton, Anna McManus R.I.P.

**Please pray for all our sick.**

**Pope Francis' Special Intention. March:** We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

**Next Week's Liturgy of the Word:** Samuel 16:1.6-7.10-13, Ps 22. R.v1, Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9:1.6-9.13-17.34-38.

**Last week's collection:** Sacred Heart: £501.40 (and £475 from standing orders)  
Our Lady's: £290.50 St Anselm: £234 (and £85 from standing orders)

**Last week's second collection. CAFOD Family Fast Day:** Our Lady & St Anselm: £637.35

**Next week's second collection for SACRED HEART ONLY:** SVP.

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

	<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March 5.30pm</b>	<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 10.30am</b>
<b>Readers:</b>	Confirmandii	Sleet/Merriman
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	A Dube	H Helm

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

**Confirmation.** Please note the next session is on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March at Sacred Heart church hall. The session is from 3-5pm followed by Mass at 5.30pm. Parents must attend the Parent's Briefing at 3pm.

**Baptism Class.** Please note the next class will be in the Sacred Heart Church hall after 10.30am Mass on 22<sup>nd</sup> March. The class is for baptisms at all three churches.

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT:** Theme: *The encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan*

Jesus Christ does not reveal the Holy Spirit fully until he himself has been glorified through his death and resurrection. Nevertheless, little by little he alludes to the Holy Spirit even in his teaching to the Samaritan woman. (CCC#728)

In his encounter with the Samaritan woman and Jesus continues, the former gradually discovers the true identity of Jesus Christ. Jesus patiently takes the woman through a process of revealing who he is. At first, she sees him only as a Jewish man who, rather oddly for the culture of the time, is speaking to her, a Samaritan woman. Then, when he shows particular knowledge of her, she acknowledges him to be a prophet. Finally, leaving her water jar, she went to announce that she has found the Messiah to her fellow villagers. In return, Jesus reveals to her that he is the source of living water, the power of the Holy Spirit, to bring cleansing and new life, a fountain which will not dry up.

The symbolism of water signifies the Holy Spirit's action in Baptism. Just as the gestation of our first birth took place in water, so the water of baptism truly signifies that our birth into the divine life is given to us in the Holy Spirit. As by one Spirit, we were all baptized, so we are also made to drink of one Spirit. Therefore, the Spirit is also personally the living water welling up from Christ crucified as its source and welling up in us to eternal life. (CCC#694) The world needs this flowing water to quench our spiritual thirst of love and joy. Let us come before God, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord.

**Roadworks near Sacred Heart Church.** There are to be repairs carried out to the A43 Lumbertubs/Weston Favell northbound underpass from 16<sup>th</sup> March – 3<sup>rd</sup> May. During these works, the underpass to go northbound on the A43 Lumbertubs Way and the southbound exit slip onto Weston Favell will be closed 24 hours a day for the full duration of the works. There will also be 24-hour lane closures on the A43 Lumbertubs Way between the A43/A45 roundabout at Riverside and St Gregory's Road roundabout. To see the full details and maps of the diversions, there is a link on the home page of the Sacred Heart parish website.

**New Collection Envelopes.** The collection envelopes for the next 12 months will be available from Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. At Our Lady's and St Anselm's, please collect these after Mass from James Bellamy. At Sacred Heart, the boxes will be in the porch. If your details have changed or if you would like to join the scheme, please contact the parish office. If you are a tax payer and would like to join the Gift Aid scheme which allows the parish to reclaim 25% of your donation the very short forms will be available on the day or from the parish office.

**Food Banks.** At the back of Our Lady's and St Anselm churches there is a box for food bank donations. If you can spare any food or during your weekly shop if you could buy something extra, please place it in the box and we will deliver it to the food banks. Our Lady's will go to Emmanuel Food bank in Weston Favell and St Anselm's will go to Earls Barton is Kind, both will be used in the local areas.

**Toilets at Sacred Heart.** Children must be accompanied by an adult when they go downstairs to the toilet. There is no security downstairs and there are exterior doors which must be unlocked as they are fire exits. Thank you for helping to keep the children safe.

**Thomas Becket Reunion.** Thomas Becket class of 1980 are holding a 40 year reunion on 11<sup>th</sup> July at Semilong Working Men's Club. Tickets are £6 which include a light buffet are available on Eventbrite: Thomas Becket class of 1980 - 40 years later reunion.

**Come celebrate together – the Consecration of our new bishop.** This takes place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 11am in the Cathedral. Due to the size of our dioceses, attendance is by invitation only. But this doesn't mean we can't be part of this great occasion! The whole ceremony will be live-streamed (for those of us of a certain age, this means we can watch it on the Internet!). And this will be shown on a big screen in the church hall, starting with tea and coffee at 10.15am. Please come and celebrate this special day with other parishioners. **Please note that there will NOT be a shared lunch.** If you have difficulty with transport, please contact Margaret on 01604 495025 and we will do our best to help.

**SVP Pilgrimage to Walsingham.** Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

**WINTERSHALL – a three parish event!** We hope you saw the flyer about our planned trip to this amazing event on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June and know that we are intending to fund raise so that the only cost is for the tickets. Tickets are £25 (adult) and £9 (child) but this may be less – depending on numbers and success of fundraising. There is a signup sheet at the back of each church so please do add your names and contact details or contact Lorraine in the parish office on sacredheartchurch@btconnect.com or 01604 402301. Watch this space for more details and info about deposits etc. The coach will have a toilet.

**Stations of the Cross: St Anselm's: Tuesdays 7pm, Our Lady's: Wednesdays 2pm, Sacred Heart: Fridays 7pm**

**Coronavirus update.** We have been advised to implement Stage Two of the guidelines. This includes **no holy water in the stoups, no physical rite of peace, Communion only in the hand, no Communion from the chalice and collection plate not being passed around.**

All parishioners should ensure that they thoroughly wash their hands before attending Mass and follow Catch it (use a tissue), Bin it (used tissues in a bin), Kill it - wash hands with soap and water or alcohol gel asap. Do not touch your face unless you've washed your hands.

Where there is a Eucharistic minister, it is essential that he/she thoroughly washes hands before ministry. There is hand sanitiser on the altar for both the priest and Eucharistic minister to sanitize their hands.

The most vulnerable members of our parish (elderly, people with weakened immune systems and long-term conditions like cancer, diabetes and heart disease) are strongly encouraged to refrain from attending large parish gatherings and to stay at home.

**Government advice is that anyone with flu-like symptoms, defined as a fever of above 37.8C or a new, persistent cough, is being asked to stay at home for at least seven days. Anyone who has travelled to an affected area, or who has been in close contact with an infected person, should self-isolate for 14 days.**