



**Sacred Heart Parish
and
Diocesan Shrine & Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour**



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OL = Our Lady's
SH = Sacred Heart

7th/8th March 2026

Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday	OL	9.30am	Ss. Perpetua & Felicity	Fr. Damien Walne R.I.P. (Anniversary)
	SH	5.30pm	Third Sunday of Lent Year A	John Fleming R.I.P.
Sunday 8th March	OL	9.15am		
	SH	10.30am		Francesca Trezise R.I.P. (Anniversary)
Monday	SH	9.30am		Joyce D'monte R.I.P.
Tuesday	OL	9.30am		Breda Coleman R.I.P.
Wednesday	SH	9.30am		Natasha Betsy R.I.P. (40 th Birthday)
Thursday	OL	9.30am		Mark Hatcher R.I.P. (Anniversary)
Friday	SH	9.30am		Bridie Walsh R.I.P.
Saturday	OL	9.30am	Fourth Sunday of Lent Year A	Breda Coleman R.I.P.
	SH	5.30pm		Michael Connors R.I.P. (Anniversary)
Sunday 15th March	OL	9.15am		Sidney Jones R.I.P. (Birthday)
	SH	10.30am		Fr. Calnan R.I.P. (Anniversary)

Stations of the Cross. During Lent, Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at the Sacred Heart Church on Fridays at 6.15pm. They will also be celebrated at Our Lady's, Great Billing on Sundays at 8.40am.

Confessions. Confessions will be on Saturdays, at Our Lady's from 10am-10.30am and at Sacred Heart from 4.45pm-5.15pm.

Events at our churches. Our Lady's: Tuesdays 1-2pm: Parish Prayer Time. Stations of the Cross during Lent. Should anyone wish to join, they need not stay for the complete hour unless they would like to.

Wednesdays from 2pm - 3pm: Rosary & Exposition.

Thursdays 1-2pm: Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour. 7.30pm: Divine Will Prayer Group

Saturdays after 9.30am Mass – 12noon: Exposition.

Daily 9am before Mass (except Sunday): Rosary.

Sacred Heart: Exposition: Saturdays from 4.45pm - 5.15pm. Mondays 10-11am – except Bank Holidays.

Anniversaries: Rachael Ayodele, Francesca Trezise, Kerry Barber, Beatrice Burke, James Darlington, Eileen Harris, Cecilia Manchester, Muriel Harris, Jimmy Clancy, Eileen Cleary, Henry Noone, Ted McDonald, Eddie Teehan, Margaret Wall, Patrick Coleman, Ann Costello, Eileen Kaicer, Thomas Casey, Thomas O'Malley, Joseph Gyoni, Bob Taylor. **R.I.P.**

Please pray for all our recently deceased. Alessandro Rossetti, Louis Holtz, Mavis Brophy.

Please pray for all our sick.

The Holy Father's Special Intention. We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

Help needed. We would be grateful to hear from any electricians who can do occasional Portable Appliance Testing. If you can help, please speak to one of the SVP or leave a message on the SVP phone 07504465707. Thank you.

Missing flat cap. After a funeral at Our Lady's on 27th January, a flat cap was left on the table to be collected but has since gone missing. If this was taken by mistake, could it be returned to the church please, so that it can be reunited with its owner.

The Annunciation of the Lord: 24 Hour Adoration. Wednesday-Thursday 25th-26th March. 24-hour Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will start at 11am at Our Lady's Shrine, Great Billing on Wednesday 25th March. Which will continue until the 9.30am Mass on the Thursday. Sign-up sheets for the Exposition are available at the back of both churches.

Planned Giving envelopes. The envelopes for 2025-26 are now available. If you would like to be added to the list, please see Fr. Brendan or email the parish office.

Tea & Coffee at Sacred Heart. Refreshments after 10.30am Mass continues every Sunday in the church hall. Everyone is very welcome to come along and join in with coffee, cake and chat.

Parish Golden Jubilee. We would like to display the flags of all the countries of origin or family roots of all our parishioners. Over the next few weeks there will be a sheet in the porch to collect the names of these countries. You do not need to put your name, and we only need the country to be listed once. Thank you for your help.

Mass for the Sick at the Sacred Heart. The SVP Mass for the Sick will take place on Wednesday 11th March at 1.30pm in the Church Hall. We will be joined by children from St. Gregory's Catholic Primary School who will lead our singing. Refreshments will be provided after mass. Should you require a lift, please fill in the form at the back of the church or inform a member of the SVP. If you know anyone who would like to attend, please encourage them to come along.

CAFOD: The Big Lent Walk. Are you ready for a challenge this Lent? How about walking 200km during Lent for life-saving water? Walk anytime, anywhere – raise funds for life-saving water. You can start part way through Lent if you didn't get a chance to sign up beforehand. Your sponsorship can and will change lives. Every £1 raised through the Big Lent Walk will help to bring life-saving water to communities in places like Ethiopia and Peru. Go to <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/> to sign up and for more information.

Alpha course for young adults. Have you got questions about faith and life? Come and join us as we explore the big questions of life at our Alpha course for young adults (18–30) starting on 12th March at 7pm. Alpha is a welcoming and open space to explore life, faith, and meaning in a relaxed setting. All young adults (18-30) are warmly invited. For more information or to register, please contact holly.cook@northamptondiocese.org or check our website nymo.org.uk.

Vacancy. St Gregory's Catholic Primary School are recruiting for a Class Teacher: Permanent, Part-time, 3 days per week. Further information about the school can be found on the school website www.stgregoryscatholicprimaryschool.uk, and applications can be made via the MyNewTerm portal on our website www.stgregoryscatholicprimaryschool.uk or on the Trust website: www.olicatschools.org. Closing date for completed applications: Wednesday 18th March 2026. Interview Date: Tuesday 24th March 2026. Start Date: Summer term or as soon as possible after.

Born for This. The Cathedral, Northampton at 6pm on Wednesday 25th March. Weston Favell Academy students will be taking to the stage to share a moving and powerful depiction of the stations of the cross (lasting approx. an hour). It is FREE to all. Donations welcome.

Liturgical Formation Sessions. The Diocesan Liturgical Formation team holds a series of online Zoom Sessions exploring the upcoming Lectionary Readings and Seasons of the Liturgical Year for readers and other interested people. It's a valuable opportunity to develop our engagement with the Scriptures that we hear proclaimed at the Liturgy of the Word at Mass. Each session runs 7.30-8.30pm and will include prayer, input and the opportunity to make comments and ask questions. There is no charge but you can make a donation. Please register in advance to secure a place by emailing deaconpeter.collins@northamptondiocese.org Once your booking is received you will be sent details of how to join the online Zoom session.

Strategic Lead for Caritas Social Action. We're seeking a passionate individual to lead Caritas initiatives across the Diocese of Northampton. This part-time role (3 days per week) is based at the St Thomas Centre, Northampton. If you are committed to Catholic Social Teaching and have experience in project leadership and community outreach, we'd love to hear from you! Full information for the position and an application form can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs> All candidates should complete a Diocesan application form and email it to: hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org This vacancy remains open until the position is filled.

A Time to Listen. "There is a need and duty for us to listen to those who have been hurt by abuse and are suffering. It is humbling for me as the Bishop to listen to victims and survivors. We know the devastation which abuse has on someone's life". *Bishop David Oakley* Bishop David is available to meet with anyone affected by abuse, as a victim, survivor, their families or supporters, where private discussions can take place in a safe and non-judgmental environment. These meetings can be arranged at a location of your choice and you are also welcome to be accompanied by a support person. Contact Danielle, our Safeguarding Coordinator on 01604 723514 or safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org Support is offered before, during and after appointments.

Role Vacancy – Chair of the Safeguarding Advisory Board. The SAB continues in its search for a new Chair to lead the work of the board. The SAB meets on a quarterly basis (3 meetings online) to oversee the work of the safeguarding office including new and ongoing reports of allegations and concerns. A new Chair is required to lead the board with an initial term period of 3 years. A brief description and role specification is available. We are keen to hear from anyone who might be interested in this rewarding role, an opportunity to support the diocese to build further upon its recent audit and improve safeguarding standards for all. Please get in contact on 01604 723514 to discuss the role further.

Parish Registration: We no longer hold any data in our parishes unless it is held within CASPAR. Therefore, we are asking all parishioners to follow the link or QR code (scan with your phone's camera) and sign up. Please note, if you would like to receive the newsletter by email on Fridays, you must register for CASPAR.

Our Lady's: www.caspar.church/me?ID=56012

Sacred Heart: www.caspar.church/me?ID=56062

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