

ST. ANSELM

Proclaiming Christ in Hayes

The Gift

Of a Mother

God, in His infinite mercy, has given us a mother. Some of us still have our mothers around; some might have lost their mothers after birth, but the point remains, which is we all have a mother. A mother is a gift that God has given to all of us, and we must appreciate and cherish them because their role is vital. A mother is an excellent gift from God himself and He alone. God has bestowed on us many gifts, but the gift of a mother is unique, which is why it is important to cherish and celebrate.

God made the Blessed Virgin Mary a mother through the Holy Spirit's power; through this, we receive salvation. The Blessed Virgin Mary sacrificed everything for the baby Jesus, which is what every mother does: sacrifice everything for the child. At the birth of a baby, all that the mother thinks of is the child's well-being, even to the detriment of her own life.

No mother can say that she does not go through trials; every mother goes through it. To be honest, mothers have worries, challenges, struggles, pains, failures and many more, but they are always focused, and their main aim is to make their children better people. Because of this, they put all their difficulties aside and press on to reach their



goals. Amanda Idleman, contributing to the article '5 Ways Mothers are Truly a Gift from God' (April 19th, 2023), wrote "Mothers lay down their bodies, give up their sleep, cry many tears, pray so many prayers, and hope daily that God writes a good story for our kids. Sometimes, we hope this despite our failings." While reading this, I began to reflect on how my mother could take care of me and my five siblings. A mother is a gift indeed. Mothers, you are indeed a blessing.

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Please let us know of illness or other need as soon as possible.

Prayer focus

That God will continue to pour his blessings on all Mothers and continue to put smiles on their faces.

Worship focus

That each of us will encounter Christ and experience his Love, Comfort and direction when in a state of dilemma

This Sunday Sunday 17th March

4th Sunday of Lent (Rose)

Laetare Sunday - Mothering Sunday

10am - Parish Mass

Divine Office Psalter Week 4, Year B(II) Keep in Touch

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The funeral services of the late Wayne Campbell is on This Tuesday 12th March at 11:00 am and that of the late Simone Gomez is on this Wednesday 13th March at 1:30 pm, here in St. Anselm.

If you want to be baptized or know somebody who want to be baptized on Easter Sunday, please see Fr Josiah for a baptism form.

Please take note of the services for Palm Sunday and Holy Week:

24th March - Palm Sunday - 10am, The Children will be building the Easter Garden after Mass

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week - 3pm, Stations of the Cross, 7pm Confessions and 7:30pm High Mass

28th - Maundy Thursday - 8pm High Mass of the Lord's Supper with Washing of feet

29th - Good Friday - 3pm Liturgy of the Passion with Veneration of the Cross

* 31st - Easter Sunday, Easter Mass with Procession - 10am

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Years Mind

- 10th - Daisy Mary Peet, John Riches, David Ponsonby
- 11th - Jack Surman
- 12th - Frank May
- 13th - Caroline Johns, Marion Hunter
- 14th - Mary Martha Ware, Charlotte Ramsay, Alfred Palmer, June Carter Frank Norman
- 15th - Margaret Thoady, Veronica Murray, Surinder Soor, Len Wheeler,
- 16th - Ethel Adey-Moore, Maud Pearce, Leslie Robert Tuckwell,

Pray This Week For

Mavis & Daniel Sibley, June Boughton, Verity, Laura & her twins, Deborah Annabelle Potts, Julie, Mark, Scarlett and Lilly-Ann, Linda, Dany, Jenny and Michael Appleby, Ransley, Kalaiselvi, Rob, Margaret, Chris Gomez, Freya and K.

Monday 11th March

Monday of Week 4 in Lent (P)

[Offices said privately]

Prayer focus: Our online family

Tuesday 12th March

Tuesday of Week 4 in Lent (P)

9:45 - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

5pm - Evening Prayer

11am - Funeral Mass for Wayne Campbell

Prayer focus: For all religious

Wednesday 13th March

Wednesday of Week 4 in Lent (P)

9:45 - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

1:30pm - Funeral Service of Simone Gomez

5pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: For Charity

Thursday 14th March

Thursday of Week 4 in Lent (P)

[Offices said privately]

7pm - Thursday Fun and Fellowship (TFF)

Prayer focus: New Christians

Friday 15th March

Friday of Week 4 in Lent (P)

9:45 - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

Prayer focus: Struggling Mothers and Fathers

Saturday 16th March

Saturday of Week 4 in Lent (P)

[Offices said privately]

Prayer focus: Priests & Bishops of the Society

Sunday 17th March

5TH Sunday of Lent (P)

Laetare Sunday - Mothering Sunday

10am - Parish Mass

Divine Office Psalter Week 1, Year B(II)