

ST. ANSELM

Proclaiming Christ in Hayes

The Assumption

of The Blessed Virgin Mary

This Sunday is a very special day indeed. We celebrate the solemnity (a feast day of the highest rank) of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - the day on which she was bodily taken up into heaven.

In the eastern church this feast is celebrated as the 'Dormition of the Theotokos' - the 'falling asleep of the mother of God' - which I think is a beautiful way to describe it.

In the western church we teach that Mary was taken fully up into Heaven and that her body was not corrupted by death.

"Having completed the course of her earthly life, [she] was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory"

This teaching is connected with our understanding of Mary as the second Eve. This running parallel to the teaching of Jesus as the second Adam.

This is the final part of the four-fold teaching on Mary that we hold.

1 - Mary was the Mother of God (Theotokos).

2 - Mary had an immaculate conception.

3 - Mary had perpetual virginity.

4 - Mary was assumed into Heaven.

These 'dogmas' (teachings revealed to the Church by God) form the basis of our veneration of Our Lady.

We set Mary aside as special because only she can fully comprehend what a relationship with



Jesus as fully man, and fully God entails. Through her example we can find a way to deepen and further our own relationship with God.

Mary is special because she takes us to her Son in all things. Ask Her for support when your faith is feeling thin.

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Please let Fr. Matthew know of illness or other need as soon as possible. He is available on the above number 24/7.

Prayer focus

How can you deepen your relationship with Jesus?

Ask Our Lady for help in discovering more about Jesus in your life.

Worship focus

This Sunday is a Solemnity and a Holy Day of Obligation - please make a special effort to come to church - and to bring a friend!

This Sunday

Sunday 15th August

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary ●

10am - Parish Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer, Benediction

Divine Office Psalter Week 4, Year B(I)

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Notices

It's a very special solemnity today (Sunday) so do invite a friend and make sure you stay for refreshments after the service to celebrate.

Please note that Morning Prayer & Mass on Tuesday is at the earlier time of 8:45/9am to enable Fr. Matthew to take a funeral that morning.

The new dates for the Rosary Mission are the 10th October to the 24th October. There's lots of planning for two weeks of invitation and love for the whole parish. If you've got an idea of how we can make people welcome do let me know. We'll have a BBQ, some singing, crafts for children on the Saturday and lots more besides. If you'd like to be involved please shout!

Years Mind

15th August - Helen Dunn, Robert Twigg, Precious Ramsey,

17th August - Clifford Newick, Edward Geake

18th August - Doreen Holland

20th August - Dulcie Robertson, Winifred Evelyn Smith,

Idris Viola Clarke, Joyce Edith Henrietta Brennan

21st August - Marion Polley

and for Rita Allwood.

Pray This Week For

Yolande DeGale, Sr. Angela, Helen Holman, Beryl Higgs, Norma Piggott, Rene Holman, June Bougton, Verity Thompson, Daniel Sibley, Wayne Campbell, Ivor, Maxine & Megan, Gary Saville, Anthony & Greta, David Millard, Caroline, Rita Allwoods family & friends.

This week at St. Anselm

Monday 16th August

Feria ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: The dead

Tuesday 17th August

Feria ●

8:45am - Morning Prayer | 9am - Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: The sick

Wednesday 18th August

Feria ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

12pm-2pm - Foodbank

6pm - Evening Prayer & Rosary

Prayer focus: Our online family

Thursday 19th August

Feria ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: Persecuted Christians

Friday 20th August

St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

Prayer focus: All mothers

Saturday 21st August

St. Pius X, Pope ●

[Offices said privately]

Prayer focus: +Jonathan and all parishes of The Society

Sunday 22nd August

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time ●

10am - Parish Mass

Divine Office Psalter Week 1, Year B(I)

Confession is available on Tuesday evenings after Evening Prayer or by appointment. Please contact Fr. Matthew for details.