

Teams for :	10/8	17/8	24/8	31/8	7/9	14/9
Children lit.	none	none	none	none	TBC	TBC
Coffee 9am (11)	10	11	1	2	3	4
Coffee 11am (9)	5	6	7	8	9	1
Flowers	Sr Rose	Sr Rose	Anita	Anita		

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND. We include those in hospitals, nursing homes and their own homes. Mary Lynch, K Cashman, Jean McIntosh, Gerry Wright, Fred Thornley.

ROSARY: Daily 25 minutes before Mass starts.
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Every Tuesday at 2.00pm in Church.
BAPTISMS/WEDDINGS: Please contact the Parish Office through email or phone.
CONFESSIONS: <i>Saturday Bicester: 10.30am-11.30am</i> <i>Hethe: 3.15pm-3.50 pm (Sacristy)</i>
URSULINE LAY ASSOCIATION: Every 2nd Wednesday of the month @ 2pm Ursuline Convent.
EAST TIMOR COMMUNITY PRAYER: First Sunday of the month at 5.00pm. Various locations.
PARISH OUTREACH GROUP: Contact the Office if you need some form of practical help.
PIETY SHOP: Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday around Masses.

ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN Joy and celebration for the Archdiocese as St John Henry Newman to be declared a Doctor of the Church Oratorian, Cardinal, Scholar, Teacher, Pastor, Prophet, Saint - now Doctor. The Archdiocese of Birmingham is rejoicing following the news St John Henry Newman will be declared a Doctor of the Church. Pope Leo made the official announcement – Conferral of the Title of Doctor of the Church on Thursday 31 July, during an audience with His Most Reverend Eminence Cardinal Marcello Semeraro, Prefect of the Dicastery for the Causes of Saints. The title of Doctor of the Church is given to Saints who have made a significant contribution to theology or doctrine through their research, study or writing.The process for St John Henry Newman to be made a Doctor of the Church has taken several years. congratulations to the Provosts and Fathers of the Birmingham and Oxford Oratories alongside all the Oratorians in England and Wales.

MARRIAGES Please pray for all couples preparing to marry in the coming weeks. We pray that God will bless your marriage and guide you in your new journey together. May the One who brought you together bless your marriage, enrich your lives and deepen your love throughout the years. Congratulations!

HOLY TRINITY, HETHE Coffee Morning this Monday, 11th August at St Philip's Hall from 10am, everyone welcome.

JULY 100 CLUB WINNERS £100 c McArdle –88, £50 J Nelson – 8, £25 E King - 70. If you would like to subscribe to the 100 club please contact the office, there are a few numbers still available.

REFUGEE SUPPORT GROUP: URGENT NEEDS A laptop to help with job applications and English language improvement. Also, a large dry storage space , garage or similar, to help the Afghan families being forced to move out of their accommodation as the three year period for 'resettlement' is up. Please contact the parish office if you can help.

COFFEE MORNING Thank you to all who attended the coffee morning last weekend, £215.62 was raised. Next one is on Friday 5th September at 10am.

PREPARING FOR THE SEASON OF CREATION. The Season of Creation is from 1st September to 4th October: please see the website: Seasonofcreation.org for details. The theme is “Peace with Justice”.

LIVE SIMPLY AND SUSTAINABLY: For simple and sustainable school holiday activities, consider nature-based adventures like visiting local parks, observing nature around your home, or having a garden campout. Get creative with crafts using recycled materials. Explore free local resources like libraries and museums or get involved in community events such as the monthly ‘Town Tidy’.

RIDE & STRIDE The annual Ride +Stride for Churches will be held Saturday, September 13. Holy Trinity will be represented and needs participants, sponsors and volunteers. If interested, contact Tom Hueg for information (tom.hueg@verizon.net).

OUR WHATS APP FAMILY IS GROWING.
JOIN US ON THE WHATS APP COMMUNITY CATHOLIC BICESTER GROUP FOR TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH PARISH INFORMATION & NEWS. THERE ARE ALSO SEPARATE GROUPS FOR CHURCH GROUPS CREATED WITHIN THE APP. SCAN THE QR CODE AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS.
NEW GROUPS JUST ADDED FOR RECONCILIATION /1ST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2025-26.



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2025-2026 ENROLMENT SESSION
The Enrolment Session for children wishing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation will be held on **Monday, 22nd September 2025** in the St John Paul II Centre. Please bring along a copy of your child’s baptism certificate if your child does not attend St Mary’s School to the Enrolment session. Please do not send any details to the parish office. Sacramental Coordinator Clare St John: psc.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk
Join our Reconciliation/1stHC and Confirmation Groups on our Catholic Bicester What’s App Group for up to date news.
RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Are you a non–Catholic who has been accompanying your family to church and feel drawn to join this community of faith? Or perhaps you are a Baptised Catholic but not received the Sacrament of Confirmation? This course is for anyone who wishes to explore the faith as adults with a view to becoming a Baptised and Confirmed member of the Catholic church next Easter. The course will run from Oct/Nov 2025 — April 2026. Please email your interest to the parish office.
MARCH FOR LIFE UK LONDON SATURDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2025
For more information go to MARCHFORLIFE.CO.UK

DIARY DATES:
Coffee Mornings Every first Friday of the month from 10-11.45am.
Beetle Drive with Fish 'n Chip Dinner: Family fun Saturday 20th September after 6pm Mass. Details on this event coming out soon!
Saturday 21st February 2026 Diocesan Intercultural Mass and Social.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CANDLE MONEY Please place money into wall collection box at the back of church near the piety shop. Alternatively pay by card ‘Sanctuary lamps & votives.’

SECOND COLLECTIONS

10th/24th/31st August: Parish Maintenance
16/17th August: Missionaries of St Paul Appeal

PARISH GIVING

BICESTER LINK TO DONATE:
<https://portal.mydona.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=528>
Standing Orders/Donations/Payments/100 Club
Bicester: Sort Code: 51 70 15 Acc. No: 02342731
Hethe: Sort Code: 51 70 15 Acc. No: 02301466
Mass intentions offerings: By cash in offering envelopes from the back of church or option ‘mass offerings’ on card machine, please enter surname when prompted.

CONTACTLESS You can also donate by scanning the QR code with your phone or by card at the machine in the church porch. If you pay tax, please consider Gift Aiding your donation. Each time you make a subsequent donation using the same card, Gift Aid will be collected automatically. Gift Aid it!! You could add 25% to the value of your donation. Contact Sr Sani the Parish Gift Aid Co-ordinator. For details email: ga.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

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This church live streams Mass and other events.
Parish YouTube ‘Bicester Catholic Church’ Channel
Go to the website or follow this link
<https://camstreamer.com/redirect/SfORcspHizNr8niFC4ls5oJQBgc37B8YBCjKvPc>
Follow the readings at Mass: <https://universalis.com/mass.htm>
A CCTV System operates 24 hours a day. This is in place for the safety of people, protection of property and crime prevention.



Month of August is dedicated to The Immaculate Heart of Mary - Sunday Cycle C - Psalter Week 3
Holy Father’s Prayer Intention: **For mutual coexistence:** Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult may not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

DATE	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTERS	WELCOMERS
SAT 9th	4.00pm Hethe	Jill & Breff Kelly - Wedding Anniversary	<i>Feast of St Teresa</i> <i>Benedicta of the Cross, V M, Patron of Europe</i>	Volunteer		
Vigil Mass	6.00pm	Agnieszka Nowak (RIP) & all deceased family members		D Orleans	B Santiago	S & M Doherty
SUN 10th	9.00am 11.00am 1.00pm	People of the Parish Ints of Matt & Bekah -Wedding Congratulations Baptism—Alexander Janusz Sinicki	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	C Moyse F Nyonyoozi	A Hall/ A Mutton J Marshall/ Sr Sani	C St John/volunteer Franta Family
MON 11th	9.30 @ Hethe 1.00pm	In Thanksgiving - Sue Wilde Nuptial Mass Lewis Townsend & Olivia Hattam	<i>Mem of St Clare, V</i>			
TUE 12th	9.30am	Phil Corcoran (recovery)	<i>Mem of St Jane</i> <i>Frances de Chantal</i>	L Cleeve		
WED 13th	2.00pm	No Mass Ursuline Association — Convent	<i>Feria in Ordinary time</i>			
THU 14th	9.30am	Crisostomo Ramos (RIP)	<i>Mem of St Maximilian</i> <i>Mary Kolbe, P, M</i>	J Kokore		
FRI 15th	9.30am 2.00pm Hethe 7.00pm	Anna Kustra (RIP) People of the Parish In thanksgiving - Kokore Family	<i>Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	E King Srs Rose & Molly		
SAT 16th	10.00am 10.30am-11.30am 4.00pm Hethe 6.00pm	Eileen Parker (RIP) Exposition, Benediction & Confessions Holy Souls Agnus Forsyth (Snr) (RIP)	<i>Feria in Ordinary time</i>	D Orleans P & P Kallay	M Kelly	McArdle Family
SUN 17th	9.00am 11.00am 1.00pm	People of the Parish Patrick Cracroft–Brennan (sick) Baptism — Ethan Richard James Marshall	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time	S & L Taylor U Edwards	J Li/ J Hartley J & M Franta	Volunteers Rowena Elgado & Friends

Tea & coffee in the centre after the 9am and 11am Masses will continue during the summer every weekend - come along for a chat and meet your fellow parishioners.

This week we pray for...

SANCTUARY LIGHT: Eileen Parker (RIP)
OUR LADY’S CHAPEL: Sruthi, Nithin & Noah

If you wish to sponsor one of the sanctuary lamps which perpetually burn in the Church, please complete and return a slip to the parish office or sisters.

Safeguarding: Both our Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding. Guidance & the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parishes Safeguarding Representatives are:
Elizabeth Green: sg.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk &
Les Cleeve: sg.holytrinity.hethe@rcaob.org.uk
Diocesan Safeguarding Team 0121 2306240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

And **Holy Trinity** @ Hardwick Rd, HETHE OX27 8AW

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Parish website: <https://www.immaculate-conception.org.uk>

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Deanery: <https://banburyandwarwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk>

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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10th August 2025



Holy Trinity Hethe

Church	First Collection	Second Collection	Standing Orders	Mass Attendance
Bicester	£880.33	£215.14	£1122	506
Hethe	£56.70		£185	25

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Rev Mr Michael Panejko MA 01869 246 459

Altar Servers: dce.michael.panejko@rcaob.org.uk

Rev Mr Nick St John: 01869 246 787 /**Parish Youth:** yth.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

Retired Priest: Rev. Fr. Pat Armstrong

Parish Sisters: Ursuline Convent - Sr Rose Mathew - 01869 327 689

Parish Office/Secretary: Lucia Hattam Wednesday & Friday 9am–4pm

01869 253277 / tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

St John Paul II Centre Bookings: Srs Sani & Molly Monday-Friday 10am-4pm

01869 324 307 / office@johnpaulcentre.co.uk

Gift Aid - Sr Sani Vijayan ga.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

Parish Sacramental Programme - Clare St John psc.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

Go to contacts page on website for parish group contacts.

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon: Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you

First readingWisdom 18:6-9

‘By the same means by which you punished our enemies you called us to yourself and glorified us.’

That night of our liberation was made known beforehand to our fathers, so that they might rejoice in sure knowledge of the oaths in which they trusted. The deliverance of the righteous and the destruction of their enemies were expected by your people. For by the same means by which you punished our enemies you called us to yourself and glorified us. For in secret the holy children of good people offered sacrifices and with one accord agreed to the divine law, that the saints would share alike the same things, both blessings and dangers; and already they were singing the praises of the fathers.

The word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm *Blessed the people the LORD has chosen as his heritage*

Second readingHebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

‘He was looking forward to the city whose designer and builder is God.’

Brothers and Sisters: Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains f sand by the seashore.

These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, of whom it was said, ‘Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.’ He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back

The word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Gospel AcclamationAlleluia, alleluia.

Stay awake and be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Alleluia.

GospelLuke 12:32-48

‘You also must be ready.’

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with money bags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. ‘Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service, and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.’ Peter said, ‘Lord, are you telling this parable for us or for all?’ And the Lord said, ‘Who then is the faithful and wise manager, whom his master will set over his household, to give them their portion of food at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will set him over all his possessions. But if that servant says to himself, “My master is delayed in coming”, and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and get drunk, the master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he does not know, and will cut him in pieces and put him with the unfaithful. And that servant who knew his master’s will but did not get ready or act according to his will, will receive a severe beating. But the one who did not know, and did what deserved a beating, will receive a light beating. Everyone to whom much was given, of him much will be required, and from him to whom they entrusted much, they will demand the more.’

The Gospel of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God.

ORDER OF MASS

Priest: In the name of the Father
People: **Amen**
Priest: The Lord be with you.
People **And with your spirit.**
Penitential Act

Everyone: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Gloria

Priest/Choir: Glory to God in the highest,
Everyone: and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

After the first and second readings

Reader: The Word of the Lord
People: **Thanks be to God**
Gospel acclamation
Reader: Alleluia... (a few words)
People: Alleluia.

Before the Gospel reading

Priest/Deacon: The Lord be with you.
People: **And with your spirit.**
Priest/Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to...
People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the Gospel reading

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

The Nicene Creed

Everyone: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (*all bow*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Bidding Prayers

All: Hear our Prayer *or* Lord, graciously hear us.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

Priest: The Lord be with you. **People:** **And with your spirit.**
Priest: Lift up your hearts. **People:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** **It is right and just.**

Everyone: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Memorial Acclamation

Priest: **The mystery of faith.**

People: ONE OF THESE:

- AWe proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.
- BWhen we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.
- CSave us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Doxology

Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

People: **Amen**
Priest: At the Saviour’s command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say: **Our Father....**
Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every
People: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

Sign of Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
People: **And with your spirit.**
Priest/Deacon: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.
To each other: **Peace be with you**

Lamb of God

People: **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (2)**
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.
Priest: Behold the Lamb of God,

People: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

Concluding Rites

Priest: The Lord be with you.
People: **And with your spirit**
Priest: May almighty God.....
All: **Amen**
Priest/Deacon: Go forth the Mass is ended.
All: **Thanks be to God.**