

Teams for :	10/5	17/5	24/5	31/5	7/6	14/6
Children Liturgy	3	1	none	none	none	2
Coffee gam (11)	4	5	6	7	8	9
Coffee 11am (9)	9	2	3	4	5	6
Flowers	Adelia	Jan & Sally	Anita	Anita	Anne &	Kirsten

### 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, Sonya Drury.

**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:** Saturday Bicester: 10.30am-11.30am Hethe: 3.15pm-3.50 pm (Sacristy)

**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.

**UKRAINIAN LITURGY** Ukrainian Divine Liturgy occasional Sundays. Announced in bulletin.

**PIETY SHOP:** Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday around Masses.

**SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD** On Thursday we celebrate the Ascension of The Lord, which is celebrated 40 days after Easter, and commemorates Jesus Christ bodily ascending into heaven in the presence of his apostles, marking the completion of his earthly mission and his exaltation at the right hand of the Father. Three masses will be held on this solemnity, 9.30am and 7.00pm at the Immaculate Conception and at 2pm at St Mary's School, to which parishioners are warmly invited to.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** All the children of the parish and St Mary's School will receive their First Holy Communion during Mass that will be held next weekend on Saturday, 16th May at 11am. Please do keep the children in your daily prayers.

**SYMPATHY** Pray for the repose of Timothy Joyce (Tim), aged 78yrs. Timothy will be received into church on Monday 18th May at 4pm and a Requiem Mass will be held on Tuesday, 19th May at 9.30am followed by burial at Botley Cemetery. *May he rest in peace.*

**AFRICAN MASS OF THANKSGIVING** This will take place on Saturday, 13th June at 11am, followed by African style buffet and BBQ. If you would like to get involved in any way to help please go to our African Mass Group on the What's App chat, alternatively speak to Jackie Kokore.

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE** A pilgrimage to Fatima will take place from Friday, 7th August — Tuesday, 11th August 2026. Price: £695 sharing, £795 single room. Flights from Bristol airport. Optional insurance £55 pp. Please email the office if you are interested. Forms and itinerary details are available from the back of church, alternatively email the parish office.

**PARISH 100 CLUB APRIL WINNERS** £100 G Andrade - 25, £50 A Kearsley — 25, £25 M Jobling - 31. Please collect your winnings from Sr Sani.

The 100 Club is our main annual fundraiser, its not too late to join. The monthly prizes are £100, £50, £25 and a Christmas bonus prize of £100, for only a £5 monthly subscription by Standing Order.

Bank details can be found under Financial Information. Alternatively one off payments can be paid by BACS or via the card machine, to cover the rest of the year, under option '100 club' and please add your surname as reference when making any payments as it enables us to allocate it correctly. Application forms are available at the back of church if you wish to join or subscribe to more numbers. Current available numbers: 23, 41, 50,81,82,83, 84,89. **You have to be in it to win it!**

**PIETY SHOP** A selection of First Holy Communion items are now on sale, along with a range of piety gifts and cards for all occasions. All items reasonable priced and profits go toward our church. Payments by card accepted. If anyone is in need of Holy Communion dresses please leave your name and email/number in the shop. We may be able to help.

**PILGRIMAGE - HEARTLAND OF ENGLAND AND MEET 'THE SAINTS AND KINGS WHO MADE US CHRISTIAN'** MON 7 – SAT 12 SEPTEMBER 2026.

St Teresa's Charlbury and Holy Trinity, Chipping Norton are now united as one parish of the Assumption and are celebrating this new parish with a pilgrimage to which parishioners from other local parishes are invited to. To reserve your place or for further information, please email Suze Mathews:suzemathews899@btinternet.com **Limited places so early booking recommended.**

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.



**PRAYER FOR PEACE** Pope Leo has asked for Prayer for Peace. Please consider praying this intention, before Mass, and in your own homes, with friends, family and individually. Let us offer the Rosary for an end to wars and conflicts, and the effects it is having on the countries involved and for nations to gather together and bring peace.



**COFFEE MORNING** The Coffee Morning last Friday raised £195.90 for parish funds. We thank the organiser for their commitment in organising this event every month. The next one will be held on Friday, 3rd June from 10am. Please do come along for some homemade cakes and cuppa!

**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION** This will take place on Sunday, 7th June after the 11am Mass. The procession route will be towards St Mary's School and conclude with Benediction. First Holy Communion children are invited to join the procession wearing their 1st Holy Communion outfits.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS** All Extraordinary Ministers are invited to be recommissioned on Sunday, 7th June at the 11am Mass. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion play an important role in parish life, by helping the parish community through distributing the Eucharist. While this may often be during the Mass, the role may also include taking Holy Communion to people in the wider parish community who are housebound due to health, age or disability. If you are interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister, please speak to Fr Craig or contact the office.

### DIARY DATES 2026:

**Parish Pastoral Meeting** Monday 1st June at 7pm.  
**Corpus Christi Procession** Sunday 7th June (to St Mary's)  
**Coffee Morning** Friday 12th June & 3rd July at 10am  
**Parish Finance Meeting** Monday 15th June at 7pm.  
**Art & Craft Market** Saturday 20th June & 4th July from 11am-2pm.  
**Angel Drive** Friday 9th October with fish and chip supper.  
**ZAPP Retro Games Day** Saturday 14th November.  
**Christmas Bazaar** Sunday 29th November.

### 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.'

### PARISH GIVING

#### SECOND COLLECTIONS

For May: 10th Poor Parishes, 17th Catholic Comms

#### 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

Account Name: The RC Archdiocese of B'ham Parish of the Immaculate Conception Bicester Oxon.

**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.

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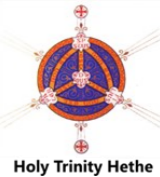
This church live streams Mass and other events. Parish YouTube 'Bicester Catholic Church' Channel Go to the website or follow this link

<https://camstreamer.com/redirect/xmTDv4jBRjMTROM5VBVyN34wpRY1nK34jSHqcgHR>

Follow the readings at Mass: <https://universalis.com/mass.htm>  
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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays II - 10TH May 2026 - Psalter Week 2

The month of May is dedicated to The Blessed Virgin Mary

Pope's Prayer Intention for May - That everyone might have food. Let us pray that everyone from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoiding food waste, and to ensuring that everyone has access to quality food.



DATE	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTERS	WELCOMERS
SAT 9th	4.00pm HT 6.00pm	Holy Souls People of the Parish	Easter Feria	Volunteer R Rianti	Sr Molly/Sr Rose	S & M Doherty
SUN 10th	9.00am 11.00am 1.00pm	Anita Magleo (RIP) Luisa Guterres & Isabel Pereira de Jesus (RIP) Baptism - Eva Sofia O'Brien-Iliev	Sixth Sunday of Easter	M Brown/ J Li H King/ A Kearsley	A Hall/ Sr Sani Volunteers	Brown Family Kokore Family
MON 11th	9.30am HT 12 noon IC	Holy Souls Fladimir R Antonio de Jesus Freits (RIP)	Easter Feria	Volunteer A Fitzpatrick		
TUE 12th	9.30am 2.00pm IC	Peter Marrs (RIP) Divine Mercy Chaplet	Easter Feria	L Cleeve		
WED 13th	2.00pm	No Mass Ursuline Association Meeting	Memorial of Our Lady of Fatima			
THU 14th	9.30am 2.00pm Sch 7.00pm	Miguel Da Costa Oliveira & Juga Frans Sousa Gama (RIP) People of the Parish Ints of Bishop William Kenney (80th B'day)	Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord	J Kokore B Hardingham/R Rianti		
FRI 15th	12 noon	Cris Ramos (RIP)	Easter Feria	E King		
SAT 16th	11.00am 4.00pm HT 6.00pm	First Holy Communion Mass Holy Souls Eileen Burton (RIP) 25th Ann.	Easter Feria	Volunteer P Sims/Sr Sani	O Panejko/ B Santiago	M Marrs/ P Behan
SUN 17th	9.00am 11.00am 1.00pm	People of the Parish Jose Magleo (RIP) Baptism - Ricardo Leonard Mathew	Seventh Sunday of Easter World Communications Day	H Gerrow/ S McCarthy R Evans/ J Hurst	J Li/ C Hartley J & M Franta	Sr Molly/ C Cleeve Franta Family

**Tea & Coffee in the JP II Centre after the 9am and 11am Masses every weekend & once a month on a Friday throughout the year (not in Aug).**  
 Come along for a chat and meet your fellow parishioners!  
 Donations can now be made by card—option 'Coffee Mornings'  
 We use Fairtrade / Rainforest Alliance Tea and Coffee!

**This week we pray for...**  
**SANCTUARY LIGHT: Jose Magleo (RIP)**  
**OUR LADY'S CHAPEL: In Thanksgiving**  
 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.

Church	First Collection	Second Collection	Standing Orders	Mass Attendance
Bicester	£609.38	£236.16	£1122	522
Hethe	£72.15		£165	46

**Parish Priest: Father Craig Davies BA (hons) STB** fr.craig.davies@rcaob.org.uk  
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**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](mailto: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](mailto: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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# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Entrance Antiphon:** Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

**First reading**

**Acts 8:5-8, 14-17**

**‘They laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.’**

In those days: Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed to them the Christ. And the crowds with one accord paid attention to what was being said by Philip, when they heard him and saw the signs that he did. For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came out of many who had them, and many who were paralysed or lame were healed. So there was much joy in that city.

Now when the Apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for he had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

**The word of the Lord**

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Responsorial Psalm** *Cry out with joy to God, all the earth*

**Second reading**

**1 Peter 3:15-18**

**‘Being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.’**

**Beloved:** In your hearts honour Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defence to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behaviour in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God’s will, than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.

**The word of the Lord**

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia.

**If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, says the Lord,  
and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.  
Alleluia.**

**Gospel**

**John 14:15-21**

**‘I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper.’**

**At that time:** Jesus said to his disciples, ‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you for ever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

‘I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.’

**The Gospel of the Lord**

**All: Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ**

## 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** *(Not used during Advent & Lent)*

**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:** **Glory and praise to you O Christ** .....(a few words)

**People:** **Glory and praise to you O Christ**

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:

**A** We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.

**B** When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
until you come again.

**C** Save 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.**