

Teams for :	12/4	19/4	26/4	3/5	10/5	17/5
Children Liturgy	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc	tbc
Coffee gam (11)	11	1	2	3	4	5
Coffee 11am (9)	6	7	8	1	9	2
Flowers	water	Sr Rose	Sr Rose	Portia &	Adelia	Jan & Sally

### 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 2nd Sunday of the month at 6.30pm.

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

**BAPTISM COURSE** The course will take place on Monday, 20th March at 7pm at the St JP II Centre. If you plan to attend, please contact the office. Baptism take place on Sundays at 1pm. If you are interested in becoming a Baptismal Catechist, please also contact the office or speak to Fr Craig.

**SUSTAINABLE FLORISTRY** Please join us and let others know, who may be interested in joining us for a facilitated discussion on issues surrounding floral sustainability led by Sustainable Church Flowers. This will take place at the St John Paul II Centre on Saturday, 18th April from 11.00am - 1:00pm. This is a free event, however, please register your attendance using the QR code on the poster at the back of church or on website/What's App.

**LIVESIMPLY MULTI-CULTURAL RECIPE BOOK** The parish environmental group are inviting everyone to share their family recipes for inclusion in our LiveSimply recipe book. Please send your recipes (with a photo if possible) by 30th April to [peg.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:peg.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk)

**LENTEN ALMSGIVING COLLECTION** Our parish raised an amazing total of £1202.26 that will go to St Ormond St Hospital. God bless you for your generosity.

**EASTER RAFFLE** Thank you to everyone who bought and sold on tickets, and also to everyone who donated prizes. The winners are displayed on the notice board, please collect your prizes from Sr Molly at the JP II Centre asap. A total of £639 was raised for parish funds.

**BOOKLETS** Please kindly return any booklets/ hymn books that have been taken during Holy Week.

**MASSES** Please note that there will be no weekday Masses in week commencing Monday, 13th April.

**100 CLUB** The 100 Club is our main annual fundraiser. The monthly prizes are £100, £50, £25 and a Christmas bonus prize of £100, for only a £5 monthly subscription by Standing Order. For those subscribers who pay yearly, this is a polite reminder to please pay your subscription for the forthcoming year April 26 - March 27 so that your payment reaches us by the end of April. This (£60) can be paid by BACS or via the card machine, 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: 41, 81, 82, 83, 84, 89, 96.

**100 CLUB MARCH WINNERS** £100 S McArdle-98, £50 G Andrade-25, £25 P Owens-36. Please collect your winnings from Sr Sani.

**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.

**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 on Saturday, 16th May at 11am. Please do keep the children in your daily prayers.

**EASTER LILIES** Our church is beautifully decorated with flowers from which £212.50 was raised through Easter Lilies in Remembrance.

**URSULINE ASSOCIATION** The next meeting will be on Wednesday, 28th April at 2pm with special visitors Mother General, Sr Vandana and Vice General, Sr Nirupa, at the Ursuline Convent, Kings End.

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.



**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** In a series of revelations to St Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. Today, we know that feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by Pope St John Paul II at the canonization of St Faustina on April 30, 2000. Divine mercy leaflets are available with the bulletin this weekend. Please join us for the Divine Mercy Sunday Chaplet at Holy Trinity, Hethe this weekend, at 3pm.

**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.

## Cheese & Wine Evening with

### John Nelson Tunes

Saturday 25th April at 7.30pm.

Join us for live entertainment & Cheese & Wine buffet. Raffle too! Tickets £15 pp available from committee members.



### DIARY DATES 2026:

**Coffee Morning** Friday 1st May at 10am.

**Art & Craft Market** Saturday 9th May from 11am-2pm.

**First Holy Communions** Saturday 16th May.

**Parish Pastoral Meeting** Monday 1st June at 7pm.

**Parish Finance Meeting** Monday 15th June at 7pm.

**Corpus Christi Procession** Sunday 7th June (to St Mary's)

**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 APRIL

12th & 19th Parish Maintenance, 26th Clergy Training Fund.

#### 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: For RCA Birmingham Immaculate Conception Bicester Reg Charity

**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.

**HETHE**

**BICESTER**



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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/>

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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.



# The Catholic Parish of St Edmund Campion Immaculate Conception @ BICESTER



Holy Trinity Hethe

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays II - 12th April 2026 - Psalter Week 2

The month of April is dedicated to the Blessed Sacrament

Pope's Prayer Intention - Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.



DATE	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTERS	WELCOMERS
SAT 11th	4.00pm 6.00pm	People of the Parish Mark MacKenzie (RIP)	<i>Easter Saturday, Solemnity</i>	R Ranti/ H King	M Kelly/ B Santiago	M Marrs/ P Behan
SUN 12th	9.00am 11.00am 3.00pm HT	Ints of Robert Dipple & Marie Richardson Dennis & Pamela Hambridge (RIP) Divine Mercy Chaplet	<i>Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday</i>	L Taylor/ S Taylor R Evans/ N Ward	A & R Parati G Andrade/ U Edwards	L & C Cleeve Franta Family
MON 13th	9.30am HT 12 noon IC	No Masses	<i>Easter Feria</i>			
TUE 14th	9.30am	No Mass	<i>Easter Feria</i>			
WED 15th		No Mass	<i>Easter Feria</i>			
THU 16h	9.30am	No Mass	<i>Easter Feria</i>			
FRI 17th	12 noon	No Mass	<i>Easter Feria</i>			
SAT 18th	10.00am 10.30-11.30am 4.00pm HT 6.00pm	Crisostomo Ramos (RIP) Exposition, Benediction & Confessions People of the Parish Jose Magleo (RIP)	<i>Easter Feria</i>	Volunteer  P Sims/ Sr Sani	Sr Molly/ Sr Rose	A Mutton/volunteer
SUN 19th	9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rory O'Rourke (RIP) Krystyna Lewandowska (RIP) 60th Anni. Ukrainian Divine Liturgy	<i>Third Sunday of Easter</i>	M Daniel/ L Cleeve S Joseph/ E Green	C St John/ C Drew J & M Franta	C West/ D Munoz Timorean Community



### Second collections this weekend:

#### Hethe - Holy Places

#### Bicester - Parish Maintenance

Church	First Collection	Second Collection	Standing Orders	Mass Attendance	Easter food Blessing	Holy Places
Bicester	Easter Offerings for		£1122	967	£277.58	£507.27
Hethe	Parish Priest		£165	42		

Parish Priest: Father Craig Davies BA (hons) STB [fr.craig.davies@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:fr.craig.davies@rcaob.org.uk)

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Rev Mr Michael Panejko MA 01869 246 459

**Altar Servers:** [dce.michael.panejko@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:dce.michael.panejko@rcaob.org.uk)

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

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**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](mailto:ga.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk)

**Parish Sacramental Programme - Clare St John** [psc.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:psc.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk)

Go to contacts page on website for parish group contacts.

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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 Jan or Aug).

Come along for a chat and meet your fellow parishioners!



### This week we pray for...

**SANCTUARY LIGHT:** Gary D. T. Gan (RIP)

**OUR LADY'S CHAPEL:** Nithin, Sruthi & 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](mailto:sg.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk) &  
**Les Cleeve:** [sg.holytrinity.hethe@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.holytrinity.hethe@rcaob.org.uk)  
**Diocesan Safeguarding Team** 0121 2306240 or [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns.

# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Entrance Antiphon Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

First reading

Acts 2:42-47

‘All who believed were together and had all things in common.’

The believers devoted themselves to the Apostles’ teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the Apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the Temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they shared their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm *Give praise to the LORD, for he is good, his mercy endures for ever.*

Second reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

‘He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.’

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith — more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire — may be found to result in praise and glory and honour at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia.

You believed, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord.

Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.

Alleluia.

Gospel

John 20:19-31

Eight days later, Jesus came.

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.’ And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.’

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, ‘We have seen the Lord’. But he said to them, ‘Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.’

Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, ‘Peace be with you.’ Then he said to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.’ Thomas answered him, ‘My Lord and my God!’ Jesus said to him, ‘Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.’

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

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.**