

Teams for :	12/7	19/7	26/7	2/8	9/8	16/8	23/8
Children Liturgy	2	none	none	none	none	none	none
Coffee gam (11)	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Coffee 11am (9)	1	2	3	5	4	6	7
Flowers	P & A	J & S	J & S	Anita	Anita	Jo	Jo

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

We include those in hospitals, nursing homes and their own homes:

Mary Lynch, Jean McIntosh, Gerry Wright, Sonya Drury.

ROSARY: Daily 25 minutes before Mass starts.
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Every Tuesday at 2.00pm in Church with prayer intentions.
BAPTISMS/WEDDINGS: Please contact the Parish Office through email or phone.
CONFESSIONS: <i>Saturday Bicester: 10.30am-11.30am Hethe: 3.30pm-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.
UKRAINIAN LITURGY Ukrainian Divine Liturgy occasional Sundays. Announced in bulletin.
PIETY SHOP: Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday around Masses.

SEA SUNDAY The second collection this weekend, July 12, will be for Sea Sunday. Led by the maritime charity Stella Maris (formerly the Apostleship of the Sea). The 2026 theme is "Harbours of Hope: The Church Alongside Seafarers." The campaign raises awareness and funds to protect maritime workers facing conflict risks, abandonment, and exploitation. The official Sea Sunday campaign highlights the critical importance of protecting over 1.8 million seafarers worldwide who navigate dangerous and isolating waters. Chaplains and volunteers from the charity board ships to provide critical services such as emergency aid, Wi-Fi connectivity to call families, mental health support, and advocacy against labour exploitation. For more information visit www.stellamaris.org.uk Gift Aid envelopes are available from the welcomers. To donate directly: text SEA to 70460.

SYMPATHY We send our condolences and assurance of our prayers to Jean on the death of her sister Sheila Clarke who died suddenly at home during the week. *May she rest in peace.*

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.

LECTORS NEEDED More readers at Mass are needed especially for the 6pm Mass. If you are interested and would like to have a go please speak to Fr Craig or email the office.

SANCTUARY LAMPS If you wish to sponsor a sanctuary lamp which perpetually burn in the church please complete a form and deliver to the parish office via clergy/sisters. This can be for deceased family and friends, a loved one, or for a particular intention. The proceeds go towards the costs of the Sacristy. The lamps burn for one week. Cost £10.

MISSIO/APF Please can all mission box holders return the content of their red boxes to the parish office. Empty boxes can be found a the back of church. Thank you for your continued support for the missions.

DONATIONS NEEDED The coffee group are in need of any new/unused gifts that can be sold or used a the coffee mornings. They would also be very grateful for any donations of chocolate, wine, toiletry sets etc. Please deliver to the centre clearly marked Coffee Morning. Do you bake? Could you bake a cake for the next coffee morning? If so please send a message on What's app or email to let us know. Next CM is on Friday, 4th September as the team are having a well deserved break in August.

WEBELIEVE FESTIVAL IS BACK FOR 2026! An unmissable opportunity to discover the traditions and charisms that flow through the Church, to grow in authentic community, and to encounter the transforming love of God. Join *WeBelieve* from **Friday 24 - Monday 27 July** at the historic and beautiful setting of St Mary's College, Oscott for a feast of the True, the Good and the Beautiful. Tickets are now on sale: There's a 33% discount on day tickets using the code 'BIRMINGHAM-DISCOUNT' at checkout.

<https://www.oscott.org/>

MASS OFFERINGS Masses are currently available from the end of July and can be booked up until the end of the year. Please complete a Mass Offering envelope for all offerings, and state on envelope if the offering has been made by card. Thank you.

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.



THE 100 CLUB JUNE WINNERS Hilary King £100 - 42, Les Cleeve £50- 7, Jan Hartley £25- 67. Please collect your winning from Sr Sani. The following numbers are still available: 50, 51, 66, 78, 81, 82, 83, 92, for only a £5 monthly direct debit subscription, forms available at the back of church. ***You have to be in it to win it!***

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED We will be organising a few days of garden-ing on the church grounds in the next few weeks. If you are willing to help please speak to Fr Craig or contact Lucia at the parish office.

PARISH OFFICE Please note that the parish office will be closed from the 17th –24th July, next open on Wednesday 29th at 9am.

CHILDRENS LITURGY The last Children’s Liturgy meeting will be this weekend at 9am as the team takes a break for the summer. Many thanks to all the volunteers who help with leading the liturgy group.

SACRAMENTAL ENROLMENT SESSION This will take place on Monday, 21st September at 7pm in the St John Paul II Centre for any children wishing to prepare for their First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

CONGRATULATIONS To Father Craig who celebrates his 13th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination this coming Tuesday, 14th July. May God continue to guide and strengthen him in his vocation. Please keep Father Craig in your prayers.

DIARY DATES 2026:

Coffee Mornings Fridays 4th September, 2nd October at 10am.

Banbury & Warwick Deanery Pastoral Forum: To be rearranged.

Angel Drive Friday 9th October with fish and chip supper.

JPII GAMING EVENT Saturday 14th November 11am-4pm.

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 July: 12th Apostleship of the Sea.

19th/26thJuly Parish Maintenance.

Ways in which you can support your parish:

Consider whether you can increase your donation to the parish.

Switch to giving by way of standing order or direct debit. *This ensures that the parish receives a more regular income.*

If you are a UK taxpayer, complete a **gift aid** declaration, which in-creases your donation by 25% at no extra cost to you. **Include** a bequest to the parish in your will.

BICESTER LINK TO DONATE:

<https://portal.myдона.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=528>

Contact the Parish Office for account details to set up the following: Weekly offerings/Donations/Payments/100 Club etc
Mass intentions offerings: Complete an offering envelope which can be found at the back of church whether you pay by cash or card.
If paying by card use option ‘mass offerings’ & enter surname when prompted. Deliver envelope to Clergy/Sisters or Parish Office. Thank you.

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. Thank you!

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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/](https://camstreamer.com/redirect/xmTDv4jBRjMTROM5VBVnN34wpRY1nK34jSHqcqhr)

[xmTDv4jBRjMTROM5VBVnN34wpRY1nK34jSHqcqhr](https://camstreamer.com/redirect/xmTDv4jBRjMTROM5VBVnN34wpRY1nK34jSHqcqhr)

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

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

Henley House, 12 Causeway, Bicester, OX26 6AW

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



Holy Trinity Hethe

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays II - 12th July 2026 - Psalter Week 3

The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus

Pope’s Prayer Intention for July - for the respect of Human life. Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising that it is a gift from God.



DATE	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTERS	WELCOMERS
SAT 11th	4.00pm HT 6.00pm	People of the Parish Angela Nelson (RIP)	<i>Feast of St Benedict, A, Patron of Europe</i>	Volunteer R Rianti	O Panejko/ B Santiago	J Kokore /Volunteer
SUN 12th	9.00am 11.00am 1.00pm	Josephine Short (RIP) Charlotte Thysson (RIP) Baptism—Arthur James McFall	15th Sunday in Ordinary time Sea Sunday	S McCarthy/Sr Molly J Franta/A Kearsley	J Li/ J Hartley J Marshall/ Sr Sani	C West/ volunteer Kokore family/ volunteer
MON 13th	9.30 HT 12 noon IC	Dr Stanley (RIP) Ints of Fr Aldo Tapparo - Golden Jubilee	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	A Fitzpatrick		
TUE 14th	9.30am 2.00pm IC	Pat & Jim Smith (RIP) Divine Mercy Chaplet	<i>Mem of St Camillus de Lellis, P</i>	L Cleeve		
WED 15th		No Mass	<i>Mem of St Bonaventure, B, Dr</i>			
THU 16th	9.30am	Michael & Teresa St John (RIP)	<i>Mem of Our Lady of Mount Carmel</i>	H King		
FRI 17th	12 noon	William & Nellie Lawlor (RIP)	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	E King		
SAT 18th	10.00am 10.30am-11.30am 4.00pm HT 6.00pm	Carol Hall (RIP) Exposition, Benediction & Confessions Nicholas Charles Coombs (RIP) People of the Parish	<i>Mem of Our Lady</i>	Volunteer P Sims/Sr Sani	M Kelly/ Sr Rose	McArdle Family
SUN 19th	9.00am 11.00am 1.00pm	James Gilmore (RIP) In Thanksgiving— Castillo Family Baptism—Ellen Darlene McBride	16th Sunday in Ordinary time	L & S Taylor H King/ N Ward	Volunteers Sister/ J Josh	L & C Cleeve Franta Family



STELLA MARIS

On Sea Sunday this weekend, we remember and pray for seafarers and all who work at sea.



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’



This week we pray for...

SANCTUARY LIGHT: Kitty Davies (Get well)

OUR LADY’S CHAPEL: Faye & Francis Leung

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	Parish Maintenance	Standing Orders	Mass Attendance	Coffee Morning
Bicester	£688.12	£282.08	£1122	415	£211.90
Hethe	£50		£165	41	£17

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

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.

Archdiocese of Birmingham: “Our Vision is to be a Catholic Diocese which is faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ, full of missionary disciples who work together co-responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour”.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory

First reading Isaiah 55:10-11

‘The rain makes the earth bring forth and sprout.’

Thus says the Lord:
‘For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven
and do not return there but water the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.’

The word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: *Some seed fell into good soil and yielded its fruit.*

Second reading Romans 8:18-23

‘The creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God.’

Brothers and Sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption, and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.

The word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia.
The seed is the word of God, Christ the sower;
all who find him will live for ever.
Alleluia.

Gospel Matthew 13:1-23

‘A sower went out to sow.’

At that time: Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: ‘A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. He who has ears, let him hear.’

Then the disciples came and said to him, ‘Why do you speak to them in parables?’ And he answered them, ‘To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given. For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. Indeed, in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled that says: “You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive.” For this people’s heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them. But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear. For truly, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.

‘Hear then the parable of the sower: When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.’

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.