

Teams for :	12/4	19/4	26/4	3/5	10/5	17/5
Children Liturgy	none	1	2	none	3	1
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 &

### 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.

**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. Baptisms 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.

**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)

**SUSTAINABLE FLORISTRY** Unfortunately this event organised by the Archdiocese to have been held on 1th April, was cancelled due to lack of interest. It will be rearranged for some time in the future.

**LENTEN ALMSGIVING COLLECTION** Our parish raised an amazing total of £1202.26 that will go to St Ormond St Hospital, with an additional amount of £14.41 from Hethe last week. 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, some prizes still to be collected, please collect them 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.

**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.

**URSULINE ASSOCIATION** The next meeting will be on Tuesday, (not Wednesday on this occasion) 28th April at 2pm ,with special visitors Mother General, Sr Vandana and Vice General, Sr Nirupa, at the Ursuline Convent, Kings End.

**DIVINE MERCY** A Divine Mercy Chaplet is recited every Tuesday at 2pm in church - all welcome.

**SYMPATHY** Pray for the repose of Anne Baker daughter of Alice and Ellis Meagher (deceased) who has sadly passed away. May she 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.

**OScott COLLEGE From Sinai to Rome: Jewish Identity in the Catholic Church, Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April.** An evening of celebration with presentations by Dr. Angela Costley, Prof. Gavin D'Costa and Prof. Lawrence Feingold Introduction by Bishop Timothy Menezes and a drinks reception to follow A free event – full details can be found here: <https://stmaryscollegeoscottcio.churchsuite.com/events/nogs58ukm>

**THE SECOND COLLECTION** next weekend, on April 26th will go towards the Clergy Training Fund.

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.



## Cheese & Wine Evening with

### John Nelson Tunes

Saturday 25th April at 7.30pm.

Join us for live entertainment & Cheese & Wine buffet.

Raffle too! Add your name/s to the list at the back of church & pay on the card machine option 'Cheese & Wine' Tickets £15 p.p.



**PARISH 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. Bank details can be found under financial Information below. 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.

*You have to be in it to win it!*

#### 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

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/xmTDv4jBRjMTROM5VBVyN34wpRY1nK34jSHqcgHR>

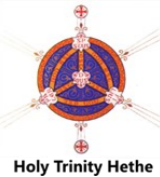
Follow the readings at Mass: <https://universalis.com/mass.htm>

A CCTV System operates 24 hours a day. This is in place for the safety of people,

protection of property and crime prevention.

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# Immaculate Conception @ BICESTER



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## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays II - 19th April 2026 - Psalter Week 3

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 18th	4.00pm HT 6.00pm	People of the Parish Jose Magleo (RIP)	Easter Feria	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	Third Sunday of Easter	M Daniel/ L Cleeve S Joseph/ E Green	C St John/ C Drew J & M Franta	C West/ D Munoz Timorean Community
MON 20th	9.30am HT 12 noon IC 7.00pm JP II	Holy Souls Ints of Jane, Guy, Susan & Dale Baptism Course	Easter Feria	Volunteer M Daniel		
TUE 21st	9.30am 2.00pm IC	In Thanksgiving - Castillo Family Divine Mercy Chaplet	Easter Feria	L Cleeve		
WED 22nd		No Mass	Easter Feria			
THU 23rd	9.30am	Val Clarke (RIP)	Solemnity of St George, M Patron of England	J Kokore		
FRI 24th	10.00am IC	School Mass in church Cipriano Verdial (RIP)	Easter Feria	Children		
SAT 25th	10.00am 10.30-11.30am 4.00pm HT 6.00pm 7.30pm JP II	Crisostomo Ramos (RIP) Exposition, Benediction & Confessions People of the Parish Elena Goraiainoff (RIP) Cheese & Wine Evening	Feast of St Mark, Evangelist	Volunteer  Volunteer K & P Kallay	O Panejko/ B Santiago	McArdle Family
SUN 26th	9.00am 11.00am 1.00pm	Yeremias Djony Yusuf (RIP) Ints of Elizabeth, David & Family Baptism - Eva Marie & Ona Lucille Young	Fourth Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations	L & R Weaver F Nyonyoozi	M & A Brown J & J Kokore	L & C Cleeve R Elgado & Friends



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!

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: John & Ria R Salisbury**  
**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.

Church	First Collection	Second Collection	Standing Orders	Mass Attendance	Coffee Morning	Holy Places
Bicester	£583.27	£256.16	£1122	440	£170.60	
Hethe	£42.62		£165			£16

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

**Parish Deacons:**

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**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

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**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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# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Entrance Antiphon: Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

First reading

Acts 2:14, 22-33

‘It was not possible for him to be held by death.’

On the day of Pentecost Peter, standing with the Eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed the crowd: ‘Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst — as you yourselves know — this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.

‘For David says concerning him, “I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.”

‘Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this which you yourselves are seeing and hearing.’

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm *O Lord, you will show me the path of life*

Second reading

1 Peter 1:17-21

‘You were ransomed with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish.’

Beloved: If you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one’s deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia.

Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;  
make our hearts burn within us when you speak to us.  
Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

He was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

On the first day of the week, two of the disciples of Jesus were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognising him. And he said to them, ‘What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?’ And they stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, ‘Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?’ And he said to them, ‘What things?’ And they said to him, ‘Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see.’ And he said to them, ‘O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?’ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going further, but they urged him strongly, saying, ‘Stay with us, for it is towards evening and the day is now far spent.’ So he went in to stay with them. When he was at table with them, he took the bread, and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognised him. And he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, ‘Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?’ And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the Eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, ‘The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!’ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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.**