

Teams for	1/9	8/9	15/9	22/9	29/9	6/10
Children lit. (4)	none	1	2	none	3	4
Coffee 9am (11)	4	5	6	7	8	9
Coffee 11am (9)5	8	9	1	2	3	4
Flowers						

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Mary Lynch, K Cashman, Tim Charles, Jean McIntosh, Lucia Ostrowska.

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: Hethe: **Saturday from 3.15pm - 3.50 pm (in the Sacristy)** Bicester: 5.15 pm - 5.45pm
EAST TIMOR COMMUNITY PRAYER: First Sunday of the month at 5.00pm @ Ursuline Convent
HOLY HOUR: Every First Friday from 6.00pm to 7.00pm (Not during Lent)
PARISH OUTREACH GROUP: Please contact the Office if you need some form of practical help -252 277.
PIETY SHOP: Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday around Masses.
URSULINE LAY ASSOCIATES MEETING: 2nd Wednesday of every month at 2pm @ Ursuline Convent.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY Children's Liturgy will again take place every Sunday at the 9:00am Mass from next weekend, Sunday, 8th September. The children will be invited to go to the St John Paul II Centre for their liturgy. All children are welcome to come along.

THE ANNUAL OXFORDSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST RIDE & STRIDE will take place from 10.00am to 4.00pm on Saturday, 14 September. 50% of all funds raised by parishioners will be paid to the Parish. Enjoy a healthy day of exercise as a cyclist, walker or as a visitor welcome and help preserve the history on our doorstep by raising funds for the OHCT and our own Church. For further information or to receive a sponsorship form, please contact Tim Lane on 01869 277523 or at tim.lane@live.co.uk

COFFEE MORNING The next Coffee Morning will be held on Friday, September 6th from 10am. Cakes & coffee, all welcome!

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY This very popular event will take place on Sunday, 22nd September. Mass will be celebrated at 11am, followed by a bring and share International Buffet in the St John Paul II Centre. Please add your names to the list if you are able to contribute food to share.
SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2024-25 Dates for meetings, lessons and celebrations (Confirmation Mass date yet to be arranged) are now available on our website and are on display on the church notice board. The Enrolment Session will take place on Monday, 23rd September at 7pm at the St John Paul II Centre. Forms are available online and from the back of church. Please return them to the enrolment session in September and **not** the office. Thank you.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 2024 will run from the 9th of September - 22nd of September. It's 30 years since Fairtrade products first hit the shelves. Go to <https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/what-is-fairtrade/> to find out how YOU can 'Be the Change' by choosing Fairtrade every time.

BAPTISM COURSE The next and last course of 2024 will take place on Saturday, 5th October at 10am in the St John Paul II Centre. Please contact the office to register your attendance if you are thinking of arranging a baptism for your child between this October-April 2025.

INDUCTIONS Details for Fr Craig's Induction Mass here will be announced in due course. Canon John will be inducted as Parish Priest of St George's, Worcester on Thursday, 17th October at 7pm. A coach has been arranged, so please add your name/s to the list at the back of church if you would like to attend. Cost £15 pp, this can be paid on the card machine, option 'Worcester'.

HARVEST LUNCH & PUTTING will be held on Sunday, 20th October at 12.30pm in the St John Paul II Centre. Vegetarian options available. Tickets £10 pp from Jackie Flynn. Come and support this parish fundraiser!

COFFEE AFTER MASSES continue to be served weekly in the St John Paul II Centre after the 9am & 11am Sunday Masses. Everyone is very welcome, it is a great opportunity to get to know fellow parishioners!
100 CLUB AUGUST WINNERS £100 J Lynch - 75 , £50 M Jobling - 31, £25 E Green - 63. Please see Sr Sani for your winnings and thank you for supporting this parish fundraiser.

PARISH ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP TIP OF THE WEEK Research and promote the use of renewables in your home.

ROSARY

The recitation of the Rosary begins 20 mins before Saturday evening Mass. Please do come along early and join in this special act of devotion. We are currently looking for more volunteers to recite the rosary, if you would be interested please speak to Sr Rose.



ARCHBISHOP BERNARD'S CALL TO CELEBRATE THE SEASON OF CREATION September 1st to October 4th. Archbishop Bernard has released a video ahead of the Season of Creation to encourage you to take up the opportunity which the Holy Father has given us to celebrate the Season. He says: "As you may know this is something growing year by year as we become more and more aware of our calling as Christians to have a care for the whole of the Created world... "Pope Francis is asking us to think about how we care for the whole of Creation as an expression of our own Christian Faith and is referring us to St Paul's letter to the Romans, which speaks about the whole of Creation groaning, but also looking for the freedom which Christ brings us as children of God... "Hope and Act with Creation is the theme for this year, and I hope you'll be able to pray that we and others will value all that we have in creation as a way of praising god and also caring for those who are most in need." You can find the full celebration guide as well as other prayers and resources on the Diocesan website. <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk>



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September is the Month of Our Lady of Sorrows

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Cycle B - Weekdays - Year II

Weekend beginning 1st - 8th September 2024 - Psalter Week 2

Pope's Prayer Intention for September: For the cry of the earth. We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.



Dates to remember

Date to be confirmed: Aid to the Church in Need Appeal Sunday, 22nd Sept: International Mass at 11 am followed by Shared Lunch
 Saturday, 5th October: Filipino Day of Prayer from 3.30 pm
 Sunday, 20th October: Harvest Lunch in St John Paul II Centre
 Monday, 4th November: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting TBC
 Tuesday, 5th November: Parish Finance Council meeting. TBC
 Sunday, 24th November: Christmas Bazar after 9am and 11 am Masses
 Sunday, 22nd December: Christmas Raffle Draw after 11 am Mass

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

SECOND COLLECTIONS

1st September : Parish Maintenance

8th September: Catholic Education

15th September : Catholic Evangelisation

22nd September: Father Hudson's Society

PARISH GIVING

BICESTER LINK TO DONATE:

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

Standing Orders/Donations/Payments

Bicester: Sort Code: 51 70 15 Acc. No: 02342731

Hethe: Sort Code: 51 70 15 Acc. No: 02301466

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.

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Church	First Collection	Second Collection	Standing Orders	Card (Dona) & Web	Mass Attendance
Bicester	£451.69	£203.43	£1157	£310	410
Hethe	£75.30		£185	—	39



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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/SfORcspHjzNr8niFC4ls5oJQBgc37B8YBCjKvPc>

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



This week we pray for...

SANCTUARY LIGHT:

OUR LADY'S LIGHT:

SANCTUARY LAMPS 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.

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".

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:
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 Les Cleeve: sg.holytrinity.hethe@rcaob.org.uk
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TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance antiphon: **Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.**

First Reading *"Add nothing to what I command you, keep the commandments of the Lord "* Deuteronomy 4: 1-8

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

The word of the Lord
All : Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

The just will live in the presence of the Lord. (3 V)

Second Reading *" You must do what the word tells you"* James 1:17-27

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created.

Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves. Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

The word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Gospel acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. **Alleluia!**

Gospel *"You put aside the commandment of God, to cling to human traditions"* Mark 7:1-23

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture: This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOLY 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:** 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 to God**

Gospel acclamation
Reader Praise you Lord Jesus Christ.....

... (a few words)
People **Praise to you Lord Jesus 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.**

Creed - 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, 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 ac-

Bidding Prayers

All: Hear our Prayer

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 & announce the Gospel of the Lord