

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. EDMUND CAMPION

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Date: Sunday 22nd November 2026

Sunday: SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING
YEAR A

Weekday Cycle: Year II
Divine Office: Week 2

Date:	Time:	Intentions:	Readers:
Saturday 21st November Presentation of the BVM (1st Masses of Sunday)	4:00pm HT 6:00pm	Henryk Mazur (RIP) Carmen Teng (RIP)	Volunteer R Rianti/ N Li
Sunday 22nd November Solemnity of Christ the King	9:00am 11:00am	Ron & Thelma Brown (RIP) Jean Ann Lawrence (RIP)	L & R Weaver F Nyonyoozi/ C Tett
Monday 23rd November Feria in Ordinary Time	9:30am HT 12 noon IC	Holy Souls Louisa Hook (RIP)	 A Fitzpatrick
Tuesday 24th November Mem of St Andrew Dung-Lac, P & comp. M	9:30am 2:00pm 7.00pm	People of the Parish Divine Mercy chaplet *Wreath Making Evening @ JPII*	N Li
Wednesday 25th November Feria in Ordinary Time	9:30am	Malia Kobelova (RIP)	H King
Thursday 26th November Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30am	Anita Magleo (RIP)	J Kokore
Friday 27th November Feria in Ordinary Time	NO MASS		
Saturday 28th November Mem of Our Lady (1st Masses of Sunday)	4:00pm HT 6:00pm	Holy Souls Deceased Catenian Brothers (RIP)	Volunteer P Sims/ Sr Rose
Sunday 29th November First Sunday of Advent	9:00am 10.00am-2.00pm 11:00am	Leslie & Joy Butler (RIP) *Christmas Bazaar* Elizabeth Kathleen Wheeler (RIP)	A Kirby Hall/ P Cousins U Edwards/ R Evans

Parish Live Stream

All of the services at Bicester are live-streamed on our Parish YouTube 'Bicester Catholic Church' Channel. This can be accessed via the Parish website or by visiting:
https://camstreamer.com/redirect/xmTDv4jBRjMTOM5VBVyN34wpRY1nK34jSHqcqhR
Follow the Mass Readings at:
https://universalis.com/mass.html

We have a CCTV System that operates 24hrs a day. This is in place for the safety of all who attend this church, the protection of property and crime prevention.

An Induction Loop System is provided at the Church of the Immaculate Conception. Please switch Hearing Aids to 'T'.

Church	First Collection	Parish Maintenance	Standing Orders	Mass Attendance
BICESTER	£639.55	£227.13	£1122	446
HETHE	£70.00		£165	25

TEA & COFFEE MORNING

Tea & Coffee is available in the JP II Centre every Sunday after the 9am & 11am Masses. We also have our monthly Coffee Morning, on a Friday, throughout the year, from 10-11:45am.

Come along for a chat and meet other members of the parish community!

Use this QR Code to join our Parish WhatsApp Group where you can keep up with news and information from the parish. Here you will also find other group pages for the different church groups created within the app. Simply scan the QR Code and follow the instructions.

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING YEAR A

Entrance Antiphon: How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

First reading **Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17**

'As for you, my flock, I judge between sheep and sheep.'

Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats.

Responsorial Psalm ***The LORD is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.***

Second reading **1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28**

'Christ delivers the kingdom to God the Father, that God may be all in all.'

Brothers and Sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

The word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation **Alleluia, alleluia.**
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!
Alleluia.

Gospel **Matthew 25 : 31-46**

'He will sit on his glorious throne and he will separate people one from another.'

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on his right, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me." Then the righteous will answer him, saying, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?" And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you did it to me."

'Then he will say to those on his left, "Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, saying, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?" Then he will answer them, saying, "Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

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

Second Collection
Catholic Youth Service

The Catholic Youth Service collection is an annual second collection taken in parishes around World Youth Sunday (the Solemnity of Christ the King) to fund youth ministry across the diocese. Funds raised go to the Kenelm Youth Trust (KYT)—which includes the Birmingham Catholic Youth Service (BCYS)—to support young people's faith formation and retreats. The Collection Supports: Residential Retreat Centres: Running faith and outdoor retreats at Alton Castle and Soli in North Staffordshire. Parish Youth Ministry (BCYS): Training, resourcing, and supporting parish youth leaders and local youth groups across the archdiocese. School Chaplaincy & Events: Supporting lay chaplains and school missions, alongside diocesan youth events and pilgrimages. Thank you in advance for your donations.

Safeguarding

A small talk will be given by our Safeguarding representatives, Elizabeth Green and Les Cleeve at all Masses this weekend.

ZAPP

Thank you to Peter O'Flynn and his team along with the Social Committee members for organising this event, and to everyone who came along. The amount raised will be published soon.

Red Boxes - Missio/APF

If you have a red box sitting on a shelf at home please bring in its contents before Christmas so that we can bank before the year end. Thank you!

Aid To The Church In Need

We are now collecting old and used postage stamps, foreign coins and banknotes. These can be placed into the basket at the back of church or delivered to the piety shop. These will be sent in to Aid to the Church in Need (ACN), who can turn these donations into valuable funds to support their work helping persecuted Christians.

Parish Patronal Feast of St Edmund Campion

Tuesday 1st December
Mass will be celebrated at 7.00pm followed by a Cheese and Wine Social in the JPII Centre.
Everyone is welcome to come along to celebrate our first Patronal Feast of St Edmund Campion!

Advent School Masses

Advent Masses will also be held on Fridays 4th, 11th & 18th December at 8am. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Dates for your Diary 2026

Parish Patronal Feast of St Edmund Campion
Tuesday 1st December: Mass at 7.00pm followed by Social in the JPII Centre

Parish Monthly Coffee Morning:
Friday 4th December at 10am

Filipino Prayer Day:
Saturday 5th December from 1.30pm

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception:
Tuesday 8th December: Mass at 7.00pm

Christmas Market: Sunday 13th December 10am-4pm at the JPII Centre.

Sponne School Carol Concert: Sunday 13th December from 6pm in church.



Pray for the Sick and the Housebound:

Let us pray for the sick in our parish, those at home, in hospital, and in Nursing Homes: **Mary Lynch, Jean McIntosh.** Please pray also for those who carry the burden of their illnesses privately.

November – Month of the Holy Souls:

The Church dedicates November to praying for the Holy Souls. As the celebration of Mass is the highest offering the Church can provide for the dead, we invite you to submit the names of your deceased parents, relations, friends, and all for whom you wish to pray. These names will be remembered in Masses for Holy Souls. Please use the Holy Souls envelopes provided and post them, together with your offerings, into the casket near the sanctuary during the month of November.

Blessing of Graves
St Mary's Ambrosden –29th November time TBC

Christmas Bazaar

Our Christmas Bazaar will take place on the first weekend of Advent, Sunday 29th November after the 9am Mass. The Social Committee would be very grateful for donations to support this important parish fundraiser. Donations can be brought along on the designated weekends to church or the JPII.

This weekend: 21st/22nd November - New gifts for Tombola
28th/29th November - Cakes for Cake Stall and Mince Pies and Chocolate Logs for Café

Please support this wonderful parish event if you can. Your generosity and support are very much appreciated and will help to make the bazaar a success. Thank you!

Christmas Food Sacks

Christmas food sacks will be available on Wednesday, 16th December for any families who may be struggling during these challenging economic times. If you or your family would benefit from a little extra support this Christmas, please contact the parish office to reserve a parcel. Please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Christmas Raffle

Christmas raffle tickets are now available. £10 a book. The draw will take place on Sunday 20th December after the 11am mass. Please deliver all stubbs and money by 13th December. Card payments/cash accepted. Donations of raffle prizes gratefully received! Please deliver to the piety shop or JPII Centre. Thank you.

This week the Sanctuary Candles burn for:



Sanctuary Lamp: Mária Kobelová (RIP)
Our Lady's Chapel: Ints of Ria Rianti

If you wish to sponsor one of the lamps which burn perpetually in the church, please complete and return the slip to the Parish Office/Sisters.
Lamps cost £10 each and burn for one week.

Advent Walk with me Booklets & Calendars

These are now available from the back of church - any donations towards them greatly received. Please place into donations wall money box – thank you.

Safeguarding Notice:

This Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and National and Archdiocesan policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are: **Mrs Elizabeth Green**, who can be contacted at sg.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk and: **Mr Les Cleeve**, who can be contacted at ht.sg.holytrinity.hethe@rcaob.org.uk
The Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk or on 0121 230 6240 if you have any safeguarding concerns.

Pope's Prayer Intention for November:

For the proper use of wealth: Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

Parish Information Board:

Piety Shop:
Open Friday, Saturday & Sunday around Mass times
Rosary:
Daily 25 mins before the start of Mass
Divine Mercy Chaplet:
Every Tuesday at 2pm in Church
Confession:
Bicester: Saturday 10:30am – 11:30am
Hethe: Saturday 3:30pm – 3:50pm
Ursuline Lay Association:
Every 2nd Wednesday at 2pm in the Convent.
East Timor Community Prayer:
First Sunday of the month at 5pm (Various Locations)
Journey in Faith (RCIA):
First Meeting - Monday 30th November at 7pm

Financial Information

Please place all candle money into the wall safe marked 'CANDLES' at the back of the church near the Piety Shop. Alternatively, you can pay on the card machine under 'Sanctuary Lamps & Votives'.

Second Collections for November:

22nd Catholic Youth Service
29th Parish Maintenance

Parish Giving:

Link to Donate Online:
https://portal.mydona.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=528

Mass Intention Offerings:

Please use the 'Mass Intention Envelopes' provided. You can either make your donation by placing cash in the envelope or, by using the card machine under 'Mass Offerings' NB, when using the card machine you must also put the intention in the 'message box' so that your donation and the envelope can be matched together. Please also write 'paid by card or machine' on the envelope. Envelopes should then be delivered to the sacristy.

Contactless Giving:

You can also donate by scanning the QR Code with your phone or by using the card machine in the church porch. If you are a UK taxpayer, please consider Gift Aiding your donation. Each time you make a subsequent donation using the same card Gift Aid will be added automatically.

Gift Aid Your Offering

If you are a UK Taxpayer, and you give by Standing Order, please consider Gift Aiding your weekly offerings. 25% in every £1 could be added to the value of your donation at no cost to you! Please contact Sr. Sani, the Parish Gift Aid Co-ordinator.

Parish Duties this Weekend: 21st/22nd November		
6pm Mass	Welcomers:	B & L Hattam
	E. O. Ministers:	O Panejko & B Santiago
9.00am Mass	Welcomers:	L & C Cleeve
	E. O. Ministers:	C Hartley & J Li
	Children's Liturgy:	Team 2
	Tea/Coffee:	Team 10
11am Mass	Welcomers:	R Elgado & friends
	E. O. Ministers:	J Marshall & Sister
	Children's Liturgy:	No Children's Liturgy
	Tea/Coffee:	Team 2
Duties During the Week For Sunday: 29th November		
Cleaners:	Team 5	
Flowers:	Wreath – Krisha	
Parish Duties Next Weekend: 28th/29th November		
6pm Mass	Welcomers:	M Marrs & P Behan
	E. O. Ministers:	S & M Doherty
9.00am Mass	Welcomers:	A Mutton & Sister
	E. O. Ministers:	J Josh & C St John
	Children's Liturgy:	No Children's Liturgy
	Tea/Coffee:	Team 11
11.00am Mass	Welcomers:	R Evans & J Kokore
	E. O. Ministers:	G Andrade & J Kokore
	Children's Liturgy:	No Children's Liturgy
	Tea/Coffee:	Team 3