Teams for	5/5	12/5	19/5	26/5	2/6	9/6	16/6
Children lit. (4)	none	2	3	none	none	4	1
Coffee 9am (11)	9	10	11	1	2	3	4
Coffee 11am (9) <del>5</del>	7	8	9	1	2	3	4
Flowers	Anne	Jo	Sally	Sally	Kesia	Kesia	Sandy

**LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**: Mary Lynch, Victor Francis, K Cashman, Tim Charles & Jean McIntosh.

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.

**OUR LADY'S CHAPEL AT MASS TIMES** Due to health and safety reasons we now use the area of Our Lady's Chapel for burning charcoal for incense at mass times. We therefore request that no small children/toddlers are seated or in the vicinity of this area during masses. As always our aim is to keep all our visitors safe at all times. We are grateful for your cooperation with this matter.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS: These will take place on Saturday, 11th May at 11 am for children who attend St Mary's School and on Saturday, 18th May at 11 am for all other children who attend non Catholic schools. Let us keep them in our prayers.

PIETY SHOP: 1st Holy Communion items, CTS booklets and greetings cards. Come and have a browse!

**SYMPATHY** Please pray for the repose of the soul of William Gain, aged 91 yrs. William will be received into church on Wednesday, 22nd May at 4pm, and a Funeral Mass will be held on Thursday, 23rd May at 10am followed by burial in Putney Vale Cemetery later that day.

**CAKE SALE** A Cake Sale will be held after masses on Sunday, 19th May. Please support this fundraiser.

100 CLUB WINNERS FOR APRIL £100 Richard Evans - 97, £50 Eileen Penhallow - 16, £25 Shirley Jacob - 30. Thank you to everyone who is continuing to support this fundraiser. If you would like to join from this month please complete a form (which can be found at the back of church and set up a standing order for £5 to be paid before the last Sunday of the month) and return to the Parish Office to let us know. There is no limit as to how many numbers you can have, more numbers increase your chances of winning.

MISSIO/APF (RED BOXES) With Jim Bridle's passing we are looking for a volunteer to help with Missio box collections. For more information please speak to or email Lucia at the Parish Office. The Immaculate Conception raised £1083.99 in 2023. Thank you for your generosity.

MASS REQUESTS: We are currently very short of Mass intentions, so please continue to request. Mass envelopes are available from the back of the Church/ Piety Shop or Parish Office. If you require a specific date for Mass to be celebrated, please send in your request and stipend as early as possible as the date requested may already be booked. Please leave Mass envelopes with welcomers, Sisters, or in the Piety Shop or give it to me before or after Mass if not leave it in the sacristy, not in the collection.

PARISH OPEN MEETING: On Saturday, 22nd June from 10 am in St John Paul II Centre. All parishioners are invited to come along and participate in our discussions, how we can continue to build our parish and how you can get involved in the life of the parish Mission. We are blessed with so many young families and young people. The demands of modern life, shift work, temporary status or reluctance to get involved, all has its affect on building our parish. Nearly all who are involved in volunteering are not getting younger. Is it fine as it is? We need to have a sense of responsibility in running/building faith community in our parish. We have so many new parishioners who come to Church to worship regularly and I welcome you and at the same time invite you to become active members and share your talents and blessings.

200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST SERMON OF ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN PREACHED AT OVER WORTON CHURCH ON JUNE 23RD 1824 Sunday 23rd June At Holy Trinity, Over Worton 3pm - Talk on Newman's ministry of preaching by Mgr Rod Strange. 4pm - Afternoon Tea. 5pm Evening Prayer with some of Newman's hymns, led by Bishop Gavin Collins, Preacher The Most Revd Bernard Longley, Archbishop of Birmingham. The church is small and we need to set a limit of 100 people for the event, so please could you email fr.david.hartley@rcaob.org.uk if you are interested in attending. Limited places only.



THE CHOSEN SEASON 3 TO continue on Thursday at 7pm in St John Paul II Centre. May 16th and 23rd.

## YEAR OF PRAYER 2024

Theme - "WE DARE TO SAY" Five sessions on "Our Father" on the following Thursday evenings in St John Paul II Centre at 7pm.



June 6th "Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy Name" June 13th "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven"

June 27th "Give us this Day our Daily Bread" July 4th "Forgive us our Trespasses, as we Forgive those who Trespass against us.."

July 11th "Doxology: "For the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory are Yours now and forever."

**DAILY MEDITATIONS**: Pray As you Go: Please use the following link: https://pray-as-you-go.org/

### Dates to remember

Saturday 11th May - First Holy Communions (St Mary's) at 11am Saturday 18th May - First Holy Communions (non St Mary's) at 11 am Monday 20th May - Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at 7pm Sunday 2nd June - Corpus Christi Procession after 11 am Mass Saturday 22nd June - Parish Forum Meeting 10am-12 noon Sunday 7th July - Family Festival & Presentation of Certificates (11am Mass) Sunday, 22nd September: International Mass at 11 am followed by Shared Lunch

# FINANCIAL INFORMATION



SECOND COLLECTIONS 5th May: CAFOD /SUDAN Appeal 12th May: Catholic Communications

# **PARISH GIVING**

# **BICESTER LINK TO DONATE:**

https://portal.mvdona.com/assets/webPav/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

MASS STIPENDS/OFFERINGS:

Canon John Y Batthula: Sort code: 60-08-40 Acc. No. 75459760

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

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 or speak to me. (Canon John)





Church	First Collection	Second Collection	Standing Orders	Tap & Go Donations	Mass Attendance
Bicester	£378.48	£171.14	£1157	£210	414
Hethe	£76	£ 54	£170		30



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# **Sixth Sunday of Easter**



Pope's Prayer Intention for May: We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.





MAY	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTERS	WELCOMERS
SAT 4th	4.00 pm @Hethe		6th Sunday of Easter			R Deane
Vigil Mass	6.00 pm	Thanksgiving - for all the blessings Leizel and her family have received.		B & K McFall	L & D Jiminez	M & S Doherty
SUN 5th	9.00 am	People of the Parish		L & S Taylor	C Drew	L Williams
	11.00 am	Intentions of Maricel Franta - Birthday		T Lane/ N Ward	J Marshall/ D Jiminez	Kokore Family
MON 6th	7.00 pm	Holy Souls	Easter Feria	M Daniel	Sr Rose	
TUE 7th	8.00 am	Holy Souls	Easter Feria	L Cleeve	J Kokore	
WED 8th	6.30 pm	Dominga Agner (RIP)	Easter Feria	J Kokore	Sr Sani	
THU 9th	9.30 am (Chu)	Holy Souls	HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION	School Children		
	12 Noon	Deceased members of the Rivera Padilla Family, Pemberton & O'Malley Families(RIP)	The Ascension of	E King/ L Cleeve	J Marshall/Sr Rose	
	7.00 pm	Helena Nowak (RIP)	the Lord	H King/J Kokore	Jacob Kokore/Sr Sani	
FRI 10th	12 Noon	Dom Gregory Chillman OSB (RIP)	Easter Feria	E King	J Kokore	
SAT 11th	11.00 am	FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS				
Vigil	4.00 pm @Hethe	Richard & Rachel Deane - Golden Wedding Anniversary	7th Sunday of Easter			R Deane
Mass	6.00 pm	Patrick ( Paddy ) Byrne (RIP)		R John/ Sr Sani	S & M Doherty	B & K McFall
SUN 12th	9.00 am	People of the Parish	World Communications	M Daniel/L Cleeve	J & D Jiminez	Volunteers
	11.00 am	Glen Pagett - For recovery	Day	S Joseph/R Silvy	J & M Franta	J Marshall/ Sr Sani

This weekend's second collection is to support the work of the CAFOD in **Sudan**. Give what you can. Let us pray for the people of Sudan that they would be blessed with peace and security.



This week we pray for... **SANCTUARY LIGHT: Kelly Best OUR LADY'S LIGHT: Edith Steiner** 

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# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Entrance antiphon: Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard: proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

#### First Reading " The Holy spirit has been poured out on the pagans too" Acts 10:25-26, 24-25, 44-48

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said 'I am only a man after all!' Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.' While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

The word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God

**Responsorial Psalm** 

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations (3 V)

**Second Reading** "God is love" 1 John 4:7-10

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

The word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God

**Gospel Acclamation** 

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: "If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my father will love him, and we shall come to him." ! Alleluia!

"A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends"

Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me: no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will

give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you.

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

# **EASTER SEASON**

In the name of the Father ..... **Priest:** 

People:

The Lord be with you. Priest: 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.

Glory to God in the highest, Gloria Priest:

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 The Word of the Lord Reader

People Thanks be to God Gospel acclamation

Reader Praise to 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. And with your spirit.

Priest/Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to.

Glory to you, O Lord. People:

After the Gospel reading

The Gospel of the Lord. **Priest:** 

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. People

# **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 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

# 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

The Lord be with you. Priest: People: And with your spirit. Priest: Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord. People:

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just. People

Everyone: Holv, Holv, Holv 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:

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord,

until you come again.

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection

you have set us free.

Doxology

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, **Priest:** almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all

glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

People Amen

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine **Priest:** 

teaching, we dare to say: **Our Father....** 

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every .... **Priest::** People:

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are

vours now and for ever.

Sign of Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your spirit. People

**Priest/Deacon**: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

To each other: Peace be with you

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the People:

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, .....

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter People:

under my roof, but only say the word and my

soul shall be healed.

Concluding Rites

**Priest:** The Lord be with you. And with your spirit People **Priest:** May almighty God.....

All: Amen Go & announce the Gospel of the Lord Priest/Deacon: