

Teams for :	20/7	27/7	2/8	10/8	17/8	24/8	31/8
Children lit.	4	none	none	none	none	none	None
Coffee 9am (11)	7	8	9	10	11	1	2
Coffee 11am (9)	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Flowers	Jan	Portia	Portia	Sr Rose	Anita	Kirsten & Anne	

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Mary Lynch, K Cashman, Jean McIntosh, Gerry Wright, Fred Thornley.
<p>ROSARY: Daily 25 minutes before Mass starts.</p> <p>DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Every Tuesday at 2.00pm in Church.</p> <p>BAPTISMS/WEDDINGS: Please contact the Parish Office through email or phone.</p> <p>CONFESSIONS: <i>Saturday Bicester: 10.30am-11.30am</i> <i>Hethe: 3.15pm-3.50 pm (Sacristy)</i></p> <p>URSULINE LAY ASSOCIATION: Every 2nd Wednesday of the month @ 2pm Ursuline Convent.</p> <p>EAST TIMOR COMMUNITY PRAYER: First Sunday of the month at 5.00pm. Various locations.</p> <p>PARISH OUTREACH GROUP: Contact the Office if you need some form of practical help.</p> <p>PIETY SHOP: Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday around Masses.</p>

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA—SEA SUNDAY Thank you for your generous donations. £363.18 was raised. God bless you all.

PARISH ENVIROMENTAL GROUP Ever wondered what happens to your rubbish? Find out on a trip to Ardley Waste Recovery with the Environmental Group from 10:00 - 12:30 on Tuesday, 29th July. Contact Cath on 07929749669 if you like to join us. Shared transport can be arranged.

ROAD CLOSURE Please note that the Causeway will be closed on Thursday, July 31st from 9am - 12 noon due to a service taking place at St Edburgs. Mass will be held here in the evening at 7pm.

COFFEE MORNING The next one will be held on Friday, 1st August.

PIETY SHOP For the month of July - buy one get one free offer on CTS booklets. The booklets are very informative on a wide range of subjects and reasonably priced. £1.95-£3.99.

SYMPATHY Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bernadette James who died recently. A Requiem Mass will be celebrated for Bernadette on Monday, 4th August at 12 noon followed by cremation at North Oxford Crematorium. Pray also for John Joseph Readman and keep Virginia, Carol and Mgr Paul Moss, and all the family in your prayers at this time of loss. May they rest in peace.

BAPTISMS Our next Baptism course will be held on Saturday, 20th September at 10am, (please note change of date). Please contact the parish office to register if you intend to arrange a baptism for your child/ren in the coming months. Baptism application forms are available at the back of church.

ST MARY’S SCHOOL Thank you to all the staff at St Mary’s School for their hard work as they break up for the summer holidays after a busy academic year. Please keep all the Year 6’s in your prayers as they prepare to move onto secondary schools after the holidays.

TESCO BLUE TOKENS St Mary’s School are taking part in the Tesco Stronger Starts programme to help fund a new sensory room and they would be grateful if parishioners could support them by simply popping a blue token in the box for **ST MARY’S** next time you shop at Tesco.

SPONSORING SANCTUARY LAMPS These lamps burn perpetually on the sanctuary (Blessed Sacrament) and in the Lady Chapel. Would you like one of these to burn in memory of a loved one, or for a particular intention? (Please note: one person/couple/intention per candle) If so, we are asking for a donation of £10 per week, which will go towards the costs of running the sacristy: candles, hosts, wine and other necessities for the celebration of Mass. Please hand completed slip to the Parish Clergy, Sisters or office. The intentions will be placed in order as they are received and published in the weekly bulletin. Payments by card option: Sanctuary Lamps.

BE AWARE OF FRAUDULENT EMAILS We have been made aware of an impersonated email address circulating in our parish community and would like to confirm that we always use our **rcaob** email address to communicate within Archdiocese and Parish community. Any attempt of communication from other email addresses should be considered as fraudulent and reported to your/recipient's internet service provider and also directly to the parish office for us to forward for further investigation. Parish Office email: tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

OUR WHATS APP FAMILY IS GROWING
JOIN US ON THE WHATS APP COMMUNITY CATHOLIC BICESTER GROUP FOR TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH PARISH INFORMATION & NEWS. SCAN THE QR CODE AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS.



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2025-2026 ENROLMENT SESSION

The Enrolment Session for children wishing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation will be held on **Monday, 22nd September 2025** in the St John Paul II Centre. Please bring along a copy of your child’s baptism certificate if your child *does not* attend St Mary’s School to the Enrolment session. Please *do not* send any details to the parish office. Sacramental Coordinator Clare St John: psc.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk
RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation Are you a non–Catholic who has been accompanying your family to church and feel drawn to join this community of faith? Or perhaps you are a Baptised Catholic but not received the Sacrament of Confirmation? This course is for anyone who wishes to explore the faith as adults with a view to becoming a Baptised and Confirmed member of the Catholic church next Easter. The course will run from Oct/Nov 2025 — April 2026. Please email your interest to the parish office.

MASS OFFERINGS Please note that if you are paying on the card machine for a Mass Offering then it is essential that you add the name for whom mass will be said or your name when the machine prompts you to add a message, this is ***as well as*** completing a Mass Offering envelope which needs to be handed to the Clergy/ Welcomers or office. Thank you.

DIARY DATES:

Coffee Mornings Every first Friday of the month from 10-11.45am.

Beetle Drive with Fish ‘n Chip Dinner: Family fun

Saturday 20th September after 6pm Mass. Details on this event coming out soon!



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.’

SECOND COLLECTIONS

20th & 27th July: Parish Maintenance

PARISH GIVING

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

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. For details email: ga.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

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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://universalis.com/mass.htm>

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 Parishes of 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>

Archdiocesan : <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk>

Deanery: <https://banburyandwarwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk>

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

20th July 2025

Month of July is dedicated to The Precious Blood of Jesus - Sunday Cycle C - Psalter Week 4

Holy Father’s Prayer Intention: let us pray that we learn how to discern, how to choose the right paths in life, and how to reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.



DATE	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTERS	WELCOMERS
SAT 19th Vigil Mass	4.00pm Hethe 6.00pm	People of the Parish Helen Jong (RIP)	<i>Memorial of Our Lady</i>	Sr Sani	D Jiminez	B & K McFall
SUN 20th	9.00am 11.00am 1.00pm	In thanksgiving—Castillo Family James Gilmore (RIP) Baptism — Liam Hodges	<i>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	A Mutton A Shields	M Brown J Marshall	Sr Molly/ L Cleeve R Elgado & Friends
MON 21st	9.30am	Eucharistic Service	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	M Daniel		
TUE 22nd	9.30am	Eucharistic Service	<i>Feast of Sr Mary Magdalene</i>	L Cleeve		
WED 23rd		No Mass	<i>Feast of St Bridget, R, Patron of Europe</i>			
THU 24th	9.30am	Eucharistic Service	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	J Kokore		
FRI 25th		No Mass	<i>Feast of St James, A</i>			
SAT 26th Vigil Mass	10.00am 10.30am-11.30am 4.00pm Hethe 6.00pm	Anita Magleo (RIP) Expositions, Benediction & Confessions Ints of Jan Katzer (healing & recovery) Nathan Silvy (Birthday)	<i>Memorial Of Ss Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	B & K McFall	M Kelly	S & M Doherty
SUN 27th	9.00am 11.00am 1.00pm	Doris & Arnold Bacolod (Wedding Ann.) Catenian President’s Mass - Ints of the Catenian Association Baptism — Uriella Otum	<i>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	J Li S Joseph	C Hartley M Franta	Brown Family Kokore Family

CHILDRENS LITURGY There will be no Children's Liturgy at the 9am Mass during the summer school holidays. The team wish you all a very happy and sunny summer!



Tea & coffee in the centre after the 9am and 11am Masses will continue during the summer every weekend - come along for a chat and meet your fellow parishioners.

This week we pray for...



SANCTUARY LIGHT: John Dunn (RIP)

OUR LADY’S CHAPEL: The Yick Family

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.



Holy Trinity Hethe

Church	First Collection	Second Collection AOS	Standing Orders	Mass Attendance
Bicester	£622.48	£363.18	£1122	482
Hethe		-	£185	

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.

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon: See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

First reading

Genesis 18:1-10a

‘O Lord, do not pass by your servant.’

In those days: The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth and said, ‘O Lord, if I have found favour in your sight, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on — since you have come to your servant.’ So they said, ‘Do as you have said.’ And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, ‘Quick! Three measures of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes.’ And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. Then he took curds and milk, and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, ‘Where is Sarah your wife?’ And he said, ‘She is in the tent.’ The LORD said, ‘I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son.’

The word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: *O LORD, who may abide in your tent?*

Second reading

Colossians 1:24-28

‘The mystery hidden for ages but now revealed to his saints.’

Brothers and Sisters: Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ’s afflictions for the sake of his body — that is, the Church — of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known — the mystery hidden for ages and generations, but now revealed to his saints.

To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

The word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia.
Blessed are those who hold fast to the word of God
In an honest and good heart,
and bear fruit with patience.
Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 10:38-42

‘Martha welcomed him. Mary has chosen the good portion.’

At that time: Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, ‘Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me.’ But the Lord answered her, ‘Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her.’

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

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: Alleluia... (a few words)

People: Alleluia.

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.