



The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

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The Parishes of the Immaculate Conception & Holy Trinity are part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No: 234216



Holy Trinity Hethe

Archbishop: **The Most Rev Bernard Longley**

Area Episcopal Vicar: **Very Reverend Canon Paul Fitzpatrick**

Dean of Banbury & Warwick Deanery & Parish Priest:

Very Rev. Canon John Y Batthula BA, MA, Dip. Cat., MA Ed

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays Year 1

11th to 19th February 2023 Psalter 2

Pope's Prayer Intention for February for parishes: We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity & welcome towards those most in need..

The Holy Family



| FEBRUARY | TIME | INTENTIONS | FEASTS | LECTORS | STEWARDS |
|------------------|----------------------|---|---|----------------------|------------------------|
| SAT 11th | Hethe 4.00 pm | Thanksgiving- Patricia Long (80th Birthday) | | B Kelly/ R Deane | S Wilde/R Deane |
| | 6.00 pm | People of the Parish | 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time | H Henwood/R John | L Hattam/A Mutton |
| SUN 12th | 9.00 am | Damayanathi Batthula (RIP) 35th anniversary | | P Cousins/S McCarthy | Brown Family |
| | 11.00 am | John Dunn (RIP) | | J Franta/ A Kearsley | Franta Family |
| MON 13th | 9.30am@Hethe | Melanie Mulheran (RIP) | | | |
| | 12 Noon | Macks - recovery | | M Daniel | |
| | 7.00 pm | Parish Pastoral Council | St John Paul II Centre | | |
| TUE 14th | 8.30 am | Canon Garry Byrne (RIP) | Feast of St Cyril, Monk & St Methodius B Patron of Europe | Sisters | |
| WED 15th | 9.30 am | Breda Hayes & Harte Midox (RIP) | Feria in Ordinary Time | L Cleeve | |
| | 7.30 pm | The Grow Your Faith Group | St John Paul II Centre | | |
| THUR 16th | 9.30 am | Dr Jack Coughlan (RIP) 5th anniversary | Feria in Ordinary Time | H King | |
| FRI 17th | 12 Noon | Helen & Konrad Szreschik (RIP) | Feria in Ordinary Time | E King | |
| SAT 18th | Hethe 4.00 pm | Deidre Dowse (RIP) | | B Kelly/ R Deane | S Wilde/R Deane |
| | 6.00 pm | Eleuterio Correia (RIP) 1st anniversary | 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Sr Rose/ P Sims | Thompson Family |
| SUN 19th | 9.00 am | People of the Parish | | L & S Taylor | L & C Cleeve |
| | 11.00 am | Mark Kalch - Thanksgiving | | T Lane/N Ward | J & M Franta |
| | 4.00 pm | Reception of Sean O'Neill (RIP) | | | |



SPONSORING SANCTUARY LAMPS

These lamps burn perpetually on the sanctuary (Blessed Sacrament) and in the Lady Chapel. £10 per week.

Forms available from the Welcomers table.



DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Every Tuesday at 2.00pm in Church
BAPTISMS/WEDDINGS: Please contact the Parish Office through email or phone call to make necessary arrangements.

CONFESSIONS: Hethe: **Every Saturday from 3.15pm - 3.50 pm (in the Sacristy)** Bicester: 5.15 pm - 5.45pm

HOLY HOUR: Every First Friday from 6.00pm to 7.00pm

ROSARY: Everyday 25 minutes before Mass starts.

URSULINE LAY ASSOCIATES MEETING: 2nd Wednesday of every month at 2pm @ Ursuline Convent

PIETY SHOP: Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday around Masses.

EAST TIMOR COMMUNITY PRAYER: First Sunday of the month at 5.00pm @ Ursuline Convent

PARISH OUTREACH GROUP: Please contact the Parish Office if you need some form of practical help -01869 252 277.



This week we pray for...
SANCTUARY LIGHT: Damayanthi Batthula (RIP)
OUR LADY'S LIGHT: Mr & Mrs Batthula (RIP)

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Mary Lynch, Victor Francis, K Cashman, Tim Charles, Joyce Thornley, Helena Nowak, Joy Martin, & Jean McIntosh.

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS: On Thursday 23rd March, we as a Catholic Community will mark the three fold celebrations: 80th anniversary of the establishment of the parish, 70th anniversary of Guild of St Stephen in the parish and 60th anniversary of the parish Church. To mark this occasion, our Archbishop, The Most Reverend Bernard Longley will join us and will be the principle celebrant at the Concelebrated Mass, at 7.00pm, followed by light supper in the Centre. I wish to invite all parishioners past and present and school community to join us in our jubilee celebrations.

CONFIRMATIONS: Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday 18th March during 6pm Mass. We look forward to welcome Canon Paul Fitzpatrick, our area Episcopal Vicar to our Parish. Let us keep our young people in our prayers. Confirmations items now on sale in the piety shop.

The Grow Your Faith Group had a good meeting and thank you to all who attended. We hope the discussions will evolve as we share and learn about our faith together. Everyone is invited to our next meeting on Wednesday 15th February, 7.30pm in the St John Paul II Centre.

HOLY COMMUNION SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Children/Parent Sessions Saturday 9-10am in St John Paul II Centre: 25th February (Parents Session running alongside the children's session), 11th March, 25th March (Parents Session running alongside the children's session), 22nd April.

COFFEE MORNING, HETHE A coffee morning will be held at St Philips Hall, next Tuesday, 14th February from 10am to 12pm, all are welcome.

COFFEE MORNING: Thank you all for coming to our monthly Coffee morning. Grateful for your support. Total raised £345.00 Looking forward to seeing you all at future ones: March 3rd & April 14th.

PIETY SHOP SALE Special offer during the month of February: CTS booklets: buy on get one free. Lots of topics in these very handy booklets. Come and have a browse!

FUNDRAISER: Rags for Cash If you have any unwanted clothes, shoes, towels, bedding or curtains please take a Bag for School bag from the Welcomers or back of church to fill and return to the back of church (open daily until 4pm) or to the Ukrainian Clothing Centre, Unit 1 McKay Estate, Station Approach, Bicester, OX26 6BF. Mon-Tue 10-12noon, Thu/Fri 10-2pm, Sat 2-4pm by February 20th. If you have lots, strong black bin liners can also be used. Funds raised will be divided between parish funds and Bicester Ukrainian Community Support. Thank you in advance.

MASS INTENTIONS: My sincere thanks to those who continue to have Masses offered for families and loved ones. 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.

CAKE & PRODUCE SALE AFTER MASS: On Sunday, 19th February after 9 am & 11 am Masses. Do you have any unwanted new gifts, nearly new items which are saleable? Please bring them to the Church or to the Centre. Please support generously. All funds will be used by Jubilee celebrations. For further information, please speak to Jackie Flynn.

CAFOD Syria-Turkey Earthquake Appeal CAFOD is responding with support of provision of food, water, shelter, medical assistance and winter kits for survivors. Your donations in recent months have made that quick response possible. Let us join CAFOD in praying for our sisters and brothers affected by the earthquakes and the winter weather. Your support for CAFOD throughout the year allows our Catholic agency to act quickly when disasters strike. For more details visit CAFOD's Syria Turkey Emergency Appeal online at <https://cafod.org.uk/give>.

PARISH COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Pastoral Council - On Monday 13th February at 7pm
 Finance Council - On Monday 27th February at 7pm
 Jubilee Volunteer Group - Wednesday 1st March at 7pm

| Teams for | 5/2 | 12/2 | 19/2 | 26/2 |
|-------------------|------|-------------------|-------------------|------|
| Children lit. (4) | 4 | None Half term | None Half term | 1 |
| Coffee 9am (11) | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Coffee 11am (7) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Flowers | Anne | Sandy | Sandy | None |



SYMPATHY Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Sean O'Neill** will be received into Church on Sunday, 19th Feb at 4pm & a Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Monday, 20th Feb at 11 am., followed by burial in East & West Hagbourne. We express our condolences and assure our prayers to the family.

Thomas McNally: A Funeral service will be held on Tuesday, 21st February at 11.30am followed by cremation at North Oxfordshire Crematorium. *May he rest in peace.*

John Dunn aged 79 yrs. John will be received into church on Thursday, 23rd Feb at 4pm and a Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Friday, 24th February at 1.45 pm, followed by cremation at Oxford crematorium. *May he rest in peace.*

William McDermott aged 79; died on Saturday, 4th February at home with his family. He has lived in Bicester since 2020, prior to that had lived in Oxford for 42 years until his wife died & he came to Bicester to be closer to the family. We express our condolences & our prayers to the family. Funeral details to follow. *May he rest in peace.*

Cio Kisack of Hazel Grove, Bicester, aged 25 years died on 17th January. We express our condolences and offer our prayers to the family. Funeral details to be follow. *May he rest in peace.*

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES MAY 2023: Parish pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from the 25th to 31st May 2023. Half board £789 per person sharing a room. Single rooms are an extra £247 with limited availability. The flight will be from London Stansted to Lourdes. Booking forms can be obtained from Piety shop or Parish Office, alternatively online via All Saints. If you need more information, please get in touch with me. Online booking: www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/LD0803

HOLY LAND NOVEMBER 2023: Our pilgrimage to the Holy Land will take place from 27th Nov to 4th Dec 2023. Half board £1459 per person sharing a room. Single rooms incur a supplement of £325. Flights from London Luton. Booking forms can be obtained from the Piety Shop or Parish Office. Alternatively you can book online: <https://www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/HL0801>

Coach transfers from church to airports have yet to be decided upon and will incur extra costs.

Dates to remember

18th March 2023: Sacrament of Confirmations Mass at 6 pm
 23rd March 2023: Diamond Jubilee Celebrations @ 7pm
 13th May: First Holy Communions (For non St Mary's) 11 am
PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED DUE TO THE KINGS CORONATION ON 6/5/23
 20th May : First Holy Communions (For St Mary's) 11 am



PARISH GIVING

BICESTER <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

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.

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Financial Information

SECOND COLLECTIONS - FEBRUARY

1th/12th; Turkey - Syria appeal
 18th/19th:

Parishes Maintenance

| Church | First Collection | Second Collection | Standing Orders | Tap & Go For Parish | Mass Attendance |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Bicester | £ 313.37 | £ 238.08 | £1185 | £127.50 | 416 |
| Hethe | £55 | | £186 | | 24 |



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