



The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

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Holy Trinity Hethe

Archbishop: **The Most Rev Bernard Longley**

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

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Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays—Year 1 Week beginning of 13th August - 20th August 2023 Psalter 3

Pope's Prayer Intention for August: We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.



| AUGUST | TIME | INTENTIONS | FEASTS | LECTORS | STEWARDS |
|-------------------|--|--|--|-------------------------------|------------------|
| SAT 12th | 4pm@ Hethe | People of the Parish | 19th Sunday in Ordinary time | B Kelly/ R Deane | |
| Vigil Mass | 6.00 pm | Celina Szwest (RIP) | | R John | Thompson family |
| SUN 13th | 9.00 am | Rose Kennedy (Birthday) | | T Yarker | L & C Cleeve |
| | 11.00 am | Antonio Gomes (RIP) | | I Ziegart | Franta Family |
| MON 14th | 7.00pm | Service of the Word with Holy Communion | Mem of St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, P, M | M Daniel | |
| TUE 15th | 9.30 am 12 noon 7.00 pm | Harry Jeanne (RIP) Michael John Roycroft (RIP) Joyce Thornley (RIP) | Holy Day of Obligation Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary | J Kokore H King Sr Rose | |
| WED 16th | 9.30am | Angus Forsyth Snr (RIP) | Feria in Ordinary time | Sr Sani | |
| THU 17th | 9.30 am | | Feria in Ordinary time | H King | |
| FRI 18th | 12 noon | Ints of Kathy Gosling | Feria in Ordinary time | E King | |
| SAT 19th | 4pm@ Hethe | People of the Parish | Feria in Ordinary time | B Kelly/ R Deane | |
| Vigil Mass | 6.00 pm | Special Intentions — Castillo family | 20th Sunday in Ordinary time | B & K McFall | S & M Doherty |
| SUN 20th | 9.00 am | | | C Moyse | A Mutton |
| | 11.00 am | Robert Moses (RIP) Anna Bridget Pereira (RIP) | | T Lane | Ursuline Sisters |



One Heart
One Spirit

Please welcome Fr Nichols Akwasi from the Spiritans-Holy Ghost Fathers who will be celebrating masses for us this weekend as well as appealing for their Ministry. <https://spiritans.co.uk/>

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII declared the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which the Church celebrates every year on August 15. Simply put, the dogma of the Assumption states that at the end of her life, the Blessed Virgin Mary was taken, body and soul, into Heaven.



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



This week we pray for...
SANCTUARY LIGHT:
OUR LADY'S LIGHT:

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

THE SPIRITANS (SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND)

OUR MISSION

Our mission is the evangelisation of the "poor" (Lk 4:18). Therefore we, Spiritans, go especially:

To peoples, groups and individuals who have not yet heard the message of the Gospel or who have scarcely heard it.

To those whose needs are the greatest, and to the oppressed.

We willingly accept tasks for which the Church has difficulty in finding workers.

The Spiritan option for the poor involves a solidarity which brings us to share in the world of the marginalized. "When we opt for the poor, we opt not for poverty as such, but for people who are unjustly poor." Our Spiritan Rule of Life (14) asks of us to make ourselves "the advocates, the supporters and defenders of the weak and the little ones against all who oppress them."

FOOD BANK COLLECTIONS We will be reinstating our food bank collections in due course and need volunteers to come forward to help take the collections directly to the Food Bank on Wesley Lane during foodbank opening hours (10am-12pm, Mon-Sat). Please add your name to the list if you are able to help. A What's App group may be set up to organise this.

COFFEE MORNING Thank you to the organisers and everyone who supported the coffee morning last Friday, £239.55 was raised. Next ones to jot down on your calendars: September 1st & Oct 6th.

GROW YOUR FAITH Find answers to questions you've ever wondered about. Many of us have wondered about illness so this month's topic will be the 'Concept of Healing.' Come and share your questions and experience with us. Is there something you are curious about but never really wanted to ask, this is the forum; you suggest the subjects and we can explore those ideas. Please note this month it will be on **TUESDAY**, 22nd August at 7-30pm in the St John Paul II Centre. Very informal and ALL welcome, new Catholics, long standing Catholics and especially those who are not catholic.

FLOWER TEAM The new rota for the church flower team will be arranged very soon. If you would like to joint the team, no experience needed, please speak to Anne at the 11am choir or contact the parish office.

EXTRAORDINARY MINSTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Holy Communion of both kinds will be reintroduced from the 2nd weekend of September. I would therefore, like invite parishioners who wish to be Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to add their name to the list at the back of the Church. Training sessions for all will be held on Saturday, 2nd September at 11 am and on Monday, 4th September at 7pm.

LECTORS: If you are interested in becoming a Lector (we especially need more for the 6pm mass) please come along to the training sessions that will take place for new and existing readers/lectors on Saturday, 2nd Sept at 11 am & Monday, 4th Sept at 7.00pm in Church.

LECTORS AND WELCOMERS The rota for September & October has been sent out via email. A few copies are available at the back of church.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS AND TRAINING: Children who have made their First Holy Communion are invited to volunteer to become altar servers. It is an honour to assist the priest in Mass. If you wish to join the Guild of St Stephen, come to altar servers room 20 minutes before Mass to prepare. Alternatively, come along to the training session on Saturday, 9th September at 10 am to find out more.

DAY OF PRAYER AT HOLY TRINITY, HETHE: On Monday, 25th September. We start the day with Holy Mass at 9.30 am, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet and we conclude the day with Benediction at 4pm. Throughout the day, refreshments will be available in St Philips Hall. All welcome.

| Teams for | 13/8 | 20/8 | 27/8 | 3/9 | 10/9 |
|-------------------|------|------|-----------------|----------|------|
| Children lit. (4) | None | None | None | None | 3 |
| Coffee 9am (10) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Coffee 11am (9) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Flowers | Anne | Jo | Jo (wedding) | New rota | |

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2023-2024: The Enrolment/Information session for Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation will be held on **Monday, 25th September at 7pm** at the St John Paul II Centre. All parents whose children are in Years 3 & 6, either attending St Mary's or any other non Catholic schools, who wish to make their sacraments need to attend this meeting and commit to all the sessions required. Please bring along copies of baptism certificates if you attend a non catholic school. For more information or dates, please visit our parish website, alternatively see our notice board.

RIDE & STRIDE The Annual Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust Ride & Stride will take place from 10.00am to 4.00pm on Saturday, 9 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/welcomer 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.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE: 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. You can book online:

Dates to remember

September

24th: International Mass & Shared Lunch

25th: Enrolment meeting -First Confession/Holy Communion/ Confirmation

25th: Day of Prayer at Hethe from 9.30 am - 4.30pm

October

7th Baptism Course 10am-12 noon

15th First Reconciliation Commitment Mass at 9 am

28th Parish & Catenians Joint Quiz Night

November:

4th Filipino Day of Prayer

12th Confirmation Commitment Mass at 9 am

14th Annual Mass for the deceased Clergy of the Deanery



PARISH GIVING

BICESTER <https://portal.myдона.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 Bathhula: 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

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Financial Information

SECOND COLLECTIONS

5th/6th August: Parish Maintenance

12th/13th August: The Spiritans Appeal

19th/20th August: Parish Maintenance



| Church | First Collection | Second Collection | Standing Orders | Tap & Go Donations | Mass Attendance |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Bicester | £376.29 | £124.05 | £1165 | £65 | 378 |
| Hethe | £46 | | £170 | | 22 |

Gift Aid it!!- you could add 25% to the value of your donation. Contact the Parish Gift Aid Co-ordinator Sr Anu; or speak to me. (Canon John)



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