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

Archbishop: The Most Rev Bernard Longley

Area Bishop: Rt. Rev. William Kenney

Dean of Banbury Deanery & Parish Priest:

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

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Parish Deacons: **Rev Mr Michael Panejko** MA: 246 459

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3rd Sunday of Advent B

13th December 2020 Psalter 3



YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

2020 - 8TH DECEMBER - 2021

DECEMBED	TIME	IMMACIII ATE CONCEDTION & HOLV TRINITY	FEASTS
DECEMBER		IMMACULATE CONCEPTION & HOLY TRINITY	
SATURDAY 12TH	10 AM @ Hethe	Gordon Clue (RIP)	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
	6.00 PM	Intentions of Mary Lynch	64
SUNDAY 13TH	9.30 AM	People of God	
	11.00 AM	John Sanjeeva Rao Batthula (RIP)	
	6.00 PM	Wasyl & Stefany Hawryluk (RIP)	
MONDAY 14TH	9.05 AM	ROSARY	
	9.30 AM	Intentions of Richard Anthony O'Rourke	Mem. of the St John of the Cross PD
TUESDAY 15TH	9.05 AM	ROSARY	
	9.30 AM	Pat & Alice Beggs (RIP)	Advent feria
WEDNESDAY 16TH	9.05 AM	ROSARY	
	9.30 AM	Intentions of Parish Sisters	Advent feria
THURSDAY 17TH	9.05 AM	ROSARY	
	9.30 AM	Patrick Woods (RIP)	Advent feria
FRIDAY 18TH	11.35 AM	ROSARY	
	12 NOON	Jude Sonon (RIP)	Advent feria
SATURDAY 19TH	6.00 PM	Don Burton (RIP)	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
SUNDAY 20TH	8.00 AM at Hethe	People of God	1. 1.
	9.30 AM	Betty Cartin (RIP)	
	11.00 AM	William Swanson (RIP)	Marie State Control
	6.00 PM		



This week we pray for..... Walenty Nowak (RIP) SANCTUARY LIGHT Forgiveness to each other & ourselves OUR LADY'S LIGHT

NHS TRACK AND TRACE APP If you have a smart phone, please register using our QR codes in both of our churches when you attend private prayer. The codes are on display as you enter. Anyone who does not have a smartphone can provide their contact details at the entrance to the stewards.

BAPTISMS: Please contact the Parish Office.

Preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation 2020/21. All children who do not attend St Mary's School please contact Clare St John

(Parish Catechist) and Deacon Nick at

<u>nick.f.stjohn@btinternet.com</u> or the Parish Office.

Confirmation Commitment Dates to be arranged.

Holy Communion Commitment Masses over the weekend of 31st January and 7th February Saturday 6pm, 9:30am and 6pm Sunday.

PARISH GIVING Donations can be made online through the Archdiocesan Website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/support-our-work. Select either "BICESTER" or "HETHE" on the dropdown menu and follow instructions. Alternatively, Offertory Envelopes can be placed in the donation box in church. Standing order details: NatWest Bank, Account No: 02342731; Sort Code: 51 70 15.

PRODUCE AND CAKE: Big Christmas Sale this Sunday. I look forward to your generous support.

CHRISTMAS STARS: Stars that will decorate our Church Christmas tree can be bought for Lost Loved Ones. Cost £2.50 each. Where possible email names and arrange payment via BACs (preferable) use: Surname/Star as reference. Forms can be downloaded from our website these can be placed into offerings box on leaving church.

MORE STEWARDS REQUIRED FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES: In order for all the planned Christmas Masses to take place we will require more volunteers to steward. If you would like to assist, please get in touch with me.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: Parents of children who are due to start primary school in September 2021 are reminded that they must make an online, or paper application through Oxfordshire County Council between 1st Nov 2020 & 15th Jan 2021. Any queries, contact the school office, 252035. For more information, please see a special flyer available on our website. I would like to encourage our catholic parents to send their children to our school.

SACRISTY ROOF: It is necessary for us to replace the flat roof of the sacristy due to age and wear and tear. This work will hopefully take place before Christmas. The church will remain open for Masses during the work.



SPONSORING SANCTUARY LAMPS As you may be aware, there are lamps which 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 in to Parish Clergy, post through Henley House letter box or to Parish Sisters in an envelope marked 'Sanctuary Lamp Donation', together with a note stating your particu-

lar intention. The intentions will be published in the weekly bulletin. Intentions will be placed in order as they are received.

PIETY & TRADECRAFT A stall with Christmas items will be held outside the church on Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th at all Masses.

HALF A DAY OF PRAYER: The annual Prayer service will take place Saturday 19th December from 4.30pm to 5.45pm followed by Mass at 6.00pm. The Filipino community will be leading the prayers and worship.

CHRISTMAS 2020

<u>Christmas Eve, Thursday, 24th December</u> <u>Bicester:</u> 4pm, 6pm, 9pm and 12 Midnight <u>Christmas Day, Friday, 25th December</u>

Bicester: 8.00am, (70 places available), 9.30am & 11.00am

Hethe: 10.00am.

For Hethe, please contact Mr. Breff Kelly on 01280702500 or email: breffkelly@gmail.com

If you have not reserved a place in advance then unfortunately you will not be allowed entry into Church. Please reserve in advance.

<u>FIRST CONFESSIONS:</u> Children of the parents who are ready for the First Confession are invited to get in touch with the office to make necessary arrangements.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Monday, 21st December at 7.00pm in Church. Everyone must follow the same guidance as for attending Mass. Please maintain social distance. Visiting priests will be available to hear our confessions.



CHRISTMAS CAROLS 11AM CHOIR

On Tuesday, 22nd December from 7.30pm to 8.15pm (Live stream only)

<u>CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS:</u> All collections at Christmas eve and Christmas Masses will be a traditional gift to Priests of the Parish. I thank you for your generosity and prayers.

LECTORS & STEWARDS AT CHRISTMAS

Thu 24th Dec	Reader	Reader	Stewards
4pm	H King	A Hall	H King, A Mutton, Frankie L O'Flynn & M Tywnham
6pm	S McCarthy	C McArdle	McArdle Family
9pm	R Evans	R Reji	B & K McFall & B Nichols
Midnight	A Kirby Hall		J & M Franta & J Marshall
Fri 25th Dec	Reader	Reader	Stewards
8am	H King		Frankie & H King
9.30am	C Moyse		Les & Colette Cleeve & Frankie
11am	T Lane		J & J Kokore, Portia & Frankie

LECTORS AT THE WEEKEND MASSES

Lectors	13/12	20/12	27/12	3/01
Saturday 6pm	P Sims	L Cleeve/C McArdle	P Sims	
Sunday 9.30am	S & L Taylor	C Moyse	S McCarthy	
Sunday 11am	H King	N Ward	L Cleeve	
Sunday 6pm	T Lane	C St John	H King	



Church	Loose	Gift Aid	Total	Attended
Bicester	£264.54	£80	£344.54	196
Hethe	£	DD £168		22



Thank you for your ongoing support particularly in these difficult times!

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

K Cashman, Tim Charles, Joyce Thornley, Mary Ashley, John Dunn & Marie Olive.



Online Webcam

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