

Teams for :	13/9	20/9	27/9	4/10	11/10	18/10
Children Liturgy	2	3	None	1	none	2
Coffee 9am (11)	11	1	2	3	4	5
Coffee 11am (9)	1	2	3	5	4	6
Flowers	Anne/Kay	Anne/Kay				

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

We include those in hospitals, nursing homes and their own homes:

Mary Lynch, Jean McIntosh, Gerry Wright.

ROSARY: Daily 25 minutes before Mass starts.
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Every Tuesday at 2.00pm in Church with prayer intentions.
BAPTISMS/WEDDINGS: Please contact the Parish Office through email or phone.
CONFESSIONS: <i>Saturday Bicester: 10.30am-11.30am</i> <i>Hethe: 3.30pm-3.50 pm</i> (Sacristy)
URSULINE LAY ASSOCIATION: Every 2nd Wednesday of the month @ 2pm Ursuline Convent.
EAST TIMOR COMMUNITY PRAYER: First Sunday of the month at 5.00pm. Various locations.
PARISH OUTREACH GROUP: Contact the Office if you need some form of practical help.
UKRAINIAN LITURGY Ukrainian Divine Liturgy occasional Sundays. Announced in bulletin.

LIVING WATER - SEASON OF CREATION 2026 The theme of this year’s Season of Creation (1st September– 4th October) is **Living Water**.

COULD YOU BE A CARITAS PARISH AMBASSADOR? We’re inviting people from across the Archdiocese of Birmingham to act as a link between your parish and Father Hudson’s Caritas. Interested? Attend our information session on Tuesday 15th September at 7pm online. Contact Emily Pugh, emilypugh@fatherhudsons.org.uk or 07385 472924 for the link to join.

FUNERAL Sonia Drury: A Requiem Mass will take place on Monday, 21st September at 11am, followed by cremation at North Oxfordshire Crematorium. *May she rest in peace.*

CHILDRENS LITURGY We welcome back the Children's Liturgy team after their summer break. Sadly the team numbers are dwindling and they are unable to cover every Sunday, we therefore would like to appeal to parishioners to come forward and join. It is a lovely way to support our younger members of the parish, helping them to understand and celebrate the Gospel in a way that is meaningful and engaging for them. All members go through DBS clearance. If you are thinking about it and would like more information please email the coordinator Elspeth on pclt.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk or speak to Fr Craig.

RCIA -Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults If you are wanting to learn more about the Catholic faith or need a refresher in the basics of the faith, have a desire to become a Catholic, or perhaps you are a baptised Catholic but haven't made our First Holy Communion or Confirmation and would like to join the next course, which will take place on Monday evenings from the autumn until Easter, then please speak to Fr Craig and or contact the parish office asap.

BAPTISM COURSE The next one will beheld on Wednesday, 30th September from 7pm-9pm. Contact the parish office to register.

MASS OFFERINGS Mass intentions are currently available from November. Please ensure you also complete a Mass offering envelope if paying by card.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK If someone you know would like to receive Holy Communion at home or in a care or nursing home, please get in touch with the parish office.

HOUSE BLESSING Please contact the office via email if you wish to have your home blessed.

SANCTUARY LAMPS If you wish to sponsor a sanctuary lamp which perpetually burn in the church please complete a form and deliver to the parish office via clergy/sisters. This can be for deceased family and friends, a loved one, or for a particular intention. The proceeds go towards the costs of the Sacristy. The lamps burn for one week. Cost £10.

ROSARY A few more volunteers are needed to recite the rosary especially on a Saturday before the 6pm Mass. If you would be willing, even once a month, please speak to Sr Sani or Mandy Marrs.

COFFEE MORNING A huge thank you to the organisers, the craft stall holders, and to everyone who came along to the Coffee Morning last week. It was a lovely occasion, with a really warm and friendly atmosphere, people enjoying a coffee, browsing the stalls and having a chat. Thank you all for making it such a lovely and successful morning and especially for your generosity as £374.30 was raised for parish funds.

JOIN US ON THE WHATS APP COMMUNITY CATHOLIC BICESTER GROUP FOR TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH PARISH INFORMATION & NEWS. THERE ARE ALSO SEPARATE GROUPS FOR CHURCH GROUPS CREATED WITHIN THE APP. SCAN THE QR CODE AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS.

SACRAMENTAL ENROLMENT SESSION This will take place on **Monday, 21st September at 7pm** in the St John Paul II Centre for any children wishing to prepare for their First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Application forms will be available at the Enrolment Session and are now also available at the back of church and on the website. If your child does not attend St Marys, please attach a copy of their Baptism certificate to the Enrolment form. *Do not deliver any forms to the Parish Office.* Children will need to commit to all the sessions to complete their preparation for the Sacrament/s, and will also be expected to attend weekend Mass regularly. Any late applications will not be accepted. Please note that our limited number of catechist are all volunteers and DBS checked. If you are interested in becoming a Sacramental Catechist, please speak to Fr Craig.

Dates for the Sacraments 2027

First Reconciliation - Friday, 15th January 2027 at 4pm for St Mary’s children and Saturday, 16th January 2027 at 11am for non - St Mary’s children.

Confirmation Mass - Friday 12th March 2027.

First Holy Communion - Saturday, 15th May 2027 at 11am for all children.

JPII GAMING EVENT (formerly ZZAP!) this will take place on Saturday, 14th November from 11am-4pm. A chance to play retro, modern games and more! Raffle and refreshments available. This is a fundraiser for the church and tickets can now be purchased online via wegottickets.com - The JPII Gaming Event.

DIARY DATES 2026:

Coffee Mornings Fridays 2nd October at 10am.

Parish Pastoral Meeting Friday 11th September at 7pm.

Baptism Course: Wednesday 30th September 7pm-9pm.

Angel Drive Friday 9th October with fish and chip supper.

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.’

PARISH GIVING

SECOND COLLECTIONS

For September: 6th & 13th Parish Maintenance, 20th Catholic Evangelisation, 27th Harvest Fast (CAFOD)

Ways in which you can support your parish:

Consider whether you can increase your donation to the parish. **Switch** to giving by way of standing order or direct debit. This ensures that the parish receives a more regular income.

If you are a UK taxpayer, complete a **gift aid** declaration, which increases your donation by 25% at no extra cost to you.

Include a bequest to the parish in your will.



BICESTER LINK TO DONATE:

<https://portal.mydona.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=528>

Contact the Parish Office for account details to set up the following: Weekly offerings/Donations/Payments/100 Club etc
Mass intentions offerings: Complete an offering envelope which can be found at the back of church whether you pay by cash or card. If paying by card use option ‘mass offerings’ & enter surname when prompted. Deliver envelope to Clergy/Sisters or Parish Office. Thank you.

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. Thank you!

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An Induction Loop system is provided. Please switch Hearing Aid to ‘T’

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/xmTDv4jBRjMTROM5VBVyN34wpRY1nK34jSHqcqhr>

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 Parish of St Edmund Campion

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>

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TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays II - 13th September 2026 - Psalter Week 4

The month of September is dedicated to the Seven Sorrows of Mary

Pope’s Prayer Intention for September: For the Care of Water: Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

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DATE	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTERS	WELCOMERS
SAT12th	4.00pm HT 6.00pm	People of the Parish Bill & Kitty Hornby & Angela Nelson (RIP)	<i>Mem of Most Holy Name of Mary</i>	Volunteer P & K Kallay	S & M Doherty	Volunteers
SUN 13th	9.00am 11.00am 1.00pm	Ints of Fr Aldo Tapparo - Golden Jubilee Ints of Sara Kokore (25th Birthday) Baptism - Maya Sienna Iris McKenzie	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Education Sunday	C Moyses/ A Mutton M Lawrence/ J Gilliland	M & A Brown J & J Kokore	Sr Molly/ C Cleeve Franta Family
MON 14th	9.30am 12 noon	Souls in Purgatory Ints of Aunt Lucia	<i>Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i>	M Daniel		
TUE 15th	9.30am 2.00pm IC	Souls in Purgatory Divine Mercy Chaplet	<i>Mem of Our Lady of Sorrows</i>	Ni Li		
WED 16th		No Mass	<i>Mem of Ss Cornelius, P & Cyprian, B, M</i>	Volunteer		
THU 17th	9.30am	Jonathan Brandis (RIP)	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	H King		
FRI 18th	12.00noon	Private Intentions (K. L.)	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	E King		
SAT19th	10.00am 10.30am-11.30am 4.00pm HT 6.00pm	Ints of Ria Rianti - 40th Birthday Exposition, Benediction & Confessions Ints of Elizabeth Howell Ints of Aileen Ongkiko	<i>Mem of Our Lady</i>	Volunteer Volunteer R Rianti/ B Hardingham	M Kelly/ B Satiago	McArdle Family
SUN 20th	9.00am 11.00am	Ints of Natalie Hodges & Family People of the Parish	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	L & S Taylor F Nyonyonzi/ C Tett	L & R Weaver Sr Sani/Sr Molly	C West/Volunteer Kokore Family

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Tea & Coffee in the JP II Centre after the 9am and 11am
Masses every weekend & once a month on a Friday
throughout the year.



Come along for a chat and meet your fellow parishioners!
Donations can now be made by card—option ‘Coffee Mornings’
We use Fairtrade / Rainforest Alliance Tea and Coffee!



This week we pray for...

SANCTUARY LIGHT: Angus Forsyth Snr. (RIP)

OUR LADY’S CHAPEL: Timothy Joyce (RIP)

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.

Church	First Collection	Parish Maintenance	Standing Orders	Mass Attendance
Bicester	Published	next	£1122	week
Hethe	Published	next	£165	week

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.

Archdiocese of Birmingham: “Our Vision is to be a Catholic Diocese which is faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ, full of missionary disciples who work together co-responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour”.

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First reading

Sirach 27:30-28:7

‘Forgive your neighbour the wrong he has done, and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray.’

Anger and wrath, these are abominations,
and the sinful man will hold them fast.
The one who seeks vengeance will be paid vengeance from the Lord,
and he who keeps a record will have his own sins recorded.
Forgive your neighbour the wrong he has done,
and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray.
Does one person harbour anger against another
and yet seek for healing from the Lord?
Does he have no mercy towards someone like himself
and yet pray concerning his own sins?
If he himself, being flesh, maintains wrath,
who will make atonement for his sins?
Remember the end of your life and cease from enmity,
remember destruction and death
and be true to the commandments.
Remember the commandments
and do not be angry with your neighbour;
remember the covenant of the Most High
and overlook error.
The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and rich in mercy

Second reading

Romans 14:7-9

‘Whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord’s.’

Brothers and Sisters: None of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord’s. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.
A new commandment I give to you, says the Lord,
that you love one another, just as I have loved you.
Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

‘I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.’

At that time: Peter came up and said to Jesus, ‘Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?’ Jesus said to him, ‘I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. ‘Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, “Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.” And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, “Pay what you owe.” So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, “Have patience with me, and I will pay you.” He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him and said to him, “You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?” And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.’

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

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 (Not used during Advent & Lent)

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: Glory and praise to you O Christ(a few words)

People: Glory and praise to you O Christ

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.