



The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

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Holy Trinity Hethe

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time A
15th November 2020 Psalter 1



VII. THE GRACE OF BAPTISM

1262 The different effects of Baptism are signified by the perceptible elements of the sacramental rite. Immersion in water symbolizes not only death and purification, but also regeneration and renewal. Thus the two principal effects are purification from sins and new birth in the Holy Spirit.⁶⁵

For the forgiveness of sins . . .

1263 By Baptism all sins are forgiven, original sin and all personal sins, as well as all punishment for sin.⁶⁶ In those who have been reborn nothing remains that would impede their entry into the Kingdom of God, neither Adam's sin, nor personal sin, nor the consequences of sin, the gravest of which is separation from God.

1264 Yet certain temporal consequences of sin remain in the baptized, such as suffering, illness, death, and such frailties inherent in life as weaknesses of character, and so on, as well as an inclination to sin that Tradition calls concupiscence, or metaphorically, "the tinder for sin" (fomes peccati); since concupiscence "is left for us to wrestle with, it cannot harm those who do not consent but manfully resist it by the grace of Jesus Christ."⁶⁷ Indeed, "an athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules."⁶⁸

"A new creature"

1265 Baptism not only purifies from all sins, but also makes the neophyte "a new creature," an adopted son of God, who has become a "partaker of the divine nature,"⁶⁹ member of Christ and co-heir with him,⁷⁰ and a temple of the Holy Spirit.⁷¹

1266 The Most Holy Trinity gives the baptized sanctifying grace, the grace of justification: - enabling them to believe in God, to hope in him, and to love him through the theological virtues; - giving them the power to live and act under the prompting of the Holy Spirit through the gifts of the Holy Spirit; - allowing them to grow in goodness through the moral virtues. Thus the whole organism of the Christian's supernatural life has its roots in Baptism.

Incorporated into the Church, the Body of Christ

1267 Baptism makes us members of the Body of Christ: "Therefore . . . we are members one of another."⁷² Baptism incorporates us into the Church. From the baptismal fonts is born the one People of God of the New Covenant, which transcends all the natural or human limits of nations, cultures, races, and sexes: "For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body."⁷³

1268 The baptized have become "living stones" to be "built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood."⁷⁴ By Baptism they share in the priesthood of Christ, in his prophetic and royal mission. They are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, that [they] may declare the wonderful deeds of him who called [them] out of darkness into his marvellous light."⁷⁵ Baptism gives a share in the common priesthood of all believers.

(Catechism of the Catholic Church)

NOVEMBER	TIME	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION & HOLY TRINITY	FEASTS
SATURDAY 14TH	6.00 PM	Norma Santiago (RIP)	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time A
SUNDAY 15TH	9.30 AM	Bridget McDermott (RIP)	World Day of The Poor
	11.00 AM	Bernard Chellar (RIP)	
	1.30PM-2.30PM	Private Prayer—Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
MONDAY 16TH	9.30 AM	Cherry Bridle (RIP)	<i>Feria in ordinary time</i>
TUESDAY 17TH	9.30 AM	Florence Omo-Osagio (RIP)	<i>Feria in ordinary time</i>
WEDNESDAY 18TH	9.30 AM	Lieutenant Colonel Philip Crook (RIP)	<i>Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter & Paul</i>
	10.30AM-12.30PM	Private Prayer—Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
THURSDAY 19TH	9.30 AM	Maria Gorlej (RIP)	<i>Feria in ordinary time</i>
FRIDAY 20TH	9.30 AM	Dom Gregory Chillman OCB (RIP)	<i>Feria in ordinary time</i>
SATURDAY 21ST	10.00 AM	James Carey (RIP)	<i>Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
	6.00 PM	Deceased members of Catenian Association	
SUNDAY 22ND	9.30 AM	Lieutenant Colonel Philip Crook (RIP)	Solemnity of the Christ the King
	11.00 AM	People of God	National Youth Sunday
	1.30PM-2.30PM	Private Prayer—Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	

Further to the Government announcement regarding lockdown restrictions from Thursday 5th November, we are in the position again, where we unfortunately have to cease celebrating public Masses. Masses will continue online so please join us live stream on:

<https://mcnmedia.tv/iframe/e8896647923e089406131a3b96e45994de4a89c4>

However, we are able to open the church for private prayer with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and will be open on:

Wednesdays from 10.30-12.30 & Sundays from 1.30-2.30 until further notice.

Please do wear masks to Mass and sanitise hands on entry and exit.

Please do not come to church if you have symptoms.

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: None until further notice. If you have a baptism booked within the lockdown period please contact the Parish Office to rearrange.

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: Blessing of Graves—Due to national lockdown no public attended Blessing of the Graves will be able to take place. Parish Clergy will Bless the Foynes Memorial Garden after celebrating Mass on the 8th November and will also Bless Graves at Bicester Cemetery. Note: No public in attendance.

PRODUCE AND CAKE SALE: There will be a Cake and Produce sale on Sunday, 15th November from 1.30 pm - 2.30 pm whilst the Church is open for Private Prayer. If successful it will be held each Sunday. For pre-orders please contact Jackie Flynn.

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 nick.f.stjohn@btinternet.com or the Parish Office.

Confirmation Commitment Masses over the weekend of 22nd and 29th November Saturday 6pm, 9:30am and 6pm Sunday. Due to lockdown these Masses will be rearranged.

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.

#RED WEDNESDAY AT HOME 21st - 29th November 2020. Although UK churches are gradually opening again, on 25th November, in solidarity with suffering Christians and all who are keeping the Faith alive in hidden places, especially the 'underground' church in China, we are asking you to mark #RedWednesday in your own home and to join the online #RedWednesday event, this will be a livestream Mass at Farm St Parish in central London: 'UNJUSTLY DETAINED' EVENT 6pm. Join this mass to make it a HUGE 'Virtual' #RedWednesday. To register your interest, and access the event schedule visit www.acnuk.org/redwednesday. No merchandise is available to purchase this year, however donations can be made online or by telephone 0345 6460110 to support ACN.

CHRISTMAS 2020

If public Masses are able to be celebrated I plan for them to take place at the following times:

Christmas Eve, Thursday, 24th December

Bicester: 4.00pm, 6.00pm, 9.00 pm and 12 Midnight.

Hethe: 5.30 pm & 8.00pm.

Christmas Day, Friday, 25th December

Bicester: 8.00am, 9.30am & 11.00am. **Hethe:** 10.00am.

However, there is no fair and equitable way of allocating spaces for the Christmas Masses. Therefore, I have decided that if you wish to attend any of them, then please email or telephone the Parish Office. **If you have not reserved a place in advance then unfortunately you will not be allowed entry into Church.** The maximum of 85 people will be allowed per Mass at Bicester & 22 people at Hethe. Please reserve in advance.

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.

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? 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 particular intention. The intentions will be published in the weekly bulletin.

MORNING PRAYER:

Monday to Friday at 9.00am.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT,

EVENING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 6pm to 6.45pm.

ROSARY: Saturday after 10am Mass.



This week we pray for.....
Peter Flynn - RIP
SANCTUARY LIGHT
Siobhan Louise Connery - RIP
OUR LADY'S LIGHT



Church	Loose	Gift Aid	Total		Attended
Bicester					
Hethe	£	DD £168			

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 Ollive.



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