



# The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

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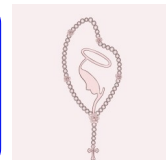
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**Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays - Year 1**  
**Week beginning of 15th to 22nd October 2023 Psalter 4**

Pope's Prayer Intention for October: We pray for the church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.



OCTOBER	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTER	STEWARDS
SAT 14th	4.00 pm @Hethe			R Deane		R Deane/S Wilde
Vigil Mass	6.00 pm	People of the Parish	28th Sunday OT	R John/C McArdle	J & D Jimerez	McArdle Family
SUN 15th	9.00 am	Dorothy Waine (RIP) First Reconciliation Enrolment Rite		L & S Taylor	L & R Weaver	L Williams/ A Mutton
	11.00 am	Antonio Gomes (RIP)		C Tett/I Ziegart	J Kokore & F Ostrowski	Franta Family
MON 16th	9.30 am @Hethe	Intentions of Canon John Batthula	Feria in O T			
	12 noon	Ints of Lucia Ostrowska		M Daniel	Sr Rose	
TUE 17th	9.30 am		Mem of St Ignatius of Antioch, B, M	J Kokore	Frankie	
WED 18th	8.00 am		Feast of St Luke	L Cleeve	J Kokore	
	7.30 pm	"GROW YOUR FAITH"				St JP II Centre
THU 19th	9.30 am	Thomas Edward Sisson (RIP)	Feria in O T	H King	Sr Rose	
	7.00 pm	Video - "The Chosen" - 7th Episode				St JP II Centre
FRI 20th	12 noon	Peter & Marie Murowski (RIP)	Feria in O T	E King	J Marshall	
SAT 21st	4.00 pm @Hethe		Feria in O T	R Deane		
Vigil Mass	6.00 pm	People of the Parish		B & K McFall	B Santiago & Sr Sani	M & S Doherty
SUN 22nd	9.00 am	Sr Andrea Pozholiparambil (RIP)	29th Sunday in OT	M Daniel & L Cleeve	M Brown & F Ostrowski	L & C Cleeve
Mission Sunday	11.00 am	Cherry Bridle (RIP) William Swanson (RIP)		R Evans & J Hurst	J Marshall & Sr Rose	Orleans Family

**Marriage** - Engaged couples seeking marriage in Church should inform Canon John at least **six months** before the intended wedding date so that there is enough time for all the necessary administration to be completed. This requirement applies to marriages taking place here in the parish, in other parts of the UK, and overseas. Contact parish by email for information.



**This week we pray for...**  
**SANCTUARY LIGHT: Sruthi Int.**  
**OUR LADY'S LIGHT: Maureen Neil (RIP)**



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**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:

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**Diocesan Safeguarding Team** can be contacted on 0121 2306240 or [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns.

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**Rev Mr Nick St John:** 01869 246 787

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Teams for	15/10	22/10	29/10	5/11	12/11	19/11
Children lit. (4)	none	none	none	3	4	1
Coffee 9am (10)	10	1	2	3	4	5
Coffee 11am (9)	1	2	3	4	6	7
Flowers	Anita	Anita	Jo	Jo	Anne	Anne

**LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:**

Mary Lynch, Victor Francis, K Cashman, Tim Charles, Helena Nowak & Jean McIntosh.

**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.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION ENROLMENT MASS:** On Sunday during 9am Mass all children who are being prepared to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be enrolled. I ask for your prayers and support. I seek a real commitment from the families as their children begin an important journey.

**GROW YOUR FAITH:** Find answers to questions you've ever wondered about.' This month we will be talking about 'How God found me'. We already have people prepared to share their experiences, some incredible, some less so, all equally valuable. 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. This month it will be on **Wednesday, 18th October 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.

**THE CHOSEN:** "The Chosen" is a television drama based on the life of Jesus Christ, portraying Jesus "through the eyes of those who met him." The 6th episode is on **Thursday**, at 7pm in St John Paul II Centre, with the last episode of the Season One on **Thursday, 26th October.**

**SISTER ANU:** After almost four years here in Bicester, Sr Anu will be going back to India on the 19th October to join her community and to resume teaching in their school. She would like to thank everyone for their support and kindness. We wish her a safe journey home and we assure her of our prayers.

**QUIZ NIGHT** A Quiz Night organised by the Catenians will be held on Saturday, 28th October at 7.30pm at the St John Paul II Centre. Tickets on sale now £5, students who are 16 and above £2. Available from the Catenians after masses and Piety Shop. Funds will be shared between Parish and Air Ambulance. Bar and snacks will be available.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** We are currently short of Mass intentions, so please continue to request. Mass envelopes are available from the back of the Church/ Piety Shop or Parish Office.

**PIETY SHOP** We currently have a selection of icons and statues, also various greeting cards, rosary beads, incense, CTS booklets and second hand religious books by well known authors. Come and have a browse.

**HOLY TRINITY HETHE** 'Monday Films' after 9.30am Mass in St Philip's Hall. All welcome!

**SPONSORING SANCTUARY LAMPS:** These lamps 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 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 placed in order as they are received & published in the weekly bulletin.

**COFFEE MORNING:** Raised £270 last week. Thank you to all who supported and organised the event, great to see so many new visitors enjoying delicious home baked cakes! Next ones: Nov 3rd & Dec 1st.

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE:** This will be held on Sunday, 19th November after the 9am and 11 am Masses. I appeal to you for the donations of bottles, unused new gifts & chocolates. Please **no** bric-a-brac. We also need some volunteers to take responsibility to organise the event. Please contact the office if you would like to coordinate the event.

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE:** We are distributing our Christmas raffle tickets as from this weekend, please support your parish by taking some books to sell to your family and friends and then deliver the counter-

foils with the correct amount as they are sold to the Parish Office. **INTERNET PROBLEMS** The Parish Office and JPPI are still experiencing internet problems, the problem is due to be resolved this coming week. It unfortunately means that we cannot currently livestream Masses. We apologise for any inconvenience.

**THIS WEEK'S TIPS FROM OUR PARISH ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP:**

**Single use plastic:** Use shampoo and shower gel bars instead of liquids in plastic bottles e.g. Ecoliving Shampoo Bars and Totally Solid shower gel blocks (both available from Bicester Green). Buy fruit and vegetables plastic free from the market stalls or the fish shop in Sheep Street. Refill your dried food containers at Bicester Green.

**APF MISSION SUNDAY** will take place on the weekend of 21st & 22nd October. Please bring your red boxes to be emptied to the piety shop, Sisters, Parish Office or to Jim Bridle. Empty red boxes to take can be found at the back of church.

**BICESTER FOOD BANK** We now have a dedicated crate in the church porch to collect food for the Bicester Food Bank. Please be generous in your giving of non-perishable foods. Thank you.

**ACN** In preparation for #Red Wednesday ACN is launching a Rosary Campaign, Sunday 22nd of October 2.30pm to 3.30pm go to event/rosary-campaign-launch.

**BICESTER FESTIVAL OF SUSTAINABLE LIVING** at St Edburg's Church on Saturday, 28th October 10am to 5pm. Free entry, talks and information.

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE** Due to the unfortunate current situation in Israel it is highly unlikely this pilgrimage will go ahead. Contact All Saints for further information.

**Dates to remember**

**October**

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

19th Annual Christmas Fayre after 9 am & 11 am Masses.

22nd #RED WEDNESDAY - Aid to the church in Need (ACN)



**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 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

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**BICESTER**



**Financial Information**

**SECOND COLLECTIONS**

15th/16th : Parish Maintenance

21st/22nd: APF World Mission Sunday

28th/29th October: Parish Maintenance

4th/5th November: Sick & Retired Clergy - Johnson Association

Church	First Collection	CAFOD	Standing Orders	Tap & Go Donations	Mass Attendance
<b>Bicester</b>	£382.15	£198.20	£1165	£145	482
<b>Hethe</b>	£34.50	£21.80	£170	£42.76	20

**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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