



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



Holy Trinity Hethe

Archbishop: **The Most Rev Bernard Longley**

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

Dean of Banbury & Warwick Deanery & Parish Priest:

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

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Gift Aid Organiser: **Sr Anu Joseph**

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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays Year 1

18th to 26th February 2023 Psalter 3

Pope's Prayer Intention for February for parishes: We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity & welcome towards those most in need..

The Holy Family



FEbruary	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	STEWARDS
SAT 18th	Hethe 4.00 pm	Deidre Dowse (RIP)		B Kelly/ R Deane	S Wilde/R Deane
	6.00 pm	Eleuterio Correia (RIP) 1st anniversary	7th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sr Rose/ P Sims	Thompson Family
SUN 19th	9.00 am	People of the Parish		L & S Taylor	L & C Cleeve
	11.00 am	Mark Kalch - Thanksgiving		T Lane/N Ward	J & M Franta
	4.00 pm	Reception of Sean O'Neill (RIP)			
MON 20th	9.30am@Hethe	Bernadette O'Reilly - Family wellbeing			
	11.00 am	Requiem Mass of Sean O'Neill (RIP)		M Daniel	L Cleeve
TUE 21st	9.30 am	Sophie Paulden (RIP)		Sisters	
	11.30 am	Funeral Service of Thomas McNally (RIP)			L Cleeve
WED 22nd	9.30 am	Laura Barrass (RIP)	Ash Wednesday	KS 2 pupils	
	12 Noon	Terence Thompson (RIP)		L Cleeve/E King	
	7.00 pm	Willie McDermott (RIP)		H King/Sr Rose	
THUR 23rd	8am@ School	Willie McDermott (RIP)	Thursday after Ash Wednesday		
	12 Noon	Ronald Hawke (RIP)		H King	
	4.00 pm	Reception of John Dunn (RIP)			
FRI 24th	12 Noon	Elli & Heinz Zielonka (RIP)	Friday after Ash Wednesday	E King	
	1.45 pm	Requiem Mass of John Dunn (RIP)			L Cleeve
	7.00 pm	WAY OF THE CROSS			
SAT 25th	Hethe 4.00 pm	Mary Evans (RIP)		B Kelly/ R Deane	S Wilde/R Deane
	6.00 pm	Sean O'Neill (RIP)	1st Sunday of Lent	B & K McFall	McArdle Family
SUN 26th	9.00 am	People of the Parish		M Daniel/M Daniel	C St John
	11.00 am	Stephen Booth (RIP)		C Tett/I Ziegart	A Orleans

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Every Tuesday at 2.00pm in Church

BAPTISMS/WEDDINGS: Please contact the Parish Office through email or phone call to make necessary arrangements.

CONFESSIONS: Hethe: **Every Saturday from 3.15pm - 3.50 pm (in the Sacristy)** Bicester: 5.15 pm - 5.45pm

HOLY HOUR: Every First Friday from 6.00pm to 7.00pm

ROSARY: Everyday 25 minutes before Mass starts.

URSULINE LAY ASSOCIATES MEETING: 2nd Wednesday of every month at 2pm @ Ursuline Convent

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



LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Mary Lynch, Victor Francis, K Cashman, Tim Charles, Joyce Thornley, Helena Nowak, Joy Martin, & Jean McIntosh.

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS: On Thursday 23rd March, we as a Catholic Community will mark the three fold celebrations: 80th anniversary of the establishment of the parish, 70th anniversary of Guild of St Stephen in the parish and 60th anniversary of the parish Church. To mark this occasion, our Archbishop, The Most Reverend Bernard Longley will join us and will be the principle celebrant at the Concelebrated Mass, at 7.00pm, followed by light supper in the Centre. I wish to invite all parishioners past, present & school community to join us in our jubilee celebrations. If you would like to volunteer to assist us on the day, please come for the meeting on **Wednesday 1st March at 7pm. We need to have an idea for the catering purposes**, how many people will be participating at Jubilee celebrations. The list at the back of the Church, so please write your name & how many people will be coming.

CONFIRMATIONS: Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday 18th March during 6pm Mass. We look forward to welcome Canon Paul Fitzpatrick, our area Episcopal Vicar to our Parish. Let us keep our young people in our prayers.

HOLY COMMUNION SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Children/Parent Sessions Saturday 9-10am in St John Paul II Centre: 25th February (Parents Session running alongside the children's session), 11th March, 25th March (Parents Session running alongside the children's session), 22nd April.

MASS INTENTIONS: My sincere thanks to those who continue to have Masses offered for families and loved ones. We are currently very short of Mass intentions, so please continue to request. Mass envelopes are available from the back of the Church/ Piety Shop or Parish Office.

CAKE & PRODUCE SALE AFTER MASS: This Sunday, after 9 am & 11 am Masses. Do you have any unwanted new gifts, nearly new items which are saleable? Please support generously. All funds will be used for Jubilee celebrations.

Syria-Turkey Earthquake Appeal: This weekend's 2nd collection will be towards our support to the work of the Aid to the Church in Need and CAFOD for the people of Turkey and Syrian earthquake victims.

PARISH COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Finance Council - On Monday 27th February at 7pm
Jubilee Volunteer Group - Wednesday 1st March at 7pm

THE SEASON OF LENT: Lent is ordered to preparing for the celebration of Easter, since the Lenten liturgy prepares for the celebration of the Pascal Mystery both Catechumens, various stages of Christian initiation, & the faithful, who recall their own baptism and do penance. Forty days of Lent run from Ash Wednesday up to but excluding the Mass of the Lord's Supper.



Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, which is observed everywhere as a fast day. The faithful receive the ashes, thus entering into the time established for the purification of their souls. The sign of penance, a traditionally biblical one, has been preserved among the Church's custom until the present day.

Devotional exercises that harmonise with the Lenten Season are to be encouraged, such as "Stations of the Cross". So every Friday during Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at 7pm in Church. **Early Mass** at School every Thursday in Lent at 8am. All welcome.

HETHE: Mondays: Mass at 9.30am followed by Bible Study video in St Philip's Hall. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays: Mid-week Stations of the Cross at 10.00am

TIME TO PRAY WITH THE EUCHARISTIC LORD

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday 4th March from 2pm-3.45pm, followed by Mass at 4pm - **Hethe**
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 17th March from 10am - 6.35pm - **Bicester** (12 Noon - Mass & 7pm - Stations of the Cross) All are invited.

Teams for	19/2	26/2	5/3	12/3	19/3
Children lit. (4)	None Half term	1	2	3	4
Coffee 9am (11)	7	8	9	10	11
Coffee 11am (7)	3	4	5	6	7
Flowers	Sandy	None	None	None	None

Banbury & Warwick Deanery: Last year a decision was made by the archdiocese that the following parishes to be part of the Banbury & Warwick deanery: Baddesley Linton; Balsl Common; Banbury (2); Bicester; Brailes; Charlbury; Chipping Norton; Hampton -On-The Hill; Hethe; Kington; Kenilworth (2); Leamington Spa; Lillington; Princethorpe; Rugby; Rugby - Bilton; Rugby- Hamilton; Shipston on Stour; Shottery; Southam; Stratford -Upon-Avon; Wappenbury; Warwick; Whitnash; Wooton Wawen & Wroxton.

Dean: **Canon John Batthula**; Vice Dean: **Fr John Peyton** (Banbury Cluster) Vice Dean: **Fr. Patrick Mileham** (Warwick Cluster)
Banbury Cluster Vocations Evening: On Monday 20th March at St John's Church. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 6pm to 6.50pm, followed by concelebrated Mass at 7pm. All clergy and parishioners are invited. Please come along and pray for vocations.

SYMPATHY Please pray for the repose of the souls of **William McDermott:** William's body will be received into Church on Thursday 2nd March at 6.30pm and the Requiem Mass is on Friday, 3rd March at 11 am, followed by *May he rest in peace.*
Cio Kisack: We express our condolences and offer our prayers to the family. Funeral details to be follow. *May he rest in peace.*

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES MAY 2023: Parish pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from the 25th to 31st May 2023. Half board £789 per person sharing a room. Single rooms are an extra £247 with limited availability. The flight will be from London Stansted to Lourdes. Booking forms can be obtained from Piety shop or Parish Office, alternatively online via All Saints. If you need more information, please get in touch with me. Online booking: www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/LD0803

HOLY LAND NOVEMBER 2023: 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. Booking forms can be obtained from the Piety Shop or Parish Office. Alternatively you can book online: <https://www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/HL0801>

Coach transfers from church to airports have yet to be decided upon and will incur extra costs.

Dates to remember

18th March 2023: Sacrament of Confirmations Mass at 6 pm
23rd March 2023: Diamond Jubilee Celebrations @ 7pm
13th May: First Holy Communions (For non St Mary's) 11 am
PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED DUE TO THE KINGS CORONATION ON 6/5/23
20th May : First Holy Communions (For St Mary's) 11 am



PARISH GIVING

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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 porch.

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Financial Information

SECOND COLLECTIONS - MARCH

18th/19th: For Turkey/Syria Victims
25th/26th Parishes Maintenance

Church	First Collection	Second Collection	Standing Orders	Tap & Go For Parish	Mass Attendance
Bicester	£385.90	£416.10 + £ 225	£1185	£155	407
Hethe	£40	£50	£186		27



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