



The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

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Year of Family



Fifth Sunday of Lent B
21st March 2021 Psalter 1

Year of St Joseph



YEAR OF ST JOSEPH
2020 - 8TH DECEMBER - 2021

MARCH	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	STEWARDS
SAT 20TH	6.00 PM	Bill & Kitty Hornby & Angela Nelson (RIP)	5th Sunday of Sunday of Lent	P Sims/C McArdle	Mr & Mrs McFall
SUN 21ST	8.00 AM @Hethe	Josephine Schicker (RIP)		R Deane	R Dean & S Wilde
	9.30 AM	People of the Parish		S Taylor	L & C Cleeve
	11.00 AM	Fr. Burton Whitehead (RIP)		T Lane	Kokore Family
	4.00 PM @Hethe	ROSARY			R Deane & S Wilde
MON 22ND	9.30 AM	William & Gillian's 'new business venture'	Lent Feria	M Daniel	L Cleeve & P Sims
	6.30 PM	PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING			Zoom Platform
TUE 23RD	9.30 AM	Kerton's family & Grandchildren exams.	Lent Feria		R & R Deane
WED 24TH	9.30 AM	Terence Thompson (RIP)	Lent Feria		L & C Cleeve
	6.30 PM—7.30PM	LENTEN TALK 5	"Trinitarian Doctrine"		Zoom Platform
THUR 25TH	9.30 AM	Martin Mellett (RIP)	<i>Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord</i>		Kokore family
FRI 26TH	12 NOON	Marie & Peter Murowski (RIP)	Lent Feria	E King	Sisters
	4.00 PM @Hethe	STATIONS OF THE CROSS			R Deane & S Wilde
	6.00 PM	STATIONS OF THE CROSS			Sisters
SAT 27TH	10.30AM -11.30AM	CONFESSIONS	Lent Feria		
	6.00 PM	Noah Jose Varghese - Blessings	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	Mr & Mrs McFall	McArdle Family
SUN 28TH	8.00 AM @ HETHE	Melanie Mulhernan (RIP)		D McDermott	R Deane & S Wilde
	9.30 AM	People of the Parish		A Kirby-Hall	C St John/B Nichols
	11.00 AM	Deceased Swanson Family members		E King	A Poole & J Marshall
	4.00 PM@ Hethe	ROSARY			R Deane & S Wilde



BAPTISMS: Please contact the Parish Office through email or phone to make necessary arrangements.
CONFESSIONS: Every Saturday from 10.30 am to 11.30 am. (Masks compulsory)
HOLY HOUR: Every First Friday from 6.00pm to 7.00pm (not during Lent & Advent)
WEDDINGS: Please contact the Parish Office through email or phone to make necessary arrangements.
ROSARY: During weekdays 25 minutes before Mass starts.



Pope's Prayer Intention for March: Sacrament of Reconciliation

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.



This week we pray for...
 Alfred Smith RIP - SANCTUARY LIGHT
 Hurst & Stanbridge families (RIP) - OUR LADY'S LIGHT



THE SEASON OF LENT

TALKS VIA THE ZOOM PLATFORM BY FR ROBERT CAREY

During Lent on "The formation of Trinitarian Doctrine in the 4th Century." on Wednesdays 24th March. 6.30pm-7.30pm.

Topic: Lenten Talk Five Tuesday 24th March.

To join Zoom meeting click on link:

[https://zoom.us/j/99559860202?](https://zoom.us/j/99559860202?pwd=ekVjL29wZ2NHSFFvd2s1S1QrMmpjZz09)

[pwd=ekVjL29wZ2NHSFFvd2s1S1QrMmpjZz09](https://zoom.us/j/99559860202?pwd=ekVjL29wZ2NHSFFvd2s1S1QrMmpjZz09)

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 995 5986 0202 Passcode: 448314

Notes on last week's talk can be found under Parish News on our website.

During the Easter Season on "Christology—The Person of Christ."

On Wednesdays April 21st, 28th, May 5th, 12th and 19th. From 6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.

REQUEST To speed up entry into church for Mass please bring along a slip of paper with your name and contact number and place it in the container provided in the entrance.

Alternatively if you have a smart phone, register by using the **NHS TRACK AND TRACE** QR Code which is displayed on the notice boards in the entrance. This applies to both churches.

Please speak to a steward if you cannot do either of the above. Stewards will continue to assist until further notice. As we enter a gradual relaxing of restrictions may we still remind you: **Not to come** if symptomatic or self-isolating. That **masks are** compulsory. **To observe** social distancing at all times, and tempting as it is, you must not mingle with anyone outside of your household or support bubble when you attend Mass.

Please refer to the bulletin for our Mass times if you are able to attend. We are grateful to all of you who faithfully comply with the Governments regulations and we must continue to do all we can to keep everybody safe in church.

APF/MISION BOXES Now is the time to please empty your boxes and deliver your donations to the piety shop or parish office. Thanks.

CONFIRMATIONS: Will take place on Saturday, 24th April at 11am & Saturday, 1st May at 11 am. Due to restrictions there are limits on numbers attending, therefore each family will be given 6 tickets, this number to include the candidate & Sponsor. Contact details of all family members and guests attending will be required 10 days before the actual date. School will contact you with more information, so please do not contact the school and the same with all non St Mary's, Mrs Clare St John will contact you.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: First Holy Communions will take place on Saturdays 15th & 22nd May at 11am. Due to restrictions there are limits on numbers attending, therefore each family will be given 6 tickets, this number to include the candidate. Contact details of all family members and guests attending will be required 10 days before the actual date. School will contact you with more information, so please do not contact the school and the same with all non St Mary's, Mrs Clare St John will contact you. Please keep all children wishing to prepare for these sacraments in your daily prayers.

PASTORAL COUNCILS: Pastoral Council Meeting will take place on Zoom on Monday, 22nd March at 6.30pm. Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82448202134> Meeting ID: 824 4820 2134

MARKET STALL: Jackie Flynn is organising a stall on Sheep Street on Friday, 23rd April to raise funds for the Parish.

THIS SUNDAY: This Sunday there will be Cake and Goods sale outside the Church to raise funds for the Parish. Hope that all of you will support generously. Thanks to Jackie & Les.

NEW FINANCIAL YEAR : If you Gift Aid your contributions to the church and have changed your address in the last year, please contact the Parish Office with your new details so we can update our records.

Anyone wishing to Gift Aid please let us know and we will forward a form to you. For every £1 you donate we will receive 25p extra if you pay tax. All you need to do is sign a form, we do the rest.

From the new financial year in April we will no longer be providing Gift Aid envelopes, we would like to encourage everyone who currently uses envelopes to set up standing orders. Whether you are able to Gift Aid or not you can set up a Standing Order or transfer by BACS using these details: NatWest Bank. Account No: 02342731; Sort Code: 51 70 15.

Offering Envelopes will to be provided to all parishioners via the bulletin for Easter Sunday and Christmas Day collections as these will continue to be our traditional offerings to our Parish Priests.

CENSUS DAY IS MARCH 21 For more information, visit [census.gov.uk](https://www.census.gov.uk).

100 CLUB: Renewals for the next 12 months are due from 1 April with the first draw in the new financial year taking place on Sunday, 25 April. The annual fee remains at £60, payable in full by cheque or monthly standing order. In the coming year there will once again be three monthly prizes; £100, £50 and £25 and a £100 Christmas bonus in December. Payments can be made online using the reference '100 Club' with your name, by cheque with '100 Club' on the back or by cash in an envelope with your name and '100 Club' written on it posted through the Henley House door. If you would like your payment collected, please call Paul Cousins (01869 242838) or Tim Lane (01869 277523). If you currently pay by Standing Order no further action is necessary. With sincere thanks for your support, both in the past and in future. My sincere thanks to Tim Lane and Paul Cousins.

PALM SUNDAY - 28th March: Due to covid restrictions we will not be able to hold our usual procession from the convent. Mass will take place as normal in church. Blessed palms will be available at the end of Masses as you exit the church.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE & CONFESSIONS: On Monday 29th March at 7.00pm. Visiting priest will be available.

Ways you can financially support your parish: Join the 100 club £5 a month; Set up a regular Standing Order; Gift Aid any of your donations; Sponsor a Sanctuary lamp £10; Buy a Commemorative brick £250; Purchase from the Piety shop

EASTER OFFERINGS: All offertory collections at Easter Vigil & Easter Sunday Masses is your traditional gift to the priests of the parish. Please use the special envelopes. In advance, Father Robert and I, would like to thank you all for your generosity.

EASTER TRIDUUM 2021

Maundy Thursday 1st April

6.30 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper (B - full)

Good Friday, 2nd April

12 Noon: Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

3.00pm - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (B - full)

Hethe - few places are available

6.00pm- Stations of the Cross - Multilingual (B)

Holy Saturday, 3rd April

Blessing of Food at 1pm & 2pm (B)

6.30pm - Easter Vigil Mass (B)

Easter Sunday, 4th April

8.00 am Mass at Bicester & Hethe

9.30 am, 11.00 am & 12.30pm at Bicester

To reserve places please email or telephone the Parish Office for Masses in Bicester and contact *Breff Kelly* on 01280 702500 for reservation requests for *Hethe*. Please do not contact me on my mobile/messenger to reserve places for Masses.

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.



Church	Loose	Gift Aid	2nd C	Total	Donations	Attended
Bicester	£243.14	£77.80	£62.21	£383.15		185
Hethe	£30.00	DD £165		£195		12

PARISH GIVING: The best way you can support the parish financially is by setting up a Standing Order using the following bank details:

NatWest Bank. Account No: 02342731; Sort Code: 51 70 15.

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

Go the website and follow link

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