



The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

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Holy Trinity Hethe

Archbishop: **The Most Rev Bernard Longley**

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

21st January – 29th January 2023 Psalter 3

Pope's Prayer Intention for educators: We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.



| JANUARY | TIME | INTENTIONS | FEASTS | LECTORS | STEWARDS |
|------------------|----------------------|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| SAT 21st | Hethe 4.00 pm | People of the Parish | | B Kelly/ R Deane | S Wilde/R Deane |
| | 6.00 pm | People of the Parish | 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | B & K McFall | M Marrs/P Behan |
| SUN 22nd | 9.00 am | James Day (RIP) | | A Kirby Hall/P Cousins | C St John |
| | 11.00 am | Ints of Edward Kerton (A Levels & future) | | H King/ T Lane | J & M Franta |
| MON 23rd | 9.30 pm | Service of the Word with Holy Communion | Feria in Ordinary Time | Volunteer | |
| TUE 24th | 9.30 am | Service of the Word with Holy Communion | Mem of St Francis de Sales, B, Dr | J Kokore | |
| WED 25th | 9.30 am | Service of the Word with Holy Communion | Feast of the Conversion of St Paul, A | L Cleeve | |
| | 7.30pm | Grow Your Faith—St John Paul II Centre | Mem of Ss Timothy & Titus, B | | |
| THUR 26th | 9.30 am | Private Intention | Feria in Ordinary Time | H King | |
| FRI 27th | 12 noon | Basilisa & Bartholame, Sheila O'Hare, Ivy Murray (RIP) | Feria in Ordinary Time | M Daniel | |
| SAT 28th | Hethe 4.00 pm | Dec. members of Friends of Holy Souls | Mem of St Thomas Aquinas, P, Dr | B Kelly/ R Deane | S Wilde/R Deane |
| | 6.00 pm | People of the Parish | 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Sr Sani/Sr Anu | B & K McFall |
| SUN 29th | 9.00 am | Mary Gilmore (RIP) 2nd Anniversary | | S Joseph/R Silvy | L & C Cleeve |
| | 11.00 am | Olivia Fitzpatrick (RIP) | | I Ziegart/T Lane | A & E Orleans |

THE ARCHBISHOP'S PASTORAL LETTER FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 21 /22 JANUARY 2023 WILL BE READ OUT AT ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND AND IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE.



The Crib collection this year will go towards: St Chad's Sanctuary. <http://www.stchadssanctuary.com/>
The collection will end on 2nd February. Please place donations into the casket in church entrance. *Please give generously.*

SPONSORING SANCTUARY LAMPS

These lamps burn perpetually on the sanctuary (Blessed Sacrament) and in the Lady Chapel. £10 per week.
Forms available from the Welcomers table.



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.

EAST TIMOR COMMUNITY PRAYER: First Sunday of the month at 5.00pm @ Ursuline Convent



This week we pray for...
SANCTUARY LIGHT:
OUR LADY'S LIGHT:



SYMPATHY Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Maria Stonell** who died on Sunday 8th January 2023 at Heathfield House Nursing Home aged 86 years. A Requiem Mass for Maria will take place on Friday, 10th February 2023 at 11am followed by cremation at North Oxfordshire Crematorium. *May she rest in peace.*

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

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

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY SERVICE Sunday 22nd January 2023 at 7pm. The 18th to the 25th of January is the week of prayer for Christian unity this year. This will conclude with a Christian Unity Service at Emanuel CE Church, Bure Park, Bicester. We will focus on praying for the needs of our town and the world, and hear about the work of the food bank and other Christian Charities in the town supporting the cost of living crisis and refugees. This will be a great opportunity for us to pray together. Please do come. Further details available from Deacon Nick.

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO GROW YOUR FAITH Learn more about Jesus. Find answers to questions, simple or difficult. Maybe its a case of 'I was just wondering', or is it 'My life's experiences don't reflect the church's teaching, why not?' Do all the items in church have a significant meaning? Come and share your questions and experience with us this coming **Wednesday 25th January 7-30pm** in the St John Paul II Centre. Very informal and all welcome, Catholics and non-Catholics.

HOLY COMMUNION SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Children/Parent Sessions Saturday 9-10am in St John Paul II Centre: 21st January, 28th January, 25th February (Parents Session running alongside the children's session), 11th March, 25th March (Parents Session running alongside the children's session), 22nd April.

CONFIRMATION SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

21st January 2023 (Parents Session running alongside the children's session). 4th February Retreat Day with St Mary's Catholic Primary School. **It is essential for children to attend all the sessions in order to receive the sacraments.**

COFFEE MORNING First one of the year will take place on Friday, 3rd February, 10am-11.45am. Looking forward to seeing you all! Future ones: March 3rd & April 14th.

PIETY SHOP SALE All items on the table **half price**: Christmas gifts, cards and more! Special offer during the month of February: CTS booklets: buy on get one free.

YOUTH PROGRAMME VOLUNTEERS We have built up a great team of volunteers for re-launching the youth programme. However for safeguarding reasons we do need a few more men. The more we have, the more we can ensure that the commitment is manageable. No previous experience is needed, and you will be part of a supportive team. If you would like to have a discussion about what is involved, please speak to Deacon Nick.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT COURSE by Marriage Encounter England and Wales. 3-5 March 2023 at The Campanile Hotel, Great Western Way, Delta Business Park, Swindon, SN5 7XG. The marriage enrichment course offers a unique opportunity for couples to rekindle their relationships and focus on what is important to them. Our experience helped us to understand each other more and reminded us that we had made a sacramental marriage in front of our families and God. The Marriage Encounter course also helped us with our relationships with our children. For us our experience was a gift from God. For further information and to book an experience to <https://wwme.org.uk>

CAFOD The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, are looking for people to give some time and join them in their mission. Could you help in our parish, bringing people together to help build a better world or by visiting local schools? Or raise a voice and campaign for justice or perhaps speak for CAFOD throughout the diocese? Could you support local volunteers or share your office skills to help CAFOD keep costs low? Training and support is provided. See cafod.org.uk/Volunteer for more information or get in touch with birmingham@cafod.org.uk

BLESSED GEORGE NAPIER CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM VACANCY: Assistant Head, Behaviour and Inclusion. Commencing September 2023 For further details and to apply visit: www.bgn.oxon.sch.uk

FUNDRAISER: Rags for Cash If you have any unwanted clothes, shoes, towels, bedding or curtains please take a Bag for School bag from the Welcomers or back of church to fill and return to the back of church (open daily until 4pm) or to the Ukrainian Clothing Centre, Unit 1 McKay Estate, Station Approach, Bicester, OX26 6BF. Mon-Tue 10-12noon, Thu/Fri 10-2pm, Sat 2-4pm by February 20th. If you have lots, strong black bin liners can also be used. Funds raised will be divided between parish funds and Bicester Ukrainian Community Support. Thank you in advance.

CAN YOU VOLUNTEER You would probably agree that our church always looks clean and well polished?? This is down to a few dedicated teams of cleaners that faithfully come to clean. We always need more volunteers to add to the teams. If you can spare a few hours every 6 weeks please contact the Parish Office.

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

- 11th February: Baptism Course 10am
- 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

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 porch.

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Financial Information

SECOND COLLECTIONS - JANUARY

21st/22nd Survive Miva Appeal
28th & 29th - Parish Maintenance



| Church | First Collection | Second Collection | Standing Orders | Tap & Go For Parish | Mass Attendance |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Bicester | £304.66 | £153.13 | £1185 | £165 | 398 |
| Hethe | £40 | | £186 | | 21 |



We use live streaming Go to the website and/or follow this link <https://mcnmedia.tv/iframe/e8896647923e089406131a3b96e45994de4a89c4>

| Teams for | 22/1 | 29/1 | 5/2 | 12/2 |
|-------------------|-------|------|------|----------------|
| Children lit. (4) | 2 | 3 | 4 | None Half term |
| Coffee 9am (11) | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Coffee 11am (7) | 6 | 7 | 1 | 2 |
| Flowers | Anita | Anne | Anne | Sandy |