



The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

And Holy Trinity @HETHE

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21st Sunday in ordinary time (A)
23rd August 2020

The Mass: Structure and Meaning (Source: USCCB)

Liturgy of the Eucharist: The Liturgy of the Eucharist begins with the preparation of the gifts and the altar. As the ministers prepare the altar, representatives of the people bring forward the bread and wine that will become the Body and Blood of Christ. The celebrant blesses and praises God for these gifts and places them on the altar. In addition to the bread and wine, monetary gifts for the support of the Church and the care of the poor may be brought forward.

After the gifts and altar are prepared, the Eucharistic Prayer begins. This prayer of thanksgiving is the heart of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. In this prayer, the celebrant acts in the person of Christ as head of his body, the Church. He gathers not only the bread and the wine, but the substance of our lives and joins them to Christ's perfect sacrifice, offering them to the Father.

After a brief introductory dialogue, the celebrant begins the Preface. The Preface tells of the wonderful actions of God, both throughout history and in our lives, giving thanks to God for all these things. The Preface concludes with the *Sanctus* in which the whole assembly joins the song of the angels giving praise to the Father in heaven (cf. Is 6:3).

The next major part of the Eucharistic Prayer is the *epiclesis*. In the *epiclesis*, the priest asks the Father to send the Holy Spirit on the gifts of bread and wine so that, through the power of

the Spirit, they may become the Body and Blood of Christ. This same Spirit will transform those attending the liturgy that they may grow in their unity with each other, with the whole Church, and with Christ.

The prayer continues with the institution narrative and consecration. This part of the prayer recalls the action of Jesus Christ on the night before his death. He gathered with his closest disciples to share a final meal. In the course of this meal, he took the simple bread and wine, blessed them, and gave them to his friends as his Body and Blood. In our Eucharistic celebration, through the words of the priest and the action of the Holy Spirit, simple bread and wine once again become the Body and Blood of Christ. (to be continued)

God bless you
Canon John Y Batthula
Parish Priest & Dean

Dean of Banbury Deanery & Parish Priest:
Very Rev. Canon John Y Batthula BA, MA, Dip. Cat., MA Ed
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AUGUST	TIME	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION & HOLY TRINITY	
SATURDAY 22ND	10.00 AM at HT Hethe		21st Sunday in ordinary time
	6.00 PM IC	People of God	
SUNDAY 23RD	9.30 PM IC	Thanksgiving - Ollie Hartley & Chris Hartley	
	11.00 AM IC	Peter & Marie Murowski (RIP)	
	6.00 PM IC		
MONDAY 24TH	9.30 AM IC		Feast of St Bartholomew Ap
TUESDAY 25TH	9.30 AM IC	Colette Logan (RIP)	Feria
	2.00 PM	Divine Mercy Devotions	In Father Foynes Memorial Garden
	7.00 PM	Rosary - Zoom Platform	
WEDNESDAY 26TH	9.30 AM IC	Eamon Walsh (RIP)	Feast of Blessed Dominic Barberi P R
THURSDAY 27TH	9.30 AM IC	Intentions of Ashwin & Renee	Memorial of St Monica
	7.00 PM	Scripture Group meets—ZOOM Platform	
FRIDAY 28TH	10 AM IC	REQUIEM MASS OF MARTIN MALINS (RIP)	Memorial of St Augustine, BD
SATURDAY 29TH	10.00 AM at HT Hethe	People of God	Memorial of the Beheading of St John the Baptist
	6.00 PM IC		22nd Sunday in ordinary time
SUNDAY 30TH	9.30 AM IC	Wilson Varghese (RIP) 1st anniversary	
	11.00 AM IC	People of God	
	6.00 PM IC		

PARISH GIVING A BIG "THANK YOU" to all who have signed up to new Standing Orders (Direct Debit). Donations can also be made online to either of our two parishes through the Archdiocesan Website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/support-our-work. Select either "BICESTER" or "HETHE" on the dropdown menu and follow instructions. Alternatively, use your Offertory Envelopes each week. These can be placed in the donation box in church, or, if you would like to sign up for Standing Order, use the following details: NatWest Bank, Account No: 02342731; Sort Code: 51 70 15. Standing order forms can also be downloaded from the diocesan website above and then posted to me, Canon John Batthula, Henley House, 12 Causeway, Bicester OX26 6AW.

CONFIRMATIONS AT HETHE: Will be taking place on Saturday, 19th September 2020 at 12 Noon. His Lordship, Bishop William will be the principle celebrant.



CONGRATULATIONS: I would like to congratulate children who are making their First Holy Communion over the next few weeks.

PIETY SHOP: First Holy Communion cards, prayer books and other souvenirs. Although currently closed, orders can be placed via email to the parish office and collected and paid for at Mass times or by arrangement.

JACKIE FLYNN: I would like to express my sincere thanks to Jackie Flynn for organising Market Stall during this difficult time to raise funds for the parish. I also would like to thank those who supported/assisted Jackie on the day.

COLLECTING CONTACT DETAILS OF THOSE WHO COME TO CHURCH FOR NHS TRACK AND TRACE: Following government advice we now have to request a contact phone number from all those attending Mass, this is in case we need to trace you to inform you of a virus risk. These details will be kept for a period of 21 days, then destroyed. If you do not wish to provide your phone number, you will still be able to attend Mass, but we will still require details of your name.

GUIDELINES FOR STEWARDS

Please arrive half an hour before Mass commences to prepare and allow time afterwards to assist in vacating church of parishioners and sanitising all touched areas.

Please close the main doors after sign of peace.

Always observe the one way system, entrance is via Main doors, exit via side door via Memorial Garden.

Assist with managing procession for Holy Communion

Direct visitors to assigned seats/seating areas. Same households and bubbles are allowed to be seated together. Remember to give our Parish newsletter and remind them that they can place their offering/donation into the casket at the entrance or the exit. No one should be allowed to stand at the back of the Church.

GUIDELINES FOR PARISHIONERS Please make sure that you follow the instructions of the stewards and all signage that is in place. If you arrive for Mass and you do not have a face covering you will not be allowed entrance (unless you are asthmatic or under 5). The celebrant will be obliged to stop mass if this obligation is ignored. Please be aware that the Church will be closed after each Mass **and there are no toilet facilities available.** Offerings can be placed in the casket/collection box at the entrance or exit.

We provide a separate Lectern for the reader. All Lectors please sanitize your hands before and after.

The Celebrant will not wear a face covering until it is time for the distribution of Holy Communion, but they will at that point.

Stewards will guide people forward for Holy Communion or a blessing. We would also like to remind people that their mask must cover their mouth and nose at all times, except to place the Eucharist/Holy Communion in your mouth. (On approach remove face covering, stretch out hands, receive Holy Communion, move across, consume, re-apply face covering and return to place.)

Do not congregate either inside or outside of church before or at the end of Mass. Please maintain silence before and after Mass. The social distance of 1m Plus must be observed at all times, including before and after Mass.

MASS AT HETHE IS ON SATURDAY'S AT 10 AM.

If you would like to go for Mass at Holy Trinity, please contact Breff Kelly on 01280 702 500 or email him: breffkelly@gmail.com

Please place your offering in the basket as you leave the Church through the Sacristy Door.

RISE & STRIDE SATURDAY, 12TH SEPT: Every year Ride & Stride raises money for the maintenance of north Oxford's historic churches. Participants ride or walk to as many of the participating churches as they can, earning sponsorship for each one they visit (or else take part in some other sponsored activity). We already have a team of volunteers recruited as 'welcomers' to greet and 'sign in' participants as they arrive at Holy Trinity throughout the day. Now we need some fit and active parishioners to sign up for riding and striding and many generous parishioners to sponsor them. Michael Manetta will be riding gently around the environs of Hardwick, Cottisford and Fringford and Kevin D'Silva will be playing cricket in nearby Buckingham and seeks sponsorship for every run he makes. You can also sponsor the 'welcomers' for every hour they are on duty. So please sponsor them all and help make this a record year despite the present difficult circumstances.

More on Ride & Stride. We are looking for a 'gazebo' to be located in the front car park at Hethe on 12th Sept to provide shelter and a focal point. If you can provide one for the day please phone Breff Kelly on 01280 702500.

MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AS STEWARDS AT ALL MASSES:

It's not too late to volunteer to help with stewarding at Mass. We need more Volunteers for Stewarding and cleaning the Church everyday after mass, especially at the weekend masses. Please get in touch with me if you would like to help us.

SEASON OF CREATION: Starts from 1st September to 10th October. Please say a prayer for the Creation and be mindful of our environment. (www.catholicclimatemovement.global)

SYMPATHY We extend our very deepest sympathy and the assurance of our prayers to the family of Martin Malins who passed away, aged 50 years. A Funeral Mass for Martin, will be take place on Friday, 28th August at 10am here in our Church followed by cremation at Banbury Crematorium at 12 noon. May he rest in peace. Pray for all those who have died and for all who mourn.

Prayer for the "Year of the Word"

Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures. Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears and shows us how to live for one another. Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. *Amen*

V. Your word is our path and your truth is our light.

R. This day and every day.

Our Lady of the Annunciation - Pray for us

St Matthew - Pray for us

St Jerome - Pray for us

Lectors	23/8	30/8
Saturday 6pm	P Simms	M Odaro
Sunday 9.30am	S McCarthy	L Taylor
Sunday 11am	T Lane	T Lane
Sunday 6pm	H King	H King



Church	Loose	Gift Aid	Total	Donation	People attended
Bicester	£ 281.47	£ 54	£ 335.47	£ 260	208
Hethe	£ 22				12

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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