



The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

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Banbury & Warwick Deanery website: <https://warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk>

The Parishes of the Immaculate Conception & Holy Trinity are part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No: 234216



Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays - Year 1
Week beginning of 24th September - 1st October 2023 Psalter 1
 Pope's Prayer Intention for September: We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhuman life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions & never considered of lesser importance.



SEPTEMBER	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTERS	STEWARDS
SAT 23rd	4pm@ Hethe		25th Sunday OT	B Kelly/ R Deane		
Vigil Mass	6.00 pm	In Thanksgiving to St Joseph of Cupertino (good results)		R John/Sr Anu	O Panejko/Sr Rose	M Marrs/P Behan
SUN 24th	9.00 am	Mark MacKenzie (RIP)		M Brown/E Penhallow	P Capretta/M Brown	Volunteers
	11.00 am	People of the Parish followed by Shared International Lunch	International Mass	C Tett/T Lane	J Kokore/ D Jimerez	Jimenez Family
MON 25th	9.30am Hethe	For Vocations to the Priesthood	Day of Prayer	Richard Deane		
	10 am to 3.30pm @ Holy Trinity Hethe	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Silent Prayer, Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet Benediction	Feria in Ordinary Time			Refreshments available in St Philip's Hall
MON 25th	7.00 pm	Sacramental Preparation - Enrolment Meeting	Registration 2024	St John Paul II Centre		
TUE 26th	9.30am	Janes McDonagh (RIP) 6th Anniversary	Feria in Ordinary Time	M Daniel	Frankie	
WED 27th	9.30am(Chu)	Birthday - Thanksgiving - Maricel Franta Margaret Turner (RIP)	Mem of St Vincent de Paul P	School Pupils		
THU 28th	9.30 am	Patricia Manley (RIP) & Timaru John (RIP) 1st Anniversary	Feria in Ordinary Time	H King	Jackie K	
	7.00 pm	"THE CHOSEN" 4th Episode				St J P II Centre
FRI 29th	12 noon	Denis John Cashman (RIP) 17th Anniversary	<i>Feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels</i>	E King	Sr Anu	
SAT 30th	11.00 am	Baptism of Sadie Celine McKenzie	Memorial of St Jerome P,D			
	4pm@ Hethe	People of the Parish	26th Sunday OT	B Kelly/ R Deane		
Vigil Mass	6.00 pm	Walenty Nowak (RIP)		Sr Rose	P Sims	B & K McFall
SUN 1st	9.00 am	Rose McKeon (RIP)		P Cousins	S McCarthy	Andrade Family
October	11.00 am	Margaret Hanna (RIP) Thanksgiving - Maricel Franta		S Joseph	R Silvy	Orleans Family

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
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"Our Vision is to be a Catholic diocese which is faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ, full of missionary disciples who work together co-responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour."

This week we pray for...
SANCTUARY LIGHT: Peter Flynn (RIP)
OUR LADY'S LIGHT: J Flynn - For recovery

Parish Office: (Monday - Fridays 8.45am – 4.00pm)
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Teams for	24/9	1/10	8/10	16/10	24/10	31/10
Children lit. (4)	none	1	2	none	3	4
Coffee 9am (10)	7	8	9	10	1	2
Coffee 11am (9)5	1	8	9	1	2	3
Flowers	Sandy	Sally	Sally	Anita	Anita	Jo

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Mary Lynch, Victor Francis, K Cashman, Tim Charles, Helena Nowak & Jean McIntosh.

INTERNATIONAL MASS & SHARED LUNCH: The International Mass will take place this Sunday at 11am, followed by a bring and shared lunch. It is always a well attended event and I would like to invite any new parishioners especially to come and join us.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2023-2024: The Enrolment/Information session for Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation will be held on **Monday, 25th September at 7pm** at the St John Paul II Centre. All parents whose children are in Years 3 & 6, either attending St Mary's or any other non Catholic schools, who wish to make their sacraments need to attend this meeting and commit to all the sessions required. Please bring along copies of baptism certificates if you attend a non catholic school. For more information or dates, please visit our parish website, alternatively see our notice board.

BAPTISM COURSE: The next course will be held at 10 am at the St John Paul II Centre on Saturday, 7th October. If you are planning a baptism in the near future you are welcome to come along. Please allow 2 hours and inform the Parish Office if you wish to attend tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk more details: www.immaculate-conception.org.uk under Sacraments.

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 4th episode is on **Thursday, 28th September** at 7pm in St John Paul II Centre. (Next episodes are on 5th; 12th; 19th & 26th October)

YOUTH GROUP: The Youth Group will meet on Monday, 2nd October from 7pm -8:15pm. This will be this year's first Youth Ministry meeting. All Year 5 & 6 children are welcome to join us for an evening of games, friendship and spiritual growth.

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. Under 16's £2. Available from the Parish Office/Piety Shop & Catenian members. Funds to be shared between Parish and Air Ambulance. Bar & snacks will be available.

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COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS: A commemorative brick can be purchased to commemorate or celebrate! It could be for an individual, family, anniversary, business, or purely because you are a parishioner. Please contact Lucia Hattam or complete a form and return to the parish office. Bricks cost £250, payments in five instalments also accepted. The bricks will continue to 'grow up' the wall in the St John Paul II Centre and adorn it for generations to come. *Why not become a part of history of the parish?*

THIS WEEKS 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).

MASS INTENTIONS: 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.

CHURCH CLEANERS we are appealing for more volunteers to come forward to help keep our church clean. There are teams of cleaners and individuals who come in regularly to clean. However, 'more hands make light work'. If you can spare a 2-3 hours a month then please get in touch with the parish office.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: We need more volunteers to come forward to become Extraordinary Ministers. Please speak to me after Mass. It's an honour and a blessing to be an Extraordinary Minister.

CAN YOU HELP? Asylum Welcome will be furnishing 5 Afghan refugee houses in the near future and need the following items: Furniture, including bed frames (not mattresses) bathroom accessories/ towels, kitchen equipment including cutlery, crockery, saucepans, kettle, iron, toaster etc (white goods already supplied). Please note there is **no** requirement for dining tables and chairs but offers of large coffee tables welcome. See Janet Marshall marshall-jm@uwclub.net.



BGN Open Evening 27th September 2023 6.30pm, Open Morning 28th September 2023, 9.30am to 10.30am and Sixth Form Open Evening 15th November 2023 at 6.30pm.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE: Our pilgrimage to the Holy Land will take place from 27th Nov to 4th Dec 2023. Half board £1498 per person sharing a room. Single rooms incur a supplement of £325. Flights from London Luton. You can book online: <https://www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/HL0801>

Dates to remember

September

25th: Enrolment meeting -First Confession/Holy Communion/ Confirmation
25th: Day of Prayer at Hethe from 9.30 am - 4.30pm

October

6th Monthly Coffee Morning
7th Baptism Course 10am-12 noon
15th First Reconciliation Commitment Mass at 9 am
28th Parish & Catenians Joint Quiz Night



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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 Bathhula: 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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Financial Information

SECOND COLLECTIONS

23rd/24th September: Father Hudson Society

30th Sep/1st October: Parish Maintenance

7th/8th October: CAFOD

14th/15th October: Parish Maintenance

Church	First Collection	Second Collection	Standing Orders	Tap & Go Donations	Mass Attendance
Bicester	£441.60	£271.51	£1165	£72	478
Hethe	£30	£15	£170		22

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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