



# The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

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## Feast of the Holy Family C

26th December 2021 Psalter 2

## Month of the Immaculate Conception

DECEMBER	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	STEWARDS
<b>SAT 25TH</b>					
<b>SUN 26TH</b>	<b>9.00 AM@ Hethe</b>	Private Intentions	<b>Feast of The Holy Family</b>		<b>S Wilde/R Deane</b>
	9.00 AM	Trehy Family (RIP)		Evans/S McCarthy	<b>Andrade Family</b>
	11.00 AM	Intentions of Cowley Family		A Kearsley/ M Lawrence	<b>Kokore Family</b>
<b>MON 27TH</b>	<b>9.30 AM Hethe</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>	<b>Feast of St John A, E</b>		<b>R Dean &amp; S Wilde</b>
	11.00 AM	<b>Baptism of Giovanni Atalia</b>			
	12 Noon	Martin Mellett (RIP) 1st Anniversary		M Daniel	<b>P Sims and A Farrell</b>
<b>TUE 28TH</b>	12 Noon	Special Intentions - CJ	Feast of the Holy Innocents M	J Kokore	<b>R &amp; R Deane</b>
<b>WED 29TH</b>	12 Noon	Margaret Stokes (RIP)	Feast of St Thomas Becket BM	Sisters	<b>L &amp; C Cleeve</b>
<b>THUR 30TH</b>	12 Noon	Edward Farrell (RIP)	Octave of the Nativity	H King/A Fitzpatrick	<b>Kokore Family</b>
	3.00 PM	Funeral Service of Daniel Roberto Gallinari (RIP)	North Oxfordshire Crematorium		
<b>FRI 31ST</b>	12.00 Noon	Maureen Neil (RIP) & family	Octave of the Nativity	E King	<b>J Marshall</b>
<b>SAT 1ST</b>	11.00 AM	Thanksgiving - Canon John	<b>Mary Holy Mother of God</b>		<b>Sisters</b>
	<b>4.00PM@Hethe</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>	<b>2nd Secondary after Christmas</b>		<b>S Wilde/R Deane</b>
	6.00PM	Thomas Hattam (RIP)		Sr Sani & Sr Anu	<b>S &amp; M Doherty</b>
<b>SUN 2ND</b>	9.00 AM			S & R Thundathil	<b>St John &amp; Conlon</b>
	11.00 AM	John & Doreen Hackett		R Evans & Ziegart	<b>Poole &amp; Marshall</b>

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:** Every Tuesday at 2.00pm in Church

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

**CONFESSIONS:** Hethe: **Every Saturday from 3.30pm - 3.50 pm (Face covering compulsory) in the Sacristy**

Bicester: **Every Saturday from 5.15 PM - 5.45 PM (Face covering compulsory) in the Confessional**

**HOLY HOUR:** Every First Friday from 6.00pm to 7.00pm (not during Lent)

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

**ROSARY:** During weekdays 25 minutes before Mass starts. Saturday's at 5.35 pm (before Vigil Mass)

**URSULINE LAY ASSOCIATES MEETING & HOLY HOUR:** 2nd Wednesday of every month at 2pm - Ursuline Convent



This week we pray for...  
**Quentin Leonard - SANCTUARY**  
**Maureen Neal - OUR LADY'S LIGHT**



**LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:**

K Cashman, Tim Charles, Joyce Thornley,  
 Mary Ashley, John Dunn & Helena Nowak.



The Crib Collection this year will go towards **Bicester Food Bank**.

The church will remain open on Christmas day until 5pm for those wishing to visit the crib.

**THANK YOU**

I am deeply grateful for the many gifts and cards which have already arrived at the presbytery and thank you for your Christmas offerings.

We are blessed with a very beautiful Christmas here in the parish and the churches are beautifully decorated.

**Thank you**, to everyone who has contributed in any way – musicians, readers, altar servers, stewards, Cleaning teams, flower arrangers etc.

*Fr Pat, Deacons Michael and Nick and Sisters join me in wishing you and your families a very happy & holy Christmas and peaceful New Year.*


*Keep safe.*

**Canon John Batthula**

**COVID—UPDATE** Due to the recent uncertain situation regarding the new covid variant and especially as we approach Christmas, I suggest that we make **mask wearing mandatory** once again. We do not want to be in the position to have to change our plans for our Christmas celebrations and need to do what we can to keep ourselves and others safe. I also continue to respectfully request that no gatherings/chatting etc, take place around mass times within the church and ask that you please vacate the church **promptly** to allow the stewards to sanitise the church immediately after masses. The hand sanitisers continue to be available for all, please remember to sanitise your hands on entry and exit. Lets keep each other safe. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

**2022— Dates to remember**

- Friday, 7th January 2022:** Monthly Coffee morning
- Saturday 5th March 2022:** Sacrament of Confirmation at 6pm
- Saturday 14th May 2022:** First Holy Communions (St Mary's)
- Saturday 21st May:** First Holy Communions (non St Mary's)
- Sunday 19th June 2022:** Eucharistic Procession to Garth Park

 <b>Financial Information</b> <b>SECOND COLLECTIONS</b> 26th Dec—Parish Maintenance 1st/2nd Jan: Parish Maintenance					
Church	Loose £	Second Collection Poor Parishes	Standing Orders	Total	Attended
Bicester	£247.96	£100.50	£1100	£1347.96	310
Hethe	£46	£25	£196	£242	18

**PARISH GIVING**

**BICESTER** <https://portal.mydona.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:**

Sort code: 60-08-40 Acc. No. 75459760. Canon John Y Batthula.

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**HETHE BICESTER**



*God Bless you for your generosity during these difficult times!*



**PRAYER FOR THE DIOCESAN VISION:**



Spirit of God, descend on me this day.

Grant me the Spirit of joy, to lift me,

the Spirit of hope to inspire me,

the Spirit of love to surround me

and the Spirit of truth to enlighten my path.

Holy Spirit, I pray for a new outpouring of your grace, so that I may grow in worship of your name in love of you in my prayer and in my actions towards others.

Come Holy Spirit into my life to guide me.

Strengthen and defend me,

so that I may be drawn ever closer to you.

Help me this day and always

to be a channel of grace in all I say and do

and invite others into relationship with you. Amen

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