

Teams for :	26/7	2/8	9/8	16/8	23/8
Children Liturgy	none	none	none	none	none
Coffee 9am (11)	4	5	6	7	8
Coffee 11am (9)	3	5	4	6	7
Flowers	J & S	Anita	Anita	Jo	Jo

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND
We include those in hospitals, nursing homes and their own homes: Mary Lynch, Jean McIntosh, Gerry Wright, Sonya Drury.
ROSARY: Daily 25 minutes before Mass starts. DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Every Tuesday at 2.00pm in Church with prayer intentions. BAPTISMS/WEDDINGS: Please contact the Parish Office through email or phone. CONFESSIONS: <i>Saturday Bicester: 10.30am-11.30am</i> <i>Hethe: 3.30pm-3.50 pm</i> (Sacristy) URSULINE LAY ASSOCIATION: Every 2nd Wednesday of the month @ 2pm Ursuline Convent. EAST TIMOR COMMUNITY PRAYER: First Sunday of the month at 5.00pm. Various locations. PARISH OUTREACH GROUP: Contact the Office if you need some form of practical help. UKRAINIAN LITURGY Ukrainian Divine Liturgy occasional Sundays. Announced in bulletin. PIETY SHOP: Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday around Masses.

SYMPATHY We send our condolences and assurance of our prayers to the family of John Bartlett. A funeral service for John will be held on Thursday, 6th August at 11am followed by burial at North Oxford Crematorium.

PRAYER FOR PEACE Pope Leo has asked for Prayer for Peace. Please consider praying this intention, before Mass, and in your own homes, with friends, family and individually. Let us offer the Rosary for an end to wars and conflicts, and the effects it is having on the countries involved and for nations to gather together and bring peace.

LECTORS NEEDED More readers at Mass are needed especially for the 6pm Mass. If you are interested and would like to have a go please speak to Fr Craig or email the office.

SANCTUARY LAMPS If you wish to sponsor a sanctuary lamp which perpetually burn in the church please complete a form and deliver to the parish office via clergy/sisters. This can be for deceased family and friends, a loved one, or for a particular intention. The proceeds go towards the costs of the Sacristy. The lamps burn for one week. Cost £10.

MISSIO/APF Please can all mission box holders return the content of their red boxes to the parish office. Empty boxes can be found a the back of church. Thank you for your continued support for the missions.

DONATIONS NEEDED The coffee group are in need of any new/unused gifts that can be sold or used a the coffee mornings. They would also be very grateful for any donations of chocolate, wine, toiletry sets etc. Please deliver to the centre clearly marked Coffee Morning. Do you bake? Could you bake a cake for the next coffee morning? If so please send a message on What's app or email to let us know. Next CM is on Friday, 4th September as the team are having a well deserved break in August.

MASS OFFERINGS Masses are currently available from August and can be booked up until the end of the year. Please complete a Mass Offering envelope for all offerings, and state on envelope if the offering has been made by card. Thank you.

THE 100 CLUB The following numbers are still available: 51, 66, 78, 81, 82, 83, 92, for only a £5 monthly direct debit subscription, forms available at the back of church. ***You have to be in it to win it!** Draw takes place this weekend after the 9am mass. Come and spin the 100 club wheel!*

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED We will be organising a few days of gardening on the church grounds in the next few weeks. If you are willing to help please speak to Fr Craig or contact Lucia at the parish office.



JOIN US ON THE WHATS APP COMMUNITY CATHOLIC BICESTER GROUP FOR TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH PARISH INFORMATION & NEWS. THERE ARE ALSO SEPARATE GROUPS FOR CHURCH GROUPS CREATED WITHIN THE APP. SCAN THE QR CODE AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS.



SACRAMENTAL ENROLMENT SESSION This will take place on Monday, 21st September at 7pm in the St John Paul II Centre for any children wishing to prepare for their First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Dates for the Sacraments 2027

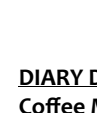
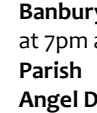
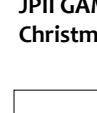
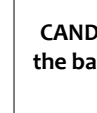
First Reconciliation - Friday, 15th January 2027 at 4pm for St Mary’s children and Saturday, 16th January 2027 at 11am for non - St Mary’s children.

Confirmation Mass - Friday 12th March 2027.

First Holy Communion - Saturday, 15th May 2027 at 11am for all children.

RCIA -Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults If you are wanting to learn more about the Catholic faith or need a refresher in the basics of the faith, have a desire to become a Catholic, or perhaps you are a baptised Catholic but haven't made our First Holy Communion or Confirmation and would like to join the next course, then please speak to Fr Craig and or contact the parish office asap.

BAPTISM COURSE The next Baptism Course will take place on Monday 28th September at 7pm in the JPII Centre. Please contact the office to register.

DIARY DATES 2026:

Coffee Mornings Fridays 4th September, 2nd October at 10am.

Banbury & Warwick Deanery Pastoral Forum: Thursday 27th Aug at 7pm at the JPII.

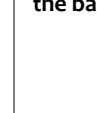
Parish Pastoral Meeting Friday 11th September at 7pm.

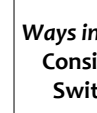
Angel Drive Friday 9th October with fish and chip supper.

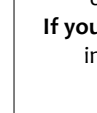
JPII GAMING EVENT Saturday 14th November 11am-4pm.

Christmas Bazaar Sunday 29th November.

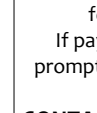


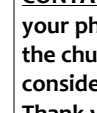














FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CANDLE MONEY Please place money into wall collection box at the back of church near the piety shop. Alternatively pay by card ‘Sanctuary lamps & votives.’

PARISH GIVING

SECOND COLLECTIONS

For July: 26thJuly Parish Maintenance.

Ways in which you can support your parish:

Consider whether you can increase your donation to the parish. **Switch** to giving by way of standing order or direct debit. *This ensures that the parish receives a more regular income.* **If you are a UK taxpayer**, complete a **gift aid** declaration, which in-creases your donation by 25% at no extra cost to you. **Include** a bequest to the parish in your will.

BICESTER LINK TO DONATE:

<https://portal.myдона.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=528>

Contact the Parish Office for account details to set up the following: Weekly offerings/Donations/Payments/100 Club etc
Mass intentions offerings: Complete an offering envelope which can be found at the back of church whether you pay by cash or card. If paying by card use option ‘mass offerings’ & enter surname when prompted. Deliver envelope to Clergy/Sisters or Parish Office. Thank you.

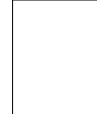
CONTACTLESS You can also donate by scanning the QR code with your phone or by card at the machine in the church porch. If you pay tax, please consider Gift Aiding your donation. Thank you!

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This church live streams Mass and other events.

Parish YouTube ‘Bicester Catholic Church’ Channel

Go to the website or follow this link

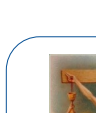
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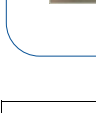
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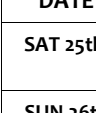
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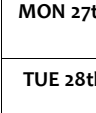


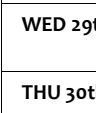














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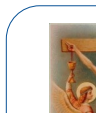
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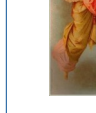
And **Holy Trinity @** Hardwick Rd, HETHE OX27 8AW

Henley House, 12 Causeway, Bicester, OX26 6AW

Parish website: <https://www.immaculate-conception.org.uk>

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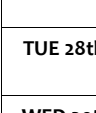


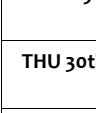


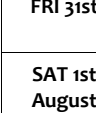












SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays II - 26th July 2026 - Psalter Week 1

The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus

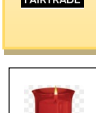
Pope’s Prayer Intention for July - for the respect of Human life. Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising that it is a gift from God.

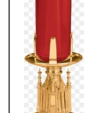
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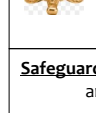
DATE	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTERS	WELCOMERS
SAT 25th	4.00pm HT 6.00pm	Ints of Veronica & David Barnes People of the Parish	<i>Mem of Our Lady</i>	Volunteer K & P Kallay	M Kelly/ B Santiago	S & M Doherty
SUN 26th	9.00am 11.00am	Private Intentions Ints of Fr Aldo Tapparo- Golden Jubilee <i>World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly</i>	17th Sunday in Ordinary time	M Daniel/ L Cleeve S Joseph/ E Green	C St John/ C Drew G Andrade/ U Edwards	C St John/ A Mutton Timorean Community
MON 27th	9.30am HT 12 noon IC	Holy Souls Jerome Stack (RIP)	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	M Daniel		
TUE 28th	9.30am 2.00pm IC	Michael Chng Peng Kah (RIP) Divine Mercy Chaplet	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	L Cleeve		
WED 29th		No Mass	<i>Mem of Ss Martha, Mary & Lazarus</i>			
THU 30th	9.30am 4.00pm	Sheila Clarke (RIP) Reception of Kathleen Cashman (RIP)	<i>Mem of St Peter Chrysologus, B, Dr</i>	H King		
FRI 31st	12 noon	Requiem Mass - Kathleen Cashman (RIP) followed by cremation	<i>Mem of St Ignatius of Loyola, P</i>			
SAT 1st August	10.00am 10.30am-11.30am 4.00pm HT 6.00pm	Jitka Krejcova (RIP) Exposition, Benediction & Confessions People of the Parish Kitty Hornby (RIP)	<i>Mem of St Alphonsus Mary de'Liguari, B. Dr</i>	Volunteer R Rianti	Sr Sani/ Sr Molly	M Marrs/P Behan
SUN 2nd	9.00am 11.00am	In Thanksgiving—Hartley Family Herbert & Andrew Jeanne (RIP)	18th Sunday in Ordinary time	L & R Weaver M Lawrence	J Josh/ A Mutton J Kokore/ C Tah	L & C Cleeve R Elgado & Friends















Tea & Coffee in the JP II Centre after the 9am and 11am

Masses every weekend & once a month on a Friday

throughout the year (not in Aug).

Come along for a chat and meet your fellow parishioners!

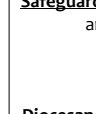
Donations can now be made by card—option ‘Coffee Mornings’

We use Fairtrade / Rainforest Alliance Tea and Coffee!











This week we pray for...

SANCTUARY LIGHT: Felipe Teng (RIP)

OUR LADY’S CHAPEL: Anita Magleo (RIP)

If you wish to sponsor one of the sanctuary lamps which perpetually burn in the Church, please complete and return a slip to the parish office or sisters.

Safeguarding: Both our Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding. Guidance & the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parishes Safeguarding Representatives are:
Elizabeth Green: sg.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk &
Les Cleeve: sg.holytrinity.hethe@rcaob.org.uk
Diocesan Safeguarding Team 0121 2306240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Church	First Collection	Parish Maintenance	Standing Orders	Mass Attendance
Bicester	£ 724.69	£ 195.84	£1122	426
Hethe	£ 75		£165	32

Parish Priest: Father Craig Davies BA (hons) STB fr.craig.davies@rcaob.org.uk

Parish Deacons:

Rev Mr Michael Panejko MA 01869 246 459

Altar Servers: dce.michael.panejko@rcaob.org.uk

Rev Mr Nick St John: 01869 246 787 **Parish Youth:** yth.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

Retired Priest: Rev. Fr. Pat Armstrong

Parish Sisters: Ursuline Convent - Sr Rose Mathew - 01869 327 689

Parish Office/Secretary: Lucia Hattam Wednesday & Friday 9am–4pm

01869 253277 / tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

St John Paul II Centre Bookings: Srs Sani & Molly Monday-Friday 10am-4pm

01869 324 307 / office@johnpaulcentre.co.uk

Gift Aid - Sr Sani Vijayan ga.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

Parish Sacramental Programme - Clare St John psc.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

Go to contacts page on website for parish group contacts.

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon: God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people

First reading1 Kings 3:5-6a, 7-12‘You have asked for yourself understanding.’

In those days: The LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, ‘Ask what I shall give you.’ And Solomon said, ‘O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of David my father, although I am but a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have chosen, a great people, too many to be numbered or counted for multitude. Give your servant, therefore, an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?’

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. And God said to him, ‘Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life, or riches, or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you.’

The word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: O LORD, how I love your law!

Second readingRomans 8:28-30‘He predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son.’

Brothers and Sisters: We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

The word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia.
I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
you have revealed the secrets of the kingdom to little children.
Alleluia.

GospelMatthew 13:44-52‘He sells all that he has and buys that field.’

At that time: Jesus said to the crowd: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.
‘Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.
‘Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into vessels but threw away the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.
‘Have you understood all these things?’ They said to him, ‘Yes.’ And he said to them, ‘Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.’

The Gospel of the Lord
All: Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ

ORDER OF MASS

Priest: In the name of the Father
People: Amen
Priest: The Lord be with you.
People: And with your spirit.

Penitential Act

Everyone: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Gloria (Not used during Advent & Lent)

Priest/Choir: Glory to God in the highest,
Everyone: and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

After the first and second readings

Reader: The Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

Gospel acclamation

Reader: Glory and praise to you O Christ(a few words)
People: Glory and praise to you O Christ

Before the Gospel reading

Priest/Deacon: The Lord be with you.
People: And with your spirit.
Priest/Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to...
People: Glory to you, O Lord.

After the Gospel reading

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

The Nicene Creed

Everyone: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (all bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Bidding Prayers

All: Hear our Prayer or Lord, graciously hear us.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And with your spirit.
Priest: Lift up your hearts. People: We lift them up to the Lord.
Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right and just.

Everyone: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation

Priest: The mystery of faith.

People: ONE OF THESE:

- A We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.
- B When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.
- C Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Doxology

Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.
People: Amen
Priest: At the Saviour’s command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say: Our Father....
Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every
People: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Sign of Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
People: And with your spirit.
Priest/Deacon: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.
To each other: Peace be with you

Lamb of God

People: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (2)
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.
Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, ...

People: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Concluding Rites

Priest: The Lord be with you.
People: And with your spirit
Priest: May almighty God.....
All: Amen
Priest/Deacon: Go forth the Mass is ended.
All: Thanks be to God.