



# The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

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**Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays—Year 1**  
**Week beginning of 27th August - 3rd September 2023 Psalter 1**

Pope's Prayer Intention for August: We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.



AUGUST	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	STEWARDS
<b>SAT 26th</b>	<b>4pm@ Hethe</b>	Wellbeing of Helen McDermott	<b>21st Sunday in Ordinary time</b>	<b>B Kelly/ R Deane</b>	
<b>Vigil Mass</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>	Angus Forsyth Jnr (RIP)		H Henwood	A Mutton
<b>SUN 27th</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	People of the Parish		L & R Weaver	C St John
	<b>11.00 am</b>	Herbert Jeanne (RIP) Wendy Walmsley (RIP)		T Lane	Ursuline Sisters
<b>MON 28th</b>	<b>7.30 am</b>	Private Intentions	Memorial of St Augustine BD	M Daniel	
<b>TUE 29th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Joan Bridle (RIP)	<b>Mem of the Passion of St John the Baptist M</b>	J Kokore	
<b>WED 30th</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	Joy Martin (RIP)	Feria in Ordinary time	L Cleeve	
<b>THU 31st</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>			H King	
<b>FRI 1st</b>	<b>10 - 11.45 am</b>	<b>MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING</b>	Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation	St John Paul II Centre	
September	<b>12 noon</b>	Joyce Thornley (RIP)	Feria in Ordinary time	E King	
	<b>6.00pm - 7.00 pm</b>	<b>HOLY HOUR WITH BENEDICTION</b>			
<b>SAT 2nd</b>	<b>11.00 am</b>	Extraordinary Ministers & Lectors Training			
	<b>12 Noon</b>	1st Anniversary of Chinh Van Tran (RIP)			
	<b>4pm@ Hethe</b>	People of the Parish		<b>B Kelly/ R Deane</b>	
<b>Vigil Mass</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>	Bill & Kitty Hornby & Angela Nelson (RIP)	<b>22nd Sunday in Ordinary time</b>	B & K McFall	M Marrs/P Bevan
<b>SUN 3rd</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	Jakub Drahos (RIP)		A Kirby Hall/P Cousins	Brown Family
	<b>11.00 am</b>	Michael John Roycroft (RIP)		C Tett/I Ziegart	Kokore 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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This week we pray for...  
**SANCTUARY LIGHT:**  
**OUR LADY'S LIGHT:**

**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 on Sunday, 24th Sept 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. If you would like to be involved in the Mass in reading bidding prayers in your native language please speak to me. Please see the noticeboard and add your name and type of dish you can bring.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:** Holy Communion in both kinds will be reintroduced from the 2nd weekend of September. I would therefore, like invite parishioners who wish to be Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to add their name to the list at the back of the Church. Training sessions will be held on Saturday, 2nd September at 11 am & on Monday, 4th September at 7pm.

**LECTORS:** If you are interested in becoming a Lector (we especially need more for the 6pm mass) please come along to the training sessions that will take place for new and existing readers/lectors on Saturday, 2nd Sept at 11 am & Monday, 4th Sept at 7.00pm in Church.

**NEW ALTAR SERVERS AND TRAINING:** Children who have made their First Holy Communion are invited to become altar servers. Please come along to the training session on Saturday, 9th September at 10 am.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** We are currently short of Mass intentions, so please continue to request. Mass envelopes are available from the back of the Church/ Piety Shop or Parish Office.

**DAY OF PRAYER AT HOLY TRINITY, HETHE:** On Monday, 25th September. We start the day with Holy Mass at 9.30 am, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet and we conclude the day with Benediction at 4pm. Throughout the day, refreshments will be available in St Philips Hall. All welcome.

**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.

**COFFEE MORNING.** On Friday, 1st September from 10 am to 11.45 am. In St John Paul II centre. All welcome.

**PIETY SHOP** We currently have a selection of icons and statues, also various greeting cards, rosary beads, incense, CTS booklets and many other items are available. New stock in come and have a browse.

**HIRE OF ST JOHN PAUL CENTRE:** Due to the pressure of increased running costs we have decided to charge non parish charity & community groups for the use of the St John Paul II Centre. Any bookings have to be made via the Centre Office on [office@johnpaulcentre.co.uk](mailto:office@johnpaulcentre.co.uk), **01869 324 307** and to pay accordingly.

**YOUTH GROUP** During the last academic year, the Youth Ministry was resurrected with great success. The team is hoping to continue this exciting progress & would like to grow to include older children. To continue our success & plan for future, we are seeking both men and women who are willing to dedicate 1.25 hours per month once DBS cleared. We currently have a strong, dedicated team to support any new team members. Please contact Deacon Nick on 246787 or email [yth.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:yth.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk) if you have questions or are interested.

**RIDE & STRIDE** The Annual Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust Ride & Stride will take place from 10am to 4pm on Saturday, 9 September. 50% of all funds raised by parishioners will be paid to the Parish. Enjoy a healthy day of exercise as a cyclist, walker or as a visitor welcomer and help preserve the history on our doorstep by raising funds for the OHCT and our own Church. For further information or to receive a sponsorship form, please contact Tim Lane on 01869 277523 or at [tim.lane@live.co.uk](mailto:tim.lane@live.co.uk).

Teams for	27/8	3/9	10/9	17/9	24/9
Children lit. (4)	None	None	3	4	5
Coffee 9am (10)	3	4	5	6	7
Coffee 11am (9)	3	4	5	6	7
Flowers	Jo (wedding)	New rota			

**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." I wish to encourage you to watch the episodes and follow along with our discussion. Why don't you "Invite" a friend and come along to watch with us. The first season contains of 8 episodes and these will take place on the following eight **Thursdays** at 7pm in St John Paul II Centre: **September - 7th; 14th; 21st; 28th; October: 5th; 12th; 19th & 26th.** I ask you all to commit for those days. There is a list at the back of the Church, please add you name if you wish to come.

**SPONSORING SANCTUARY LAMPS:** These lamps burn perpetually on the sanctuary (Blessed Sacrament) and in the Lady Chapel. Would you like one of these to burn in memory of a loved one, or for a particular intention? (Please note: one person/couple/intention per candle) If so, we are asking for a donation of £10 per week, which will go towards the costs of running the sacristy: candles and other necessities for the celebration of Mass. Please hand in to Parish Clergy, post through Henley House letter box or to Parish Sisters in an envelope marked 'Sanctuary Lamp Donation' together with a note stating your particular intention. Lots of availability in the new year. The intentions will be placed in order as they are received and published in the weekly bulletin.

**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

24th: International Mass & Shared Lunch  
 25th: Enrolment meeting -First Confession/Holy Communion/ Confirmation  
 25th: Day of Prayer at Hethe from 9.30 am - 4.30pm

### October

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

### November:

4th Filipino Day of Prayer  
 12th Confirmation Commitment Mass at 9 am  
 14th Annual Mass for the deceased Clergy of the Deanery  
 19th November: Annual Christmas Fayre after 9 am & 11 am Masses.



## 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:**

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

26th/27th August: Parish Maintenance  
 2nd/3rd September: Parish Maintenance  
 9th/10th September: Parish Maintenance  
 16th/17th September: Catholic Evangelisation

Church	First Collection	Second Collection	Standing Orders	Tap & Go Donations	Mass Attendance
<b>Bicester</b>	£331.98	£125.14	£1165	£75	427
<b>Hethe</b>	£41.30	£	£170		19

**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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