



The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

And Holy Trinity @Hardwick Rd, HETHE OX27 8AW

Henley House, 12 Causeway, Bicester OX26 6AW

www.immaculate-conception.org.uk

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



Holy Trinity Hethe

Archbishop: **The Most Rev Bernard Longley**
Dean of Banbury Deanery & Parish Priest:
Very Rev. Canon John Y Batthula BA, MA, Dip. Cat., MA Ed
For Confidential matters
canonjohn.batthula@rcaob.org.uk
Parish Deacons: **Rev Mr Michael Panejko** MA 01869 246 459
Rev Mr Nick St John: 01869 246 787
Retired Priest: **Rev. Fr. Pat Armstrong**
Parish Secretary: **Lucia Hattam**
Parish Safeguarding Representatives: **Elizabeth Green**
Les Cleeve
Gift Aid Organiser: **Sr Anu Joseph**
St John Paul II Centre: **Sr Sani Vijayan**
Parish Sisters: -Superior - **Sr Rose Mathew** - Convent 327 689
Head Teacher: **Miss. P. Pickering** - St Mary's - 01869 252035

Parish Office: (Monday - Fridays 9am – 4.00pm)
Parish Office Phone No: 01869 253277
Parish Office Email: tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk
Gift Aid Email: ga.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk
Centre Email: info@johnpaulcentre.co.uk Phone: 01869 324 307
Parish Safeguarding Representative - Elizabeth Green
sg.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk
Parish Sacramental Programme Coordinator - Clare St John
psc.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk
Parish Children's Liturgy Coordinator - Elspeth Morgan
pcl.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk
Parish Youth Coordinator - Deacon Nick St John
yth.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk
Parish Health & Safety Representative - Les Cleeve
pht.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk
Parish Environmental & Peace and Justice Group - Janet Marshall
peg.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk



4th Sunday of Lent C
27th March 2022 Psalter 4
Sunday's - Year C & Weekday's - Lenten Season
Month of St Joseph



For a synodal Church
communion | participation | mission

MARCH	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	STEWARDS
SAT 26th	4.00pm@Hethe	People of the Parish	4th Sunday of Lent C		S Wilde/R Deane
Vigil Mass	6.00 pm	Claramma & Joseph (RIP)		P Sims & C McArdle	M & S Doherty
SUN 27th	9.00 am	Syron Jeffers Families & Noah J Varghese		L & S Taylor	St John & C Conlon
	11.00 am	George & Ella Tett (RIP)		T Lane & N Ward	J Marshall & A Poole
MON 28th	9.30 am	Kath O'Grady (RIP)	Lenten Feria	M Daniel	P Sims & A Farrell
TUE 29th	9.00 am	Funeral Service of Joyce O'Neill (RIP)			Sisters
	12 noon	Da Silva & De Carnallu Families	Lenten Feria	J Kokore	R & R Deane
WED 30th	9.30 am	Karen Jefferies (RIP)	Lenten Feria	Sister	L & C Cleeve
THUR 31st	9.30 am	Stewart Jones (for recovery)	Lenten Feria	H King	Kokore Family
FRI 1st Apr	12 noon	Janny & August Van Goubergen (RIP)	Lenten Feria	E King	Frankie
	4.00 pm	Interment of Ashes—Shirley Chambers (RIP)			
	7.00pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS			
SAT 2nd	4.00Ppm@Hethe	People of the Parish	5th Sunday of Lent C		S Wilde/R Deane
Vigil Mass	6.00 pm	Helena Nowak (95th Birthday)		Ursuline Sisters	Thompson Family
SUN 3rd	9.00 am	People of the Parish		M Daniel & L Cleeve	L & C Cleeve
	11.00 am	Claire Cox (née Brinkworth) (RIP)		C Tett & I Ziegart	Kokore Family



Stations of the Cross: Bicester: Friday 7pm—Hethe: Mon 10am Tue-Fri 9.30am



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

**Church is open
for Private Prayer
Monday to Friday
9 am to 4pm
Saturday from 9am to 6.45pm
Sunday: 8.15 am - 5.00 pm**

Pope's Prayer Intention for March: For a Christian response to bioethical challenges :
We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

This week we pray for...

SANCTUARY: Special Intention - Siobhan Louise Connerly (RIP)
OUR LADY'S LIGHT: Helena Nowak

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

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

UKRAINE We are supporting the Catholic charity 'Aid to the Church in Need' (ACN) Donations to be given preferably via our contactless system to **Ukraine ANC**. Alternatively, cash or cheque to 'Immaculate Conception' Donations can also be made directly through: <https://acnuk.org/news/ukraine-charity-rolls-out-emergency-aid/> and further information: <https://acnuk.org/news/ukraine-charity-announces-extra-aid/>
DONATIONS FOR UKRAINE Are now accepting donations at Unit 1 McKay Trading Estate, OX26 6BZ (the old Sobell House unit on the way to Bicester Village Station, opposite side of Bicester Bodyshop) between 10am-4pm Monday-Saturday. Closed Sundays. Please see display board at the back of church and our website for items that are much needed.

UKRAINIAN REFUGEES Many people want to help those who are having to leave their home country of Ukraine, who will be offered refuge in this country until it is safe and possible to return. The Archdiocese and Caritas Archdiocese of Birmingham have asked Father Hudson's Care to coordinate the many generous offers of help. Father Hudson's and the Ukrainian communities anticipate being able to be the organisations that can link offers of help to refugee Ukrainian individuals and families. If you wish to offer accommodation, please contact Father Hudson's on (01675) 434000 between the hours of 8.30 - 4.30pm. Or, please email Maria Gallagher on mariagalagher@fatherhudsons.org.uk providing a phone number that you can be contacted on. Please go to our website or display board at the back of church for further information.

COVID UPDATE: I encourage everyone to continue to wear a face covering when coming for Mass and a reminder to exit the church promptly to allow stewards to sanitise the church immediately after masses. Please remember to sanitise your hands on entry and exit. Lets keep each other safe.

CAKE SALE: The cake sale raised £281.38 last weekend. Many thanks to all who contributed cakes and preserves and to everyone who bought them!

COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASSES Anita, Sally & Mark will be ready to welcome you with a cuppa after Sunday Masses this weekend! Please remember that the centre will need vacating by 1pm and that reasonable donations are politely requested for the refreshments.

COFFEE MORNING: Next one will take place on Friday, 1st April from 10am - 11.45 am. All are welcome.

BAPTISM COURSE The next Baptism Course will take place at the St John Paul II Centre on Saturday, 30th April at 12 noon. If you are planning to have your child baptised this year please contact the Parish Office to inform them that you will attend.

EASTER RAFFLE: Easter Hampers raffle tickets are now available from Jackie Flynn and the Parish Office. £1 a strip of tickets.

PIETY First Holy Communion gifts, Communion ties, Easter cards & gifts now available. Open Friday, and weekend Mass times.

PROTECT OUR PLANET: Fairtrade certified Easter eggs are available to order from Ann Poole or directly from Traidcraftshop.co.uk. Eggs are available in milk, dark or white chocolate and in various sizes. Traidcraft stock The Real Easter Egg which includes a book telling the real meaning of Easter, as well as cards and decorations. To place an order contact Ann 07768241174 annjpoole@yahoo.co.uk

EASTER LILIES As in pre-covid years Easter lilies can be bought in memory of loved ones. As always, the flower team will create beautiful displays that will incorporate lilies along with other seasonal flowers for Easter. Forms are available at the back of church. Lilies £2.50 each.

100 CLUB Its that time of year again where we promote our 100 Club Parish fundraiser. Thank you to all who continue to subscribe. If you pay by direct debit there is nothing you need to do. If you pay annually you can now also pay by card on the contactless machine. If any new parishioners would like to subscribe then please complete the form which can be found at the back of church or in the bulletin this weekend. It costs £60 (full payment required) a year or £5 a month (direct debit) for the monthly chance to win one or more of 3 prizes of £100 / £50/£25. You can also buy numbers as gifts for others—they make ideal presents! No limit as to how many number you buy. Any queries please email Paul on paulcous@yahoo.com *You have to be in it to win it!*

SYMPATHY: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Joyce O'Neill and Shirley Chambers. A funeral service for Joyce will be held on Tuesday, 29th March followed by burial at Bicester Cemetery. Shirley passed away on 11th February and her ashes will be interred into the Foynes Memorial Garden on Friday, 1st April at 4pm. *May they rest in peace.*

GIFT AID As the new financial year approaches, please let us know if you have moved address in the past year so that our details are up to date for any claims. Email any changes to tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

NEW PARISHIONER FORM The Parish of The Immaculate Conception, Bicester is attempting to create a register of all parishioners, such a register being very helpful to the Parish Priest, and is something that most parishes attempt to create, and to keep up to date. For this reason, all new parishioners are asked to provide details. Additionally, all existing parishioners who suspect that they may not be registered already, are asked to provide details. It is better for there to be duplication than to not have parishioners registered at all. Forms are available at the back of church & from the Welcomers and can also be downloaded from our website. When completed, please return via email to: tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk or deliver to the Parish Office. Thank you.

2022— Dates to remember

Monday 11th April: Lenten Penitential Service and Confessions

Saturday 14th May: First Holy Communions (St Mary's)

Saturday 21st May: First Holy Communions (non St Mary's)

Sunday 19th June: Eucharistic Procession to Garth Park

Sunday 3rd July: Family Day & Presentation of Certificates



Financial Information

SECOND COLLECTIONS

26th/27th March: Lenten Charities

Church	Loose	Second Collection	Standing Orders	Total	Attended
Bicester	£422.30	£167.00	£1100	£168.73	290
Hethe	£89.50		£196	£285.50	29

PARISH GIVING

BICESTER <https://portal.myдона.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

You can also donate by scanning the QR code with your phone



God Bless you for your generosity during these difficult times!

MASS STIPENDS/OFFERINGS:

Sort code: 60-08-40 Acc. No. 75459760.

Canon John Y Batthula.



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

We use live streaming

Go the website and follow link

<https://mcnmedia.tv/iframe/>

[e8896647923e089406131a3b96e45994de4a89c4](https://mcnmedia.tv/iframe/?e8896647923e089406131a3b96e45994de4a89c4)



Those who do not wish to have their image live streamed are advised to go to Holy Trinity church (Hethe) where there are no cameras.