



The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

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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**

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays Year 1

28th January – 5th February 2023 Psalter 4

Pope's Prayer Intention for January for educators: We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.



JANUARY	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	STEWARDS
SAT 28th	Hethe 4.00 pm	Dec. members of Friends of Holy Souls		B Kelly/ R Deane	S Wilde/R Deane
	6.00 pm	People of the Parish	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sr Sani/Sr Anu	B & K McFall
SUN 29th	9.00 am	Mary Gilmore (RIP) 2nd Anniversary		S Joseph/R Silvy	L & C Cleeve
	11.00 am	Olivia Fitzpatrick (RIP)		I Ziegart/T Lane	A & E Orleans
MON 30th	9.30am@Hethe	Wellbeing of Helen McDermott	Feria in Ordinary Time		
	12 Noon	John Dunn (RIP)		M Daniel	
TUE 31st	9.30 am	Anna & Bobby Duggan (RIP)	Mem of St John Bosco, P	J Kokore	
WED 1st	9.30 am	Annie Greenan (RIP)	Feria in Ordinary Time	L Cleeve	
THUR 2nd	9.30 am	Ints of Kerton & Summons Families Radoslaw Paczkowski (RIP)	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord	H King	
	10 am-11.45am	Coffee Morning at the St John Paul II			
FRI 3rd	12 noon	Janet & Nicholas Byrne (RIP)	Feria in Ordinary Time	M Daniel	
SAT 4th	Hethe 4.00 pm	Wellbeing of Helen McDermott		B Kelly/ R Deane	S Wilde/R Deane
	6.00 pm	In Thanksgiving –Private Intention	5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	C McArdle/R John	McArdle Family
SUN 5th	9.00 am	People of the Parish		M Brown/E Penhallow	C St John
	11.00 am	William Swanson (RIP)		N Ward/M Lawrence	Kokore Family

**The Crib collection this year will go towards: St Chad's Sanctuary. <http://www.stchadssanctuary.com/>
The collection will end on 2nd February. Please place donations into the casket in church entrance. *Please give generously.***

SPONSORING SANCTUARY LAMPS

These lamps burn perpetually on the sanctuary (Blessed Sacrament) and in the Lady Chapel. £10 per week.
Forms available from the Welcomers table.



DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Every Tuesday at 2.00pm in Church
BAPTISMS/WEDDINGS: Please contact the Parish Office through email or phone call to make necessary arrangements.

CONFESSIONS: Hethe: **Every Saturday from 3.15pm - 3.50 pm (in the Sacristy)** Bicester: 5.15 pm - 5.45pm

HOLY HOUR: Every First Friday from 6.00pm to 7.00pm

ROSARY: Everyday 25 minutes before Mass starts.

URSULINE LAY ASSOCIATES MEETING: 2nd Wednesday of every month at 2pm @ Ursuline Convent

PIETY SHOP: Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday around Masses.

EAST TIMOR COMMUNITY PRAYER: First Sunday of the month at 5.00pm @ Ursuline Convent



This week we pray for...
SANCTUARY LIGHT: John Dunn (RIP)
OUR LADY'S LIGHT:

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Mary Lynch, Victor Francis, K Cashman, Tim Charles, Joyce Thornley, Helena Nowak, Joy Martin, Sean O'Neill & Jean McIntosh .

HOLY COMMUNION SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Children/Parent Sessions Saturday 9-10am in St John Paul II Centre: 25th February (Parents Session running alongside the children's session), 11th March, 25th March (Parents Session running alongside the children's session), 22nd April.

CONFIRMATION SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

4th February Retreat Day with St Mary's Catholic Primary School. **It is essential for children to attend all the sessions in order to receive the sacraments.**

COFFEE MORNING First one of the year will take place on Friday, 3rd February, 10am-11.45am. Looking forward to seeing you all! Future ones: March 3rd & April 14th.

PIETY SHOP SALE Special offer during the month of February: CTS booklets: buy on get one free.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT COURSE by Marriage Encounter England and Wales. 3-5 March 2023 at The Campanile Hotel, Great Western Way, Delta Business Park, Swindon, SN5 7XG. The marriage enrichment course offers a unique opportunity for couples to rekindle their relationships and focus on what is important to them. Our experience helped us to understand each other more and reminded us that we had made a sacramental marriage in front of our families and God. The Marriage Encounter course also helped us with our relationships with our children. For us our experience was a gift from God. For further information and to book an experience to <https://wwme.org.uk>

CAFOD The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, are looking for people to give some time and join them in their mission. Could you help in our parish, bringing people together to help build a better world or by visiting local schools? Or raise a voice and campaign for justice or perhaps speak for CAFOD throughout the diocese? Could you support local volunteers or share your office skills to help CAFOD keep costs low? Training and support is provided. See cafod.org.uk/Volunteer for more information or get in touch with birmingham@cafod.org.uk

BLESSED GEORGE NAPIER CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM VACANCY: Assistant Head, Behaviour and Inclusion. Commencing September 2023 For further details and to apply visit: www.bgn.oxon.sch.uk

FUNDRAISER: Rags for Cash If you have any unwanted clothes, shoes, towels, bedding or curtains please take a Bag for School bag from the Welcomers or back of church to fill and return to the back of church (open daily until 4pm) or to the Ukrainian Clothing Centre, Unit 1 McKay Estate, Station Approach, Bicester, OX26 6BF. Mon-Tue 10-12noon, Thu/Fri 10-2pm, Sat 2-4pm by February 20th. If you have lots, strong black bin liners can also be used. Funds raised will be divided between parish funds and Bicester Ukrainian Community Support. Thank you in advance.

CAN YOU VOLUNTEER You would probably agree that our church always looks clean and well polished?? This is down to a few dedicated teams of cleaners that faithfully come to clean. We always need more volunteers to add to the teams. If you can spare a few hours every 6 weeks please contact the Parish Office.

WELCOMERS Welcomers play an important role around Mass times and we always encourage parishioners to volunteer. It's a great way to get to know your fellow parishioners and a joy for parishioners to be welcomed by a cheerful greeting as they enter! It can be at the Mass you attend, we ask that you come early enough to prepare, count people as they enter (using clicker) and after Mass to do a quick tidy up (10 mins). If you would like to join the team please contact the parish office alternatively speak to any Welcomer to find out more.

The Grow your Faith group had a good meeting and thank you to all who attended. We hope the discussions will evolve as we share and learn about our faith together. Everyone is invited to our next meeting on Wednesday 15th February, 7.30pm in the St John Paul II Centre.

THANK YOU: I sincerely would like to thank Father Pat for celebrating Holy Masses over the past few weekends. I also would like to thank Deacon Michael & Deacon Nick for celebrating the services of the Word with Holy Communion. God bless them abundantly.

SYMPATHY Please pray for the repose of the soul of **John Dunn** who died peacefully in the early hours of Tuesday, 24th January. We extend our very deepest sympathy to his daughters, Pam and Julie and all the family and his friends. John volunteered at the Parish Office for many years and was a faithful parishioner and friend to many. *May he rest in peace.*

Maria Stonell aged 86 years. A Requiem Mass for Maria will take place on Friday, 10th February 2023 at 11am followed by cremation at North Oxfordshire Crematorium. *May she rest in peace.*

Thomas McNally aged 85yrs of Winterbourne Close. A Funeral service will be held on Tuesday 21st February at 11.30am followed by cremation at North Oxfordshire Crematorium. *May he rest in peace.*

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES MAY 2023: Parish pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from the 25th to 31st May 2023. Half board £789 per person sharing a room. Single rooms are an extra £247 with limited availability. The flight will be from London Stansted to Lourdes. Booking forms can be obtained from Piety shop or Parish Office, alternatively online via All Saints. If you need more information, please get in touch with me. Online booking: www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/LD0803

HOLY LAND NOVEMBER 2023: Our pilgrimage to the Holy Land will take place from 27th Nov to 4th Dec 2023. Half board £1459 per person sharing a room. Single rooms incur a supplement of £325. Flights from London Luton. Booking forms can be obtained from the Piety Shop or Parish Office. Alternatively you can book online: [https://www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/HL0801](http://www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/HL0801) Coach transfers from church to airports have yet to be decided upon and will incur extra costs.

Dates to remember

- 11th February: Baptism Course 10am
- 18th March 2023: Sacrament of Confirmations Mass at 6 pm
- 23rd March 2023: Diamond Jubilee Celebrations @ 7pm
- 13th May: First Holy Communions (For non St Mary's) 11 am
- PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED DUE TO THE KINGS CORONATION ON 6/5/23
- 20th May : First Holy Communions (For St Mary's) 11 am



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 Batthula: 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 porch.

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Financial Information

SECOND COLLECTIONS - JANUARY

28th & 29th - Parish Maintenance

SECOND COLLECTIONS - FEBRUARY

4th/5th;11th/12th;18th/19th: Parishes Maintenance

Church	First Collection	Second Collection	Standing Orders	Tap & Go For Parish	Mass Attendance
Bicester	£305.71	£201.78	£1185	£56	375
Hethe	£35	£40	£186		21



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Teams for	29/1	5/2	12/2	19/2
Children lit. (4)	No	4	None Half term	None Half term
Coffee 9am (11)	4	5	6	7
Coffee 11am (7)	7	1	2	3
Flowers	Anne	Anne	Sandy	Sandy