

# CATHOLIC BICESTER

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## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

HENLEY HOUSE, 12 CAUSEWAY,  
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## HOLY TRINITY

HARDWICK ROAD, HETHE  
Near BICESTER OX27 8AW

## ST JOHN PAUL II CENTRE

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### Dean of Banbury Deanery & Parish Priest:

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## BREVIARY: WEEK 1 OF PSALTER (YEAR A) SATURDAY 28TH DECEMBER TO SUNDAY 5TH JANUARY 2020

*Sunday Masses* can be viewed live on **YouTube**, click on the link on our website.

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No: 234216



| DECEMBER                        | TIME         | IMMACULATE CONCEPTION                         | TIME    | HOLY TRINITY               | INFORMATION  |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---|---------|----------------------------|--|
| SATURDAY 28TH                   | 10.15 AM     | Service of the Word with Holy Communion       |         |                            |  |
|                                 | 5.15 PM      | <b>ROSARY</b>                                 |         |                            |  |
|                                 | 6.00 PM      | Ints of James Carey                           |         |                            |  |
| SUNDAY 29TH                     | 9.30 AM      | People of the Parish                          | 8.00 AM | People of the Parish       | <b>FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY</b>                    |
|                                 | 11.00 AM     | Patrick McCartan (RIP)<br>followed by Baptism |         |                            |  |
| MONDAY 30TH                     | 12 NOON      | Cherry Bridle (RIP)                           | 9.30 AM | John Michael O'Brien (RIP) | Sixth Day of the Octave of Christmas               |
| TUESDAY 31ST                    | 9.30 AM      | Silveriano & Teresita Andoy (RIP)             |         | NO MASS                    | Seventh Day of the Octave of Christmas             |
|                                 | 2.00 PM      | Divine Mercy Chaplet                          |         |                            | Church   |
| <b>JANUARY</b><br>WEDNESDAY 1ST | 12 NOON      | Canon John's Intentions                       |         | NO MASS                    | Solemnity of Mary The Mother of God                |
| THURSDAY 2ND                    | 9.30 AM      | Holy Souls                                    |         | NO MASS                    | Mem of St Basil the Great & St G Nazianzen, B, Drs |
| FRIDAY 3RD                      | 9.30 AM      | John Dunn (sick)                              |         | NO MASS                    | Christmas Feria                                    |
| SATURDAY 4TH                    | 9.30 AM (BP) | Prisoners and their families                  |         | NO MASS                    | Christmas Feria                                    |
|                                 | 10.15 AM     | Service of the Word with Holy Communion       |         |                            |  |
|                                 | 5.15 PM      | <b>ROSARY</b>                                 |         |                            |  |
|                                 | 6.00 PM      | Tom Hattam (RIP)                              |         |                            |  |
| SUNDAY 5TH                      | 9.30 AM      | People of the Parish                          | 8.00 AM | People of the Parish       | <b>SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY</b>                   |
|                                 | 11.00 AM     | John & Joan Calnan (RIP)                      |         |                            | <b>OF THE LORD</b>                                 |



### This Weekend's Liturgy of the Word:

Today, the feast of the Holy Family, shows how Jesus needed a family in order to grow to maturity. The Christian community is our wider family. It reminds us that we have a common Father, and that we are brothers and sisters in Christ. We cannot reach maturity in isolation from others.

**First Reading** (Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6. 12-14). This reading could be seen as a brief commentary on the commandment to honour one's parents. This entails not only obeying them when we are young, but looking after them when they are old.

**Second Reading** (Colossians 3:12-21). This stresses the atmosphere of love that should reign in a Christian family. It places special emphasis on mutual forgiveness.

**Gospel** (Matthew 2:13-15.19-23). We see the love of Mary and Joseph for the Child Jesus. They willingly uproot themselves and go into exile in order to protect him from Herod.

Canon John Y Batthula - Parish Priest & Dean

#### CONFESSIONS

Saturday  
10.45 am - 11.30am  
5pm - 5.30pm

#### ROSARY

After weekday  
Masses

**Divine Mercy**  
Tuesday 2.00pm

#### COFFEE & TEA

IC Sunday's  
After 9.30am and  
11am Masses  
HT after 8 am Mass



# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

**CATENIANS:** Contact Peter Sims 01869 249638.

**TRADECRAFT:** Open 3rd weekend of month

**100 CLUB DRAW:** Last Sunday of the month

**RCIA** Tuesdays, in the St John Paul II from 8pm-9pm from Nov-April.

**The Scripture/Prayer Group** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday in the month. Janet Marshall on 07434930992.

**CAMEO LADIES GROUP:** Meet at Kings Arms, last Saturday of the month at 10.30am for coffee, cake & chat. Do join us!

**COFFEE MORNINGS:** Friday Jan 10th 10am-11.45am.

**LUNCHES:** Tuesday 12 noon on Jan 21st.



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

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



**CHRISTMAS STARS** Thank you to all who bought stars for their loved ones, £325 has been raised.

**GRAND CHRISTMAS RAFFLE** Sincere thanks to everyone who bought raffle tickets, £829 was raised. List of winners can be found on the notice board. Please collect your prizes from the sacristy.

**HOLY BIBLES:** During this 'Year of the Word' I would like to encourage parishioners to read the Holy Bible everyday, consider maybe reading before your evening meal with your family. Bibles are for sale in the Piety Shop, at £12.00 each.

**READERS** More readers for Masses are needed, especially for the Saturday, 6pm Mass. Please speak to any of the clergy or contact the parish office if you are able to or need any more information.

**PARISHIONER FORMS** If you are new to the parish we would love to know that you are here! Please take a moment to fill out the form which can be found at the back of church and deliver completed to any of the clergy or parish office. Thank you.

**COFFEE MORNING** The first Coffee Morning of the new year will be on Friday, 10th January from 10am to 11.45am in the St John Paul II Centre.

**CATHOLIC NEWSPAPERS** There will be no Catholic newspapers available from January 1st. Please contact the newspapers directly to arrange subscriptions.

## Prayer for the "Year of the Word"

Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures. Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears and shows us how to live for one another. Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. *Amen*

V. Your word is our path and your truth is our light.

R. This day and every day.

Our Lady of the Annunciation

*Pray for us*

**St Matthew**

*Pray for us*

**St Jerome**

*Pray for us*



| Teams for Sunday the: | 29/12 | 5/1   | 12/1   | 18/1 | 26/1 |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|--------|------|------|
| Counting (7)          | 7     | 1     | 2      | 3    | 4    |
| Cleaning (7) no 5     | 7     | 1     | 2      | 3    | 4    |
| Children lit. (5)     | 1     | 2     | 3      | 4    | 5    |
| Coffee 9am (14)       | 7     | 8     | 9      | 10   | 11   |
| Coffee 11am (7)       | 5     | 6     | 7      | 1    | 2    |
| Flowers               | water | water | Remove |      |      |
| Tradecraft            |       |       |        | open |      |

## SECOND COLLECTIONS

### DECEMBER

29th Parish Maintenance

### JANUARY & FEBRUARY

Parish Maintenance



The Crib Collection this Christmas will go towards

**Missions Together (Missio)**

Thank you in advance for your generosity.



## PARISH OFFERINGS

1st GA: £91.00 Loose: £423.12

2nd GA: £49.82 Loose: £184.38

**Total: £748.32** + Standing Orders

With thanks for all your generosity to the Parish and to charity.



# HOLY TRINITY - HETHE

**Sincere thanks** to John and Sue Wilde for arranging the Carol Service celebration and the raffle which raised almost £100. Thanks to all who contributed towards the drinks and snacks in St Philip's Hall and to Mary Evans, Pat Owens and Veronica Barnes for the beautiful floral displays for the church. Our splendid crib was erected by a five strong men, to whom our thanks, and thanks also to Mrs Labrosse who cleaned and polished the church.

**Monday Films** will resume after 9.30am Mass on January 13th in St Philip's Hall.

**Deceased parishioners:** Please pray for our deceased parishioners whose anniversaries occur about now: Joy Vines, Patricia Malpass, Richard Sampson, Agnes Hammond, Catherine Harris.

**Friday Mass** There will be no Mass on Fridays in the month of January.

**Sincere thanks** ...and finally to Ceilia for the Christmas music and to our altar servers for their devotion in both sanctuary and sacristy.

**Attendance:** Sunday 25 and 31 (EF). Cash collection £67.00 and £60.00. Christmas 8.00pm 49. Christmas 8.00am 23.

| Hethe           | 29/12   | 5/1     | 12/1        | 18/1     | 26/1     | 2/2       |
|-----------------|---------|---------|-------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Lector Counters | R Deane | J Grant | D McDermott | V Barnes | N Hasser | K D'Silva |

## THANK YOU

*We are deeply grateful for the many gifts and cards which have arrived at the presbytery over the Christmas festival, and for your generous Christmas offerings. Thank you, to everyone who has contributed in any way over the Christmas period - musicians, readers, altar servers, Extraordinary ministers, offering collectors, church wardens, flower arrangers, Christmas tree & crib decorators, welcomers, church cleaners everyone who has helped in any way.*

*Our sincere thanks to all our volunteers at Pope John Paul II Centre for their continued support and kindness. And indeed to everyone who is involved in any way throughout the year.*

*Wishing you all a very, holy and happy*

*Christmas & a peaceful New Year.*

| This weekend: 29/12      | Extrao. Min | Extrao. Min | Extrao. Min | Extrao. Min | Lector    | Lector    | Welcomer  | Welcomer  | Offertory            | Attendance last week |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Saturday 6pm</b>      | Sr Sherly   | Sr Rose     | S Jacob     | M Thompson  | A Hall    | K Kallay  | M Marrs   | T Behan   | <b>Volunteers</b>    | <b>94</b>            |
| <b>Sunday 9.30am</b>     | K Riley     | M Doherty   | Volunteer   | Clergy      | K Gore    | C St John | Chivers   | Family    | <b>Volunteers</b>    | <b>204</b>           |
| <b>Sunday 11am</b>       | S Lawrence  | M Rowley    | Clergy      | Clergy      | I Ziegart | I Cook    | volunteer | volunteer | <b>Volunteers</b>    | <b>222</b>           |
| <b>Next weekend: 5/1</b> |             |             |             |             |           |           |           |           | <b>TOTAL</b>         | <b>520</b>           |
| <b>Saturday 6pm</b>      | B Thompson  | M Kelly     | I Foley     | M John      | P Kallay  | A Halja   | Kallay    | Family    | <b>Kallay Family</b> |                      |
| <b>Sunday 9.30am</b>     | N Andrade   | G Andrade   | A Mutton    | Clergy      | L Taylor  | S Taylor  | Cousins   | Family    | <b>Volunteers</b>    |                      |
| <b>Sunday 11am</b>       | F Ostrowski | O Panejko   | Sr Rose     | Clergy      | R Evans   | E Green   | Ursuline  | Sisters   | <b>Volunteers</b>    |                      |