

Teams for :	2/8	9/8	16/8	23/8	30/8	6/9	13/9
Children Liturgy	none	none	none	none	none		
Coffee 9am (11)	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Coffee 11am (9)	5	4	6	7	8	9	1
Flowers	Anita	Anita	Jo	Jo	Sr Rose		

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 Hethe: 3.30pm-3.50 pm (Sacristy)</i> 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.

FATIMA PILGRIMAGE We wish our pilgrim group travelling to Fatima from Friday 7th August to Wednesday 12th August, every blessing as they prepare for their journey. Please keep them in your prayers as they travel to this special place of prayer and devotion. During this time, there will be no weekday Masses or Saturday 10am Mass or confessions. We pray that they have a safe journey a peaceful pilgrimage and a spiritually enriching time and return refreshed in faith and grace.

FUNERAL A Requiem Mass for Sheelagh Clarke, aged 76yrs, will be held on Monday, 17th August at 2pm followed by cremation at North Oxford Crematorium. Please keep Sheelagh and all those who have recently died in your prayers.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK If someone you know would like to receive Holy Communion at home or in a care or nursing home, please get in touch with the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE Please keep in your prayers all couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. In particular, we pray for Maisie Berry and Robert Hitchcock who will be married on Monday, 10th August. May the Lord bless them as they begin their life together.

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, which will take place on Monday evenings from the autumn until Easter, then please speak to Fr Craig and or contact the parish office asap.

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.

HARVINGTON HALL ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE The Annual Archdiocese of Birmingham Pilgrimage Mass will take place on Sunday, 6th September. Confessions 1.45pm-2.30pm Mass at 3pm. Harvington Hall Lane, Harvington, Kidderminster, Worcestershire, DY10 4LR. All welcome.

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.

THE 100 CLUB JULY WINNERS £100 Hilary King-42, £50 Gerard Andrade-25, £25 Eileen Penhallow-16. The following numbers are still available: 16, 40, 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! The draw takes place on the last Sunday of the month after the 9am mass. Come and spin the 100 club wheel!***

JPII GAMING EVENT (formerly ZZAP!) this will take place on Saturday, 14th November from 11am-4pm. A chance to play retro, modern games and more! Raffle and refreshments available. This is a fundraiser for the church and tickets can now be purchased online via wegottickets.com - The JPII Gaming Event.

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.

BAPTISM COURSE The next Baptism Course will now take place on Wednesday, 30th September at 7pm in the JPII Centre and **not** Monday, 28th September as previously advertised. Apologies for any inconvenience. Please contact the office to register. We are desperately short of Baptism Catechists to run the courses which take place 3-4 times a year, currently we only have 3 members, if you would like to join the team then please contact the office for more information or come along on the 30th to see what is involved. Training will be provided.

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 August 2nd/9th/16th/23rd/30th: 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.mydona.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

[https://camstreamer.com/redirect/](https://camstreamer.com/redirect/xmTDv4jBRjMTROM5VBVyN34wpRY1nK34jSHqcqhr)

[xmTDv4jBRjMTROM5VBVyN34wpRY1nK34jSHqcqhr](https://camstreamer.com/redirect/xmTDv4jBRjMTROM5VBVyN34wpRY1nK34jSHqcqhr)

Follow the readings at Mass: <https://universalis.com/mass.htm>

A CCTV System operates 24 hours a day. This is in place for the safety of people, protection of property and crime prevention.



The Catholic Parish of St Edmund Campion Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

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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Holy Trinity Hethe



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays II - 2nd August 2026 - Psalter Week 2

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Pope’s Prayer Intention for August — For evangelization in the city. Let us pray in the large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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DATE	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTERS	WELCOMERS
SAT 1st	4.00pm HT 6.00pm	People of the Parish Kitty Hornby (RIP)	Mem of St Dominic. P	Volunteer P & K Kallay	Sr Sani/ Sr Molly	J Kokore
SUN 2nd	9.00am 11.00am	In Thanksgiving—Hartley Family Herbert & Andrew Jeanne (RIP)	19th Sunday in Ordinary time	L & R Weaver M Lawrence	J Josh/ A Mutton J Kokore/ C Tah	L & C Cleeve R Elgado & Friends
MON 3rd	9.30am HT 12 noon IC	Holy Souls Ints of Angelika Swanson	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	M Daniel		
TUE 4th	9.30am 2.00pm IC	Ints of Fr Aldo Tapparo—Jubilee Divine Mercy Chaplet	<i>Mem of St John Mary Vianney, P</i>	L Cleeve		
WED 5th		No Mass	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>			
THU 6th	9.30am 11.00am	Mike Gosling (RIP) Funeral Service - John Bartlett (RIP)	<i>Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord</i>	H King		
FRI 7th		No Mass	<i>Feria In Ordinary Time</i>			
SAT 8th	4.00pm HT 6.00pm	No Mass/Confessions in morning People of the Parish Edith Steiner (RIP)	Mem of St Dominic. P	B Hardingham	O Panejko/ B Santiago	B & L Hattam
SUN 9th	9.00am 11.00am 1.00pm	Peter A J (RIP) Roy Abbott (RIP) 80th in heaven Baptism-Rónan Anthony John Martins	19th Sunday in Ordinary time	A Mutton R Evans	L & R Weaver J & J Kokore	L & C Cleeve Sisters

Please note that there will be no Masses in Hethe or Bicester from Monday 10th – Wednesday 12th August.

However, a Nuptial Service will be taking place on Monday 10th August at 1.00pm here at the Immaculate Conception.



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: Harry Jeanne (RIP)

OUR LADY’S CHAPEL: Sruthi Varghese

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	£776.24	£210.54	£1122	409
Hethe	£67.56		£165	34

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

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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

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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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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon: O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

First reading Isaiah 55:1-3 ‘Come and eat.’

Thus says the Lord:
‘Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
and he who has no money, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.’

The word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: You open your hand and fulfil us, O Lord.

Second reading Romans 8:35, 37-39 ‘Nothing in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ.’

Brothers and Sisters: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia.
One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.
Alleluia.

Gospel Matthew 14:13-21 ‘They all ate and were satisfied.’

At that time: When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, ‘This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.’ But Jesus said, ‘They need not go away; you give them something to eat.’ They said to him, ‘We have only five loaves here and two fish.’ And he said, ‘Bring them here to me.’ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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.