

The Mass: Structure and Meaning (Source: USCCB)

Liturgy of the Eucharist: The Eucharistic Prayer continues with the *anamnesis*, literally, the "not forgetting." The people proclaim the memorial acclamation, recalling the saving death and resurrection of the Lord. The prayer continues as the celebrant recalls the saving actions of God in Christ.

The next part of the prayer is the offering. In this part of the prayer, the priest joins the offering of this Mass to the perfect sacrifice that Jesus made on the cross. The priest offers this sacrifice back to God the Father in thanksgiving for God's abundant gifts, particularly the gift of salvation in Christ. The priest also prays that the Holy Spirit may come upon the faithful and by receiving the body and blood of Christ, they themselves may become a living offering to God.

The intercessions follow. Confident in God's loving care, the gathered assembly makes this sacrifice on behalf of the living and the dead, for the leaders of the Church and for all the faithful.

The Eucharistic Prayer concludes with the Final Doxology. The celebrant makes the prayer through, in, and with Jesus, in union with the Holy Spirit, and presents it to God the Father. The people respond with the Great Amen a joyous affirmation of their faith and participation in this great sacrifice of praise.

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The Communion Rite follows the Eucharistic Prayer, leading the faithful to the Eucharistic table. The rite begins with the Lord's Prayer. Jesus taught this prayer to his disciples when they asked how to pray (cf. Mt 6:9-13, Lk 11:2-4). In this prayer, the people join their voices to pray for the coming of God's kingdom and to ask God to provide for our needs, forgive our sins, and bring us to the joy of heaven.

The Rite of Peace follows. The celebrant prays that the peace of Christ will fill our hearts, our families, our Church, our communities, and our world. As a sign of hope, the people extend to those around them a sign of peace. (to be continued)

> God bless you Canon John Y Batthula Parish Priest & Dean

AUGUST	TIME	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION & HOLY TRINITY			
SATURDAY 29TH	10.00 AM at HT Hethe	People of God	21st Sunday in ordinary time		
	6.00 PM IC	People of God			
SUNDAY 30TH	9.30 PM IC	Wilson Varghese (RIP) 1st anniversary			
	11.00 AM IC	Carolyn Lacobelli (RIP)			
	6.00 PM IC				
MONDAY 31ST	9.30 AM IC		Feria		
TUESDAY 1ST SEP	9.30 AM IC		Feria		
	2.00 PM	Divine Mercy Devotions	In Father Foynes Memorial Garden		
7.00 PM		Rosary - Zoom Platform			
WEDNESDAY 2ND	9.30 AM IC	Angus Forsyth Jnr (RIP)	Feria		
THURSDAY 3RD	9.30 AM IC		Feast of the St Gregory the Great Pope & D		
	7.00 PM	Scripture Group meets—ZOOM Platform			
FRIDAY 4TH	12 Noon IC	Alfred Smith (RIP)	Feria		
SATURDAY 5TH	10.00 AM at HT Hethe	People of God			
	6.00 PM IC	People of God	23rd Sunday in ordinary time		
SUNDAY 6TH	9.30 AM IC				
	11.00 AM IC	Cyril & Gertrude Hurst (RIP)			
	6.00 PM IC				

PARISH GIVING A BIG "THANK YOU" to all who have signed up to new Standing Orders (Direct Debit). Donations can also be made online to either of our two parishes through the Archdiocesan Website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/support-our-work. Select either "BICESTER" or "HETHE" on the dropdown menu and follow instructions. Alternatively, use your Offertory Envelopes each week. These can be placed in the donation box in church, or, if you would like to sign up for Standing Order, use the following details: NatWest Bank, Account No: 02342731; Sort Code: 51 70 15. Standing order forms can also be downloaded from the diocesan website above and then posted to me, Canon John Batthula, Henley House, 12 Causeway, Bicester OX26 6AW.

<u>CONFIRMATIONS AT HETHE:</u> Will be taking place on Saturday, 19th September 2020 at 12 Noon. His Lordship, Bishop William will be the principle celebrant.

<u>CONGRATULATIONS:</u> I would like to congratulate children who are making their First Holy Communion over the next few weeks.

PIETY SHOP: First Holy Communion cards, prayer books and other souvenirs. Although currently closed, orders can be placed via email to the parish office and collected and paid for at Mass times or by arrangement.

'THE OHTC ANNUAL RIDE AND STRIDE will take place on Saturday, 12 September. Sponsorship Forms are available from Tim Lane at tim.lane@live.co.uk / 01869 277523. 2020 has seen some remarkable examples of individuals raising funds by doing simple things that have achieved much. This year the organisers have suggested that if participants are unable to Ride and Stride on the day, they add up their daily exercise for a week and make that their contribution. Sponsorship raised is shared 50/50 between the OHTC and the Parish, so please consider supporting this fund-raising initiative'.

COLLECTING CONTACT DETAILS OF THOSE WHO COME TO CHURCH FOR NHS TRACK AND TRACE: Following government advice we now have to request a contact phone number from all those attending Mass, this is in case we need to trace you to inform you of a virus risk. These details will be kept for a period of 21 days, then destroyed. If you do not wish to provide your phone number, you will still be able to attend Mass, but we will still require details of your name.

GUIDELINES FOR STEWARDS

Please arrive half an hour before Mass commences to prepare and allow time afterwards to assist in vacating church of parishioners and sanitising all touched areas.

Please close the main doors after sign of peace.

Always observe the one way system, entrance is via Main doors, exit via side door via Memorial Garden.

Assist with managing procession for Holy Communion

Direct visitors to assigned seats/seating areas. Same households and bubbles are allowed to be seated together. Remember to give our Parish newsletter and remind them that they can place their offering/ donation into the casket at the entrance or the exit. No one should be allowed to stand at the back of the Church.

<u>GUIDELINES FOR PARISHIONERS</u> Please make sure that you follow the instructions of the stewards and all signage that is in place. If you arrive for Mass and you do not have a face covering you will not be allowed entrance (unless you are asthmatic or under 5). The celebrant will be obliged to stop mass if this obligation is ignored. Please be aware that the Church will be closed after each Mass **and there are no toilet facilities available. Offerings/Donations** can be placed in the casket/collection box at the entrance or exit.

We provide a separate Lectern for the reader. All Lectors please sanitize your hands before and after .

The Celebrant will not wear a face covering until it is time for the distribution of Holy Communion, but they will at that point.

Stewards will guide people forward for Holy Communion or a blessing. We would also like to remind people that their mask must cover their mouth and nose at all times, except to place the Eucharist/ Holy Communion in your mouth. (On approach remove face covering, stretch out hands, receive Holy Communion, move across, consume, re -apply face covering and return to place.)

Do not congregate either inside or outside of church before or at the end of Mass. Please maintain silence before and after Mass. The social distance of 1m Plus must be observed at all times, including before and after Mass.

MASS AT HETHE IS ON SATURDAY'S AT 10 AM.

If you would like to go for Mass at Holy Trinity, please contact Breff Kelly on 01280 702 500 or email him: *breffkelly@gmail.com* Please place your offering in the basket as you leave the Church through the Sacristy Door.

RIDE & STRIDE SATURDAY. 12TH SEPT: Every year Ride & Stride raises money for the maintenance of north Oxford's historic churches. Participants ride or walk to as many of the participating churches as they can, earning sponsorship for each one they visit (or else take part in some other sponsored activity). We already have a team of volunteers recruited as 'welcomers' to greet and 'sign in' participants as they arrive at Holy Trinity throughout the day. Now we need some fit and active parishioners to sign up for riding and striding and many generous parishioners to sponsor them. Michael Manetta will be riding gently around the environs of Hardwick, Cottisford and Fringford and Kevin D'Silva will be playing cricket in nearby Buckingham and seeks sponsorship for every run he makes. You can also sponsor the 'welcomers' for every hour they are on duty. So please sponsor them all and help make this a record year despite the present difficult circumstances.

MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AS STEWARDS AT ALL MASSES:

It's not too late to volunteer to help with stewarding at Mass. We need more Volunteers for Stewarding and cleaning the Church everyday after mass, especially at the weekend masses. Please get in touch with me if you would like to help us.

SEASON OF CREATION: Starts from 1st September to 10th October. Please say a prayer for the Creation and be mindful of our environment. (www.catholicclimatemovement.global)

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*

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Thank you for your ongoing support particularly in these difficult times!

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: K Cashman, Tim Charles, Joyce Thornley, Mary Ashley, John Dunn & Marie Ollive.

