The Catholic Parishes of



Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

And Holy Trinity @Hardwick Rd, HETHE OX27 8AW



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

Archbishop: **The Most Rev Bernard Longley**Area Episcopal Vicar: **Very Reverend Canon Paul Fitzpatrick**Dean of Banbury & Warwick Deanery & Parish Priest: **Very Rev. Canon John Y Batthula** BA, MA, Dip. Cat., MA Ed **Only for Confidential matters**

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays Year 1 5th to 12th February 2023 Psalter 1

Pope's Prayer Intention for February for parishes: We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity & welcome towards those most in need. .



FEBRUARY	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	STEWARDS
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
MON 6th	9.30am@Hethe	Wellbeing of Helen McDermott	Memorial of St Paul Miki and Companions Martyrs		
	12 Noon			M Daniel	
TUE 7th	8.00 am		Feria in Ordinary Time	Sisters	
WED 8th	9.30 am	Thanksgiving - Marissa Ramos	Feria in Ordinary Time	L Cleeve	
THUR 9th	9.30 am	Mr Andre Marie Mendes (RIP)	Feria in Ordinary Time	H King	
FRI 10th	11.00 am	Requiem Mass of Maria Stonell (RIP)	Memorial of St Scholastica, V		
SAT 11th	10.00 am	BAPTISMAL COURSE	Our Lady lourdes	St John Paul II Centre	
	Hethe 4.00 pm	Thanksgiving- Patricia Long (80th Birthday)		B Kelly/ R Deane	S Wilde/R Deane
	6.00 pm	People of the Parish	6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	H Henwood/R John	L Hattam/A Mutton
SUN 12th	9.00 am			P Cousins/S McCarthy	Brown Family
	11.00 am	John Dunn (RIP)		J Franta/ A Kearsley	Franta Family



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

PARISH OUTREACH GROUP: Please contact the Parish Office if you need some form of practical help -01869 252 277.







This week we pray for... SANCTUARY LIGHT: Int. Joe & Annie O'Rourke **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, & Jean McIntosh.

<u>IUBILEE CELEBRATIONS:</u> On Thursday 23rd March, we as a Catholic Community will mark the three fold celebrations: 80th anniversary of the establishment of the parish, 70th anniversary of Guild of St Stephen in the parish and 60th anniversary of the parish Church. To mark this occasion, our Archbishop, The Most Reverend Bernard Longley will join us and will be the principle celebrant at the Concelebrated Mass, at 7.00pm, followed by light supper in the Centre. I wish to invite all parishioners past and present and school community to join us in our jubilee celebrations.

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.

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.

COFFEE MORNING: Thank you all for coming for our monthly Coffee morning. Grateful for your support. Looking forward to seeing you all at future ones: March 3rd & April 14th.

WINNERS 100 CLUB FOR JANUARY 2023: £100 Neil and Ann Poole (99); £50 Paul Kallay (11); £25 Liz, Andy, Adam Snipe (24) There are now around 10 numbers available: contact paulcous@yahoo.com, or tel.01869 242838 for details of how to play - costs £5 per month, £60 for the year.

PIETY SHOP SALE Special offer during the month of February: CTS booklets: buy on get one free. Lots of topics in these very handy booklets. Come and have a browse!

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.

MASS INTENTIONS: My sincere thanks to those who continue to have Masses offered for families and loved ones. We are currently very short of Mass intentions, so please continue to request. Mass envelopes are available from the back of the Church/ Piety Shop or Parish Office.

CAKE & PRODUCE SALE AFTER MASS: On Sunday, 19th February after 9 am & 11 am Masses. Please support generously.

PARISH COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Pastoral Council - On Monday 13th February at 7pm Finance Council - On Monday 27th February at 7pm Jubilee Volunteer Group - Wednesday 1st March at 7pm

Teams for	5/2	12/2	19/2	26/2
Children lit. (4)	4	None Half term	None Half term	1
Coffee 9am (11)	5	6	7	8
Coffee 11am (7)	1	2	3	4
Flowers	Anne	Sandy	Sandy	



SYMPATHY Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maria Stonell aged 86 years. A Requiem Mass for Maria will take place on Friday, 10th February at 11am followed by Cremation at North Oxfordshire Crematorium. May she rest in peace.

Thomas McNally aged 85 yrs 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

John Dunn aged 79 yrs. John will be received into church on Thursday, 23rd February at 4pm and a Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Friday, 24th February at 1.30 pm, followed by cremation at Oxford crematorium. May he rest in peace.

Sean O'Neill will be received into Church on Sunday, 19th February at 4pm and a Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Monday, 20th February at 11 am., followed by burial in East & West Hagbourne. We express our condolences and assure our prayers to the family. May he rest in peace.

Cio Kisack of Hazel Grove, Bicester, aged 25 years died on 17th January. We express our condolences and offer our prayers to the family. Funeral details to be follow. 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

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 ON6/5/23 20th May: First Holy Communions (For St Mary's) 11 am

PARISH GIVING

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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.











Financial Information **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	£285	£147.53	£1185	£135	435
Hethe	£27		£186		22



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