



# The Catholic Parishes of Immaculate Conception @BICESTER

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## Sunday Cycle A - Weekdays - Year 1 Week beginning of 8th to 15th October 2023 Psalter 3

Pope's Prayer Intention for October: We pray for the church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.



OCTOBER	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTER	STEWARDS
SAT 7th	4.00 pm @Hethe	Wellbeing of Helen McDermott		R Deane		
Vigil Mass	6.00 pm		27th Sunday OT	H Henwood/volunteer	M & S Doherty	L Hattam/L O'Flynn
SUN 8th	9.00 am	People of the Parish		C St John/ volunteer	F Ostrowski/C Drew	Brown Family
	11.00 am	In Thanksgiving for Family - A Swanson Elle's 18th Birthday		I Ziegart/ H King	J & M Franta	Kokore Family
MON 9th	9.30 am @Hethe	Wellbeing of Helen McDermott	Feast of St John Henry Newman, P			
	10.00 am@ Hethe	<b>HETHE COFFEE MORNING</b>		St Philip's Hall		
	12 noon	Intentions of Canon John Batthula		M Daniel	J Kokore	
TUE 10th	9.00 am		Feria in O T	J Kokore	Frankie	
WED 11th	9.30 am (Chu)		Feria in O T	Lower Key stage 2		
THU 12th	9.30 am	Mark Mackenzie	Feria in O T	H King	Sr Rose	
	7.00 pm	<b>The Chosen - 6th Episode</b>				St JP II Centre
FRI 13th	12 noon	Hans & Elfriede Murowski (RIP)	Feria in O T	E King	Sr Anu	
	7.00 pm	<b>Banbury &amp; Warwick Deanery Clergy &amp; Laity Meeting on the Diocesan Vision</b>				Church & St JP II
SAT 14th	4.00 pm @Hethe		Feria in O T			
Vigil Mass	6.00 pm	People of the Parish		R John/C McArdle	J & D Jimerez	McArdle Family
SUN15th	9.00 am	Dorothy Waine (RIP) First Reconciliation Enrolment Rite	28th Sunday in OT	L & S Taylor	L & R Weaver	L Williams/ A Mutton
	11.00 am	Antonio Gomes (RIP)		C Tett/I Ziegart	J Kokore & F Ostrowski	Franta Family



**This week we pray for...**  
**SANCTUARY LIGHT: Andrew Jeanne (RIP) & Sruthi Int.**  
**OUR LADY'S LIGHT: Herbert Jeanne (RIP)**



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**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:

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Teams for	8/10	15/10	22/10	29/10	5/11	12/11
Children lit. (4)	2	none	none	none	3	4
Coffee 9am (10)	9	10	1	2	3	4
Coffee 11am (9)5	9	1	2	3	4	6
Flowers	Sally	Anita	Anita	Jo	Jo	Anne

**LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Mary Lynch, Victor Francis, K Cashman, Tim Charles, Helena Nowak & Jean McIntosh.

**ROSARY:** Daily 25 minutes before Mass starts.

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:** Every Tuesday at 2.00pm in Church

**BAPTISMS/WEDDINGS:** Please contact the Parish Office through email or phone.

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

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

**HOLY HOUR:** Every First Friday from 6.00pm to 7.00pm (Not during Lent)

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

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

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

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**FIRST RECONCILIATION ENROLMENT MASS:** On Sunday, 15th October during 9am Mass all children who are being prepared to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be enrolled. I ask for your prayers and support. I seek a real commitment from the families as their children begin an important journey.

**SISTER ANU:** After almost four years here in Bicester, Sr Anu will be going back to India on the 19th October to join her community and to resume teaching in their school. She would like to thank everyone for their support and kindness. We wish her safe journey home and we keep her in our prayers.

**THE CHOSEN:** "The Chosen" is a television drama based on the life of Jesus Christ, portraying Jesus "through the eyes of those who met him." The 6th episode is on **Thursday, 12th October** at 7pm in St John Paul II Centre. (Next episodes: 19th & 26th October)

**QUIZ NIGHT** A Quiz Night organised by the Catenians will be held on Saturday, 28th October at 7.30pm at the St John Paul II Centre. Tickets on sale now £5, students who are 16 and above £2. Available from the Catenians after masses and Piety Shop. Funds will be shared between Parish and Air Ambulance. Bar and snacks will be available.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** We are currently short of Mass intentions, so please continue to request. Mass envelopes are available from the back of the Church/ Piety Shop or Parish Office.

**PIETY SHOP** We currently have a selection of icons and statues, also various greeting cards, rosary beads, incense, CTS booklets and second hand religious books by well known authors. Come and have a browse.

**HOLY TRINITY HETHE** 'Monday Films' after 9.30am Mass in St Philip's Hall. All welcome! (No Video this coming Monday 9/10) however there is a **COFFEE MORNING** held at St Philips Hall, Hethe, Monday, 9th October from 10.00, all are welcome.

**GROW YOUR FAITH:** Find answers to questions you've ever wondered about.' This month we will be talking about 'How God found me'. We already have people prepared to share their experiences, some incredible, some less so, all equally valuable. Come and share your questions and experience with us. Is there something you are curious about but never really wanted to ask, this is the forum; you suggest the subjects and we can explore those ideas. This month it will be on **Wednesday, 18th October at 7-30pm** in the St John Paul II Centre. Very informal and ALL welcome, new catholics, long standing catholics and especially those who are not catholic.

**SPONSORING SANCTUARY LAMPS:** These lamps burn perpetually on the sanctuary (Blessed Sacrament) and in the Lady Chapel. Would you like one of these to burn in memory of a loved one, or for a particular intention? (Please note: one person/couple/intention per candle) If so, we are asking for a donation of £10 per week, which will go towards the costs of running the sacristy: candles and other necessities for the celebration of Mass. Please hand in to Parish Clergy, post through Henley House letter box or to Parish Sisters in an envelope marked 'Sanctuary Lamp Donation' together with a note stating your particular intention. The intentions will be placed in order as they are received & published in the weekly bulletin.

**COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS:** A commemorative brick can be purchased to commemorate or celebrate! It could be for an individual, family, anniversary, business, or purely because you are a parishioner. Please contact Lucia Hattam or complete a form from the back of church and return to the parish office. Bricks cost £250, payments in five instalments also accepted. The bricks will continue to 'grow up' the wall in the St John Paul II Centre and adorn it for generations to come. *Why not become a part of history of the parish?*

**CHURCH CLEANERS** we are appealing for more volunteers to come forward to help keep our church clean. There are teams of cleaners and individuals who come in regularly to clean. However, 'more hands make light work'. If you can spare a 2-3 hours a month then please get in touch with the parish office.

**INTERNET PROBLEMS** The Parish Office and JP11 are still experiencing internet problems. That unfortunately also means that we cannot livestream Masses. We apologise for any inconvenience.

**BGN OPEN EVENING** Sixth Form - 15th November 2023 at 6.30pm.

**THIS WEEK'S TIPS FROM OUR PARISH ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP:**

**Travel** Hold virtual work meetings via Zoom or Microsoft Teams instead of travelling. Walk or cycle for trips less than 3 miles. Stop flying. If you have relatives living abroad, restrict trips to once per year.

**APF MISSION SUNDAY** will take place on the weekend of 21st & 22nd October. Please bring your boxes to be emptied to the piety shop, Sisters or Parish Office or to Jim Bridle. Empty boxes to take can be found at the back of church.

**BICESTER FOOD BANK** We now have a dedicated crate in the church porch to collect food for the Bicester Food Bank. Please be generous in your giving of non-perishable foods. Thank you.

#### HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Our pilgrimage to the Holy Land will take place from 27th Nov to 4th Dec 2023. Half board £1498 per person sharing a room. Single rooms incur a supplement of £325. Flights from London Luton. You can book online: <https://www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/HL0801>  
Coach transfers from church to airports will incur extra costs.

### Dates to remember

#### October

15th First Reconciliation Commitment Mass at 9 am  
13th: Deanery Clergy & Laity meeting at 70m. (Diocesan Vision)  
28th Parish & Catenians Joint Quiz Night

#### November:

4th Filipino Day of Prayer  
12th Confirmation Commitment Mass at 9 am  
14th Annual Mass for the deceased Clergy of the Deanery  
19th November: Annual Christmas Fayre after 9 am & 11 am Masses.  
27th Nov - 4th Dec: Pilgrimage to Holy Land

### 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 Bathhula: 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

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### Financial Information

#### SECOND COLLECTIONS

7th/8th October : CAFOD Fast Day

15th/16th : Parish Maintenance

21st/22nd: APF World Mission Sunday

28th/29th October: Parish Maintenance

4th/5th November: Sick & Retired Clergy - Johnson Association

Church	First Collection	Second Collection	Standing Orders	Tap & Go Donations	Mass Attendance
Bicester	£413.95	£174.91	£1165	£145	420
Hethe	£43.10		£170		26

**Gift Aid it!!- you could add 25% to the value of your donation. Contact the Parish Gift Aid Co-ordinator Sr Anu; or speak to me. (Canon John)**



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