

# CATHOLIC BICESTER

www.immaculate-conception.org.uk

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

HENLEY HOUSE, 12 CAUSEWAY  
BICESTER OX26 6AW

## HOLY TRINITY

HARDWICK ROAD, HETHE  
Near BICESTER OX27 8AW

## ST JOHN PAUL II CENTRE

01869 324 307  
www.johnpaulcentre.co.uk  
info@johnpaulcentre.co.uk

### Dean of Banbury Deanery & Parish Priest:

Very Rev. Canon John Y Batthula BA, MA, Dip. Cat., MA Ed

**Assistant Priest:** Rev. Fr. Linh Ta Hanh Nguyen BA STB

**Retired Priest:** Rev. Fr. Pat Armstrong

**Parish Deacons:** Rev Mr Michael Panejko MA- 01869 246 459,

Rev Mr Nick St John - 01869 246 787

**Parish Sisters:** Sr Rose, Sr Sherly & Sr Sani: 01869 327689

**Parish Office:** Mon - Fri During summer holidays please phone beforehand.

admin@immaculate-conception.org.uk 01869 253277

For Sacraments - contact Parish Office.

**Parish Safeguarding:** Elizabeth Green  
email: safeguardingbicester@gmail.com or  
hethesafeguard@gmail.com

St Mary's RC Primary School, Queen's Avenue, Bicester, OX26 2NX

**Head Teacher:** Miss. P. Pickering Tel: 01869 252 035

**BREVIARY: WEEK 2 OF PSALTER (YEAR B)**

**SATURDAY 4TH TO SUNDAY 12TH AUGUST 2018**

*Sunday Masses* can be viewed live on **YouTube**, go to: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuZ6QPQg\\_yS\\_grbqgt7f2jg/live](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuZ6QPQg_yS_grbqgt7f2jg/live)

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

AUGUST 2018	TIME	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	TIME	HOLY TRINITY	INFORMATION
SATURDAY 4TH	5.15 PM	Rosary, Litany & Angelus			
	6.00 PM	Kitty Hornby (RIP)			
SUNDAY 5TH	9.00 AM	Cristina Milia (RIP)	10.00 AM	The People of The Parish	<b>EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
	11.00 AM	People of The Parish			
MONDAY 6TH	12 NOON	Pat Donohoe (RIP)	9.30 AM		Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord
TUESDAY 7TH	9.30 AM	Michael McMahon (RIP)		No Mass	Feria
	2.00 PM	<b>DIVINE MERCY</b>			
WEDNESDAY 8TH	9.30 AM	In thanksgiving		No Mass	Mem of St Dominic, P
THURSDAY 9TH	9.30 AM			No Mass	Feast of St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross ( Edith Stein), V M P
FRIDAY 10TH	10.00-11.45 AM	Coffee Morning	9.30 AM		Feast of St Lawrence, Deacon, M
	12.00 NOON	Intentions of Elizabeth Green			
SATURDAY 11TH	9.30 AM (BP)	Welfare of the Prisoners and their families		No Mass	Mem of St Clare, V
	10.15AM	Service of Word with Communion			
	5.15 PM	Rosary, Litany & Angelus			
	6.00 PM	People of The Parish			
SUNDAY 12TH	9.00 AM	Ints of Children's Liturgy Catechists	10.00 AM	The People of The Parish	<b>NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
	11.00 AM	Ints of Jane & Michael Waine	12 NOON		Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form)

We cannot have the joys of a new world without abandoning the comforts of the old world. Instead of going forward towards the Promised Land the Jews continued to hanker after the "fleshpots of Egypt". After having fed the people with ordinary bread Jesus offered them something far better - "the bread of eternal life", but they didn't want to know. We ourselves are reluctant to go beyond material things.

Yet what God offers us is much better.

**First Reading** (Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15). God feeds his people in the desert by sending them manna and quails. This became the classic example of his care for his people.

**Second Reading** (Ephesians 4: 17, 20-24). Paul urges the Ephesians to turn aside from the aimless life they lived before they heard the Gospel, and to live lives of goodness, holiness, and truth.

**Gospel** (John 6:24-35). Jesus declares that he himself is the true bread from heaven of which the manna provided by Moses was but a pale image.

God bless you  
**Canon John Y Batthula**

**CONFESSIONS**  
Saturday  
5.00 pm - 5.30 pm

**EXPOSITION**  
Sunday  
5.00 pm - 6.00 pm

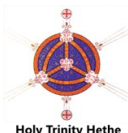
**ROSARY**  
Mon - Thur. 9.30 am  
Fri. 12.30 pm  
Sat. 10.45 am

**Youth Group** (Term Time)  
Monday 7.15 pm

**Divine Mercy**  
Tuesday 2.00pm

**COFFEE & TEA**  
**IC** Sundays  
After 9.00 am and  
11.00 am Masses

**HT** after 10.00 am  
Mass



# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

**CATENIAN:** 2ND THURSDAY  
**TRADECRRAFT:** 3RD WEEKEND  
**100 CLUB DRAW:** LAST SUNDAY  
**CAMEO LADIES GROUP:**  
 Kings Arms, Saturdays 10.30 am:  
 28th July, 25th August 22nd.  
**MONTHLY LUNCH:** TUESDAYS:  
 28th Aug; 25th Sept; 23rd Oct; 20th  
 Nov, (not 27th), 11th Dec.  
**MONTHLY COFFEE:** 2ND FRIDAY  
 10th Aug; 14th Sept; 12th Oct; 9th  
 Nov; 14th Dec.  
**ALL VOLUNTEERS IN THE PARISH**  
 Mass at 7.00pm followed by Cheese  
 and Wine Evening - 7th September

## LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: K Cashman, C Hall.

Due to the **New Data Protection Regulations** anyone wishing to be listed here will need to contact the Parish Office **personally** by email to:  
 admin@immaculate-conception.org.uk or if you are unable to email then by phone:  
 01869 253 277.

## WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 21-26 AUGUST 2018

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES takes place in Dublin in August with Pope Francis. The theme is 'The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World.' The Archdiocese is sending 100 representatives who will take petitions from all who wish to write one and hopefully present them in the final Mass to his Holiness. Archbishop Bernard will accompany over 100 pilgrims, made up of 20 sponsored families from across the Diocese, to Dublin for the World Meeting of Families. Petitions can be emailed to Lianne Pap (Diocesan Family Ministry Worker) - [lianne.pap@rc-birmingham.org](mailto:lianne.pap@rc-birmingham.org) by August 19th. Petitions can be for yourself, family, friends or for anyone who may be in need of prayers.

**YEAR FOR PRIESTS:** This is an opportunity to pray for priests you have encountered in your life, some of them might have become friends. Please also pray for vocations to the priesthood. There will be ample opportunities to pray as a community with the Eucharistic Lord. During this year I also hope to invite priests who have ministered here at Bicester and Hethe to our parish.

**OHCT RIDE & STRIDE - SATURDAY - 8 SEPTEMBER - 10.00 AM TO 6.00 PM**  
 Sponsorship Forms are now available. If you are able to Ride, Stride or Welcome visitors from other churches and parishes for an hour or two please contact Tim Lane on 01869 277523. 50% of all sponsorship raised is passed on to Parish Funds, so please enjoy some exercise and support this terrific day if you possibly can.

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATIONS 2018—2019:** Dates for the Sacraments are now available on the website and at the back of church.

**PIETY SHOP** The shop is open around weekend Mass times. There are plenty of CTS booklets in stock as well as greeting cards, religious children's books and a wide range of gifts. Come and have a browse. Items can be ordered, please just ask.

## COFFEE MORNING—FRIDAY 10TH AUGUST

Come for a chat and coffee to the next coffee morning on Friday, 10th August from 10.00 am at the John Paul II Centre. We look forward to seeing you there!

**WINNERS 100 CLUB** drawn on Sun 29 July 2018. £100 Clare Whitehead-89. £50 Caitlin McArdle-88. £25 Barbara Nichols-12. Many thanks to all of you for taking part.

Teams for Sunday the:	5/8	12/8	19/8	26/8	2/9
Counting (7)	4	5	6	7	1
Cleaning (7) no 5	4	6	7	1	2
Children lit. (5)	none	none	none	none	3
Coffee 9am (14)	4	5	6	7	8
Coffee 11am (8)	5	6	7	8	1
Flowers	Sally	Sally 15th Sandy	Sandy	Jo	Jo
Tradecraft			Open		

## Safeguarding in the Archdiocese of Birmingham: SCIE Review

Archbishop Bernard Longley has commissioned a review of our current safeguarding/child protection practices in light of the National Catholic Policies and Procedures. This review is to be welcomed as a means of ensuring that our systems to protect our children and young people are as effective as possible. This review is being conducted by an independent charity called SCIE (Social Care Institute for Excellence). As part of the review, SCIE would like to speak with any individuals who have had experience with any safeguarding issues within the Archdiocese, and have experience of working with our parish safeguarding representatives and the safeguarding team at the Archdiocese. Anyone who is impacted by abuse issues can contact the safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 (emergency out of hours 07976 516629). If you are able to contribute to this important review and share your experiences with SCIE then please contact Hugh Constant ([Hugh.Constant@scie.org.uk](mailto:Hugh.Constant@scie.org.uk) or 020 7766 7374 or 07872 602207).

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST: The Treasure of Families.** August is the best month for taking your foot of the 'work pedal' a bit and concentrating on family. Older member families won't be around forever, and if we are not careful we will be left with regrets that we left things unsaid. All too quickly our children grown up and leave the nest, and if we are not careful we will have missed out on things we wished we had shared. The 'here and now' is the best time to celebrate family life. Family life is important. It's within our own families that we build each other's sense of value. It's within our own families that we grow stronger. This month we are invited to share Pope Francis' prayer intention, "... **That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.**"

## HOLY TRINITY - HETHE

**SICK** Let us remember those who are unwell at this time in our prayers. **Ride & Stride** takes place on Saturday 8th September this year and we really do need a few determined parishioners to take part and to get busy signing up sponsors. A good route, (merely a suggestion) would be to start at St Mary's Hardwick, ride or stride to our church at Hethe, then to Hethe's Anglican church and finish off at the Anglican church in Fringford. 'Riders' (as opposed to 'Striders'), might even have sufficient energy remaining to ride to Immaculate Conception at Bicester as a grand finale.

**Open Day, Flower Festival and Display of Vestments** will be held here at Holy Trinity, Hethe, on the weekend of 8th & 9th of September. On Sunday 9th, the final day of the Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on our altar from after the 12.00 noon Mass until 5.00pm when the celebration will finish with Benediction. Needless to say this is a very important couple of days in our parish life and helpers are needed. Please see the helpers' list at the back of church (beside St Francis) and sign up.

**THE AFTERNOON TEA** fundraiser raised £240.40 for church funds. Congratulations and sincere thanks to Jackie Flynn and Sue Wilde who did all the planning and all the work as well.

**Attendance** 29th July: 10.00 am 32. Noon 20. .

**Cash Collection:** 10.00 am -£54.70. 12.00 noon - £10am: £23.40.

Hethe	5/8	12/8	19/8	26/8	2/9
Lector	V Barnes	M Manetta	K D'Silva	P Lee	R Deane

## SECOND COLLECTIONS

**AUGUST**  
 For  
 Parish Maintenance



## PARISH OFFERINGS

1st G Aid : £245.00  
 1st Loose: £320.82  
 2nd G Aid £111.72  
 2nd Loose: £174.21  
**Total £851.75**

*In thanksgiving to God and for the work of His Church*

This weekend : 5/8	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Lector	Lector	Welcomer	Welcomer	Attendance last week
<b>Saturday 6.00 pm</b>	Sr Rose	J Marshall	S Wilde	S Haydon	A Nelson	H Lawlor	K Gosling	G & P Sims	<b>94</b>
<b>Sunday 9.00 am</b>	C Conlon	C Conlon	Sr Sherly	volunteer	P Cousins		M & A Brown		<b>150</b>
<b>Sunday 11.00 am</b>	J Kokore	J Kokore	S Lawrence	volunteer	M Lawrence	E Green	J Tuttle		<b>150</b>
<b>Next weekend: 12/8</b>								<b>Total</b>	<b>394</b>
<b>Saturday 6.00 pm</b>	K Gosling	Sr Rose	Sr Sherly	H Johnson	K Kallay	P Kallay	M Marrs	T Behan	
<b>Sunday 9.00 am</b>	L Weaver	R Weaver	J Castillo	volunteer	M Brown	E Penhallow	M Nugent		
<b>Sunday 11.00 am</b>	F Thornely	E King	H King	Clergy	T O'Callaghan	J Hurst	T & N Lane		