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BREVIARY: WEEK 2 OF PSALTER (YEAR C) SATURDAY 16TH FEBRUARY TO SUNDAY 24TH FEBRUARY 2019

Sunday Masses can be viewed live on **YouTube**, go to: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuZ6QPQg_yS_grbqgt7f2jg/live

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

FEBRUARY 2019	TIME	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	TIME	HOLY TRINITY	INFORMATION
SATURDAY 16TH	5.15 PM	Rosary, Litany & Angelus			
	6.00 PM	For the recovery of Richard Anthony O'Rourke			
SUNDAY 17TH Racial Justice Day	9.00 AM	Francis William (RIP)			Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
	11.00 AM	People of the Parish	10.00AM	People of the Parish	
	5.00-6.00 PM	Holy Hour			Vespers & Benediction
MONDAY 18TH	9.30 AM	Gertrude Hurst (RIP)	9.30 AM		Feria in Ordinary Time
TUESDAY 19TH	8.00 AM	John O'Grady (RIP)		NO MASS	Feria in Ordinary Time
	2.00 PM	Divine Mercy Chaplet		NO MASS	Feria in Ordinary Time
WEDNESDAY 20TH	9.30 AM	Celebrant's Intentions		NO MASS	Feria in Ordinary Time
THURSDAY 21ST	9.30AM (Chu)	Celebrant's Intentions		NO MASS	
FRIDAY 22ND	12 NOON	Celebrant's Intentions	9.30 AM		Feast of the Chair of St Peter, A
	7.30 PM	MEN'S NIGHT			ST JOHN PAUL II CENTRE
SATURDAY 23RD	9.30 AM (BP)	Welfare of the Prisoners and their families		NO MASS	Mem of St Polycarp, B M
	10.15 AM	Eba Emma (RIP) 3rd Anniversary			
	5.15 PM	Rosary, Litany & Angelus			
	6.00 PM	Tom & Betty Watkins (RIP)			
SUNDAY 24TH	9.00 AM	People of the Parish			Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
	11.00 AM		10.00AM	People of the Parish	
	5.00-6.00 PM	Holy Hour			Vespers & Benediction

LITURGY OF THE WORD - REFLECTIONS IN BRIEF:

First Reading (Jeremiah 17:5-8). The life of those who trust in man is as precarious as that of a shrub growing in the desert. Whereas the life of those who trust in God is as sure as that of a tree growing by the waterside.

Second Reading (1 Cor 15: 12, 16-20). The resurrection of Christ is the foundation on which our faith and hope rest.

Gospel (Luke 6: 17, 20-26): This contains Luke's version of the Beatitudes. (Whereas Matthew has nine beatitudes, Luke has only four, with however four corresponding 'woes'). Christ faced people with a radical choice: they could either take the way of this world and its values (the pursuit of money, pleasure, popularity, power, prestige ...) or they could take his way and live by the values of the Kingdom (poverty of spirit, cleanness of heart, capacity to show mercy, suffering in the cause of right ...). This choice is put very starkly in the Gospel we just read.

Canon John Y Batthula
Parish Priest & Dean

CONFESSIONS

Saturday

5 pm - 5.30pm

ROSARY

Mon - Thur. 9.30 am

Fri. 12.30 pm

Sat. 10.45 am

HOLY HOUR

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SUNDAYS 5-6PM

Divine Mercy

Tuesday 2.00pm

Youth Group

(Term Time)

Monday 7.15 pm

COFFEE & TEA

IC Sunday's

After 9am and 11am

Masses

HT after 10 am Mass



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CATENIANS: Contact Peter Sims
01869 249638.

TRADECRAFT: 3RD WEEKEND
100 CLUB DRAW: LAST SUNDAY

MEN'S NIGHT: Third Friday of the month
RCIA Tuesdays, in the St John Paul II from
8pm-9pm.

CAMEO LADIES GROUP: Kings Arms,
Last Saturday of the month for coffee, cake &
chat. Do join us!

COFFEE MORNINGS: Fridays 10am-11.45am:
March 8th, April 12th, May 10th, June 14th,
July 12th, August 9th, Sept 13th, Oct 11th,
Nov 8th, Dec 6th.

LUNCHESES: Tuesdays 12 noon. Feb 26th,
March 26th, April 23rd, May 28th, June 25th,
July 23rd, Aug - none, Sept 24th, Oct 22nd.

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

K Cashman, C Hall,
Mary Anne Last.

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.

A PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE (MEXICO): Led by
Canon John, from, **please note change of date:** 14th to 22nd October
2019 (9 days/ 7 nights). Only £1598 (HB) per person. Booking and
itinerary forms are available from the Parish Office and can be found at
the back of the church. Deposit deadline has been extended to February
15th. Need help to decide? 'Message of Guadalupe' CTS booklet is now
available in the piety shop £2.95. Other pilgrim guides also available.

PARISHIONER FORMS If you are new to the parish we would love to
know that you are here! Please take a moment to fill out the form which
can be found at the back of church in amongst all the leaflets and deliver
completed to any of the clergy or parish office. Thank you.

NEW GIFT AID ENVELOPES & STANDING ORDERS: As the new tax
year will soon be upon us, we would like to ask current, and any poten-
tial new gift aiders, if they would kindly consider setting up a standing
order for their contributions instead of using envelopes. The Archdio-
cese is gradually trying to cut down on the use of envelopes as the stand-
ing order system is a more effective system and cuts down on a huge
amount of work. We would be grateful therefore if you could make this
change. Please contact the parish office or speak to Canon John if you
need any assistance with this. Standing order forms are available at the
back of church and online, however, simple BACS arrangements online
are just as easy to arrange through your own online banking systems
using the following details. Ref: Your surname & current gift aid number
(this can be found on the envelopes you are currently using) Account
Number: 02342731. Sort Code: 517015. NatWest Bank, 1-7
Manorsfield Road, Bicester OX26 6DA. Account Name: RCA Birmingham
Immaculate Conception Bicester Reg Charity.

FAIRTRADE: Fairtrade Fortnight 2019 will run from 25th February
until 10th March. It is the highlight of the Fairtrade year when cam-
paigners, businesses, schools and churches show their support for the
farmers and workers who grow our food in developing countries. This
year Bicester Fairtrade Group is hosting a Big Brew Afternoon Tea on
Wednesday 27th February in Bicester Methodist Church Hall from 2.00
to 4.00pm. Why not come along and enjoy a cup of Fairtrade Tea or Caf-
fee and delicious cake made from Fairtrade ingredients. For further in-
formation see posters at the back of the Church.

LENT SOUP LUNCHESES in aid of the Bathula Care Trust and CAFOD.
Hosts required. Please see poster in the Church Porch.

Teams for Sunday the:	17/2	24/2	3/3	10/3	17/3	24/3	31/3
Counting (7)	4	5	6	7	1	2	3
Cleaning (7) no 5	2	3	4	6	7	1	2
Children lit. (5)	2	3	4	5	1	2	3
Coffee 9am (14)	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Coffee 11am (7)	2	3	4	5	6	7	1
Flowers	Sandy	Anne	Magda	Lent	Lent	Lent	Lent
Tradecraft	open				open		

APF/MISION BOXES Please empty your boxes and deliver your
donations to the piety shop or parish office. Thank you.

MENS NIGHT: On Friday 22nd February in St John Paul II Centre.
From 7.30pm to 10.00pm All are welcome.

GRAND JUMBLE SALE: To be held in St John Paul II Centre on Sat-
urday 23rd March 2019 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm. Please start
thinking how you could support to make our Jumble Sale a very
successful one.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER On Friday March 1st 2019 starting at
10.30am in the Methodist Church. Come and join this ecumenical
worldwide wave of prayer devised by the women of Slovenia. All
are welcome. Please see poster in the porch

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES, which takes place from
Saturday 25 to Friday 31 May 2019. If you require any further
information, please contact Mrs Trish Brookes in the Lourdes Pil-
grimage Office on 0121 230 6288 or email [ad-
min.lourdes@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:ad-min.lourdes@rcaob.org.uk).

MONTHLY LUNCH: On Tuesday 26th February 2019 from 12
Noon at the St John Paul II Centre. All are invited to come along.
Freshly cooked and it is very delicious. Look forward to welcom-
ing you.

MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING: My sincere thanks to Jackie and
others who support her in organizing the event every month. My
thanks also those who come along to support. Total raised
£289.67

HOLY HOURS: Every Sunday and every First Friday of the month,
Holy Hour is taking place. It is an opportunity for all of us to spend
some time with the Eucharistic Lord and to pray for your family
and parish community. I therefore would like to encourage you all
to come and join the Sisters and Clergy of the Parish.

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SICK Let us remember those who are unwell at this time in our
prayers.

COUNTERS: I am looking for some volunteers who could help us to
Count Sunday offerings. That way you could help me to follow the Char-
ity Commission regulations.

TALKS IN ST PHILIPS HALL: Our next talk will be given by author
Fiorella Nash M.Phil (Cantab) and the title of her talk is 'Radical Femi-
nism - Blessing or not?' Saturday 2nd March at 11.00am in St Philip's
Hall.

MONDAY FILMS resume to-morrow 18th February with the showing of
the first part of Steve Ray's documentary on St Peter (30 minutes).

ALTAR LINEN: Please consider volunteering to help with the washing
and ironing of the altar linen, a most rewarding work. Please contact Jill
Kelly for details - 01280 702500 or jillbeatricekelly@yahoo.co.uk.

Hethe	17/2	24/2	3/3	10/3	17/3
Lector	V Barnes	M Manetta	K D'Silva	P Lee	R Deane

SECOND COLLECTIONS

FEBRUARY
All weekends—
Parish Maintenance

PARISH OFFERINGS

1st G Aid: £ 264.00
1st Loose: £ 440.34
2nd G Aid: £ 119.62
2nd Loose: £ 190.70

Total **£ 1014.66** + SO

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



This weekend :17/2	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Lector	Lector	Welcomer	Welcomer	Attendance last week
Saturday 6pm	J Marshall	S Wilde	K Gosling	J Varghese	K Kallay	P Kallay	Thompson	Family	103
Sunday 9am	G Andrade	N Andrade	A Mutton	Clergy	P Cousins	Volunteer	N & G Andrade		252
Sunday 11am	F Thornley	Sr Rose	H King	Clergy	J Willett	E Green	Kokore	Family	179
Next weekend: 24/2									TOTAL: 536
Saturday 6.00pm	S Wilde	Sr Rose	S Joseph	H Johnson	A O'Neill	A O'Neill	G & P sims		
Sunday 9am	C Conlon	C Conlon	B Nichols	Clergy	K Gore	C St John	C Moyses	M Daniel	
Sunday 11am	M Lynch	J Hanna	Sr Sherly	Clergy	T O'Callaghan	J Hurst	M Lynch		