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BREVIARY: WEEK 3 OF PSALTER (YEAR C) SATURDAY 23RD FEBRUARY TO SUNDAY 3RD MARCH 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 23RD	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	Celebrant's Intentions	10.00AM	People of the Parish	
	5.00-6.00 PM	Holy Hour			Vespers & Benediction
MONDAY 25TH	12 NOON	Alfred Smith (RIP)	9.30 AM	Celebrant's Intentions	Feria in Ordinary Time
	7.15PM-8.30PM	Youth Group - Yr 7			St John Paul II Centre
TUESDAY 26TH	9.30 AM	Celebrant's Intentions		NO MASS	Feria in Ordinary Time
	12 NOON	Monthly Lunch			St John Paul II Centre
	2.00 PM	Divine Mercy Chaplet			Church
WEDNESDAY 27TH	9.30 AM	Mrs Bernadette Ross		NO MASS	Feria in Ordinary Time
THURSDAY 28TH	9.30 AM	Celebrant's Intentions		NO MASS	Feria in Ordinary Time
MARCH FRIDAY 1ST	9.30AM	Woman's World Day of Prayer For all women.	9.30 AM	Celebrant's Intentions	Feast of St David, B, Patron of Wales
	12 NOON	Celebrant's Intentions			Feria in Ordinary Time
	7PM-8PM	HOLY HOUR - FIRST FRIDAY			Vespers & Benediction
SATURDAY 2ND	9.30 AM (BP)	Prisoners and their families		NO MASS	
	10.15 AM	Celebrant's Intentions			
	5.15 PM	Rosary, Litany & Angelus			
SUNDAY 3RD	6.00 PM	People of the Parish			Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
	9.00 AM	Nancy Spencer- 95th Birthday			
	11.00 AM	Mrs Bernadette Ross - Followed by Baptisms	10.00AM	People of the Parish	
	5.00-6.00 PM	Holy Hour			Vespers & Benediction

LITURGY OF THE WORD - REFLECTIONS IN BRIEF:

'Treat others (even your enemies) as you would like them to treat you.' These words are taken from today's Gospel. We know exactly how we like others to treat us: we like them to be forgiving, merciful, generous and loving towards us. But how many of us could say that we treat others in that way?

In this Gospel Christ is asking us to be totally open, not just to our friends, but to all, even our enemies. A tall order surely? This openness calls for a large measure of defenselessness. It's easy, by adopting a vindictive attitude, to become poisoned by selfishness, hatred and fear. Hate robs us of so much. Whereas love awakens in us extraordinary energies and helps us to do what we thought we were incapable of. But is it possible, is it even desirable, to love someone who intends us evil?

Canon John Y Batthula
Parish Priest & Dean

CONFESSIONS

Saturday

5 pm - 6.30pm

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



Holy Trinity, Hethe



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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 amongst all the leaflets and deliver
completed to any of the clergy or parish office. Thank you.

APF/MISION BOXES Please empty your boxes and deliver your
donations to the piety shop 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 Chrtly.

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.

Teams for Sunday the:	24/2	3/3	10/3	17/3	24/3	31/3	7/4	14/4 Palm
Counting (7)	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5
Cleaning (7) no 5	3	4	6	7	1	2	3	4
Children lit. (5)	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Coffee 9am (14)	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Coffee 11am (7)	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3
Flowers	Anne	Magda	Lent	Lent	Lent	Lent	Lent	Kathryn & Sisters
Tradecraft				open				

This weekend :24/2	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Lector	Lector	Welcomer	Welcomer	Attendance last week
Saturday 6pm	S Wilde	Sr Rose	S Joseph	H Johnson	A O'Neill	A O'Neill	G & P Sims		103
Sunday 9am	C Conlon	C Conlon	B Nichols	Clergy	K Gore	C St John	C Moyses	M Daniel	149
Sunday 11am	M Lynch	J Hanna	Sr Sherly	Clergy	T O'Callaghan	J Hurst	M Lynch		176
Next weekend: 3/3									TOTAL: 428
Saturday 6.00pm	B Thompson	M Kelly	I Foley	M John	J Vaughan	P Sims	M Marrs	T Behan	
Sunday 9am	L Weaver	R Weaver	Clergy	volunteer	L Taylor	R McDonald	A Mutton	B Nichols	
Sunday 11am	J Kokore	J Kokore	S Lawrence	Clergy	I Ziegart	I Cook	volunteer	Volunteer	

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

GRAND JUMBLE SALE: To be held in St John Paul II Centre on Saturday
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 Pilgrimage Office on 0121 230
6288 or email admin.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 welcoming you.

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 com-
munity. I therefore would like to encourage you all to come and join the
Sisters and Clergy of the Parish.

ZZAP NIGHT on 1st March from 7.30pm in the Conference Room.

ANOTHER ZZAP! DAY is a retro video gaming event suitable for all ages.
Play over 40 retro consoles, computers and board games! Test your skills
in our video gaming contests! Hot food, snacks and licensed bar! **SAT-
URDAY, 28th APRIL 2019 AT JP II CENTRE** Tickets £5 per person for
all day entry (10am - 8pm) available on the door. You can also buy tick-
ets in advance without the booking fee from St John Paul II Parish office,
St Mary's School office and the Piety Shop. Keep up-to-date with the
event at [ZZAP! Retro Gaming Event](#) Charity fundraising event in aid of the
parish Youth Worker appeal.

PARISH AND CENTRE ACCOUNTS: The weekend of 9th & 10th March I
will be presenting the 2018 accounts at all three Masses. My sincere
thanks to all parishioners for your support and love for the Church.

PARISH YOUTH WORKER: Interviews are taking place this coming
Thursday. Please pray that we may take the right decision in appointing
our Parish Youth Worker.

HOLY TRINITY - HETHE

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

Attendance: 37 Cash Collection: £ 89.40 2nd Coll: £14.40 Racial Justice
Talks in St Philip's Hall this Saturday: The next talk is on this coming
Saturday 2nd March at 11.00am in St Philip's Hall. Our speaker is Ms
Fiorella Nash M.Phil. whose talk is on the subject of Feminism.

Monday Films: The second part (30 minutes) of Steve Ray's documen-
tary on St Peter will be shown to-morrow after 9.30am Mass.

Cash collection counters:

24/2 3/3 10/3 17/3 24/3 31/3 7/4
J.Bore K.d'Silva P.Lee M.Manetta B.DeweMathews D.McDermott J.Wilde

Hethe	24/2	3/3	10/3	17/3	24/3	31/3	7/4	14/4
Lector	M Manetta	K D'Silva	P Lee	R Deane	B Drewe Matthews	D McDermott	V Barnes	M Manetta

SECOND COLLECTIONS

FEBRUARY

This weekend - Parish Maintenance

MARCH

3rd Cathedral Maintenance

17th CAFOD

10th/24th/31st

Parish Maintenance

PARISH OFFERINGS

1st G Aid: £ 315.53

1st Loose: £ 272.80

2nd G Aid: £ 124.81

2nd Loose: £ 138.19

Total **£ 851.33 + SO**

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

