

THE PARISHES OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION AND THE HOLY TRINITY

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BREVIARY: WEEK 1 OF PSALTER (YEAR B) SATURDAY 3RD TO SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2018

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

FEBRUARY		BICESTER		нетне	OTHER
SATURDAY 3rd	5.15 PM	Rosary, Litany & Angelus			
	6.00 PM	Julia Chapman (RIP)			
SUNDAY 4th	9.00 AM	The People of the Parish - School Mass	10.00 AM	People of the Parish	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
	11.00 AM	Doreen Furlong (RIP)	12 NOON		Tridentine (Latin) Rite
			5.00 PM	HOLY HOUR	VESPERS AND BENEDICTION
MONDAY 5th	12 NOON	Julia Chapman (RIP)	9.30 AM		Mem of St Agatha, V, M
	7.15-8.15 PM	Youth Group			
TUESDAY 6th	10.00 AM	Funeral Mass—Bill Stonell RIP	7.00 PM		Mem of St Paul Miki & Companions, M
	2.00 PM	DIVINE MERCY			
WEDNESDAY 7th	9.30 AM (SCH)	Louisa Hook (RIP)		NO MASS	Feria
	6.00 PM	Reception of Body—Julia Chapman (RIP)			
THURSDAY 8th	10.30 AM	Funeral Mass—Julia Chapman (RIP)	9.30 AM		Feria
FRIDAY 9th	10-11.45AM	Coffee Morning	9.30 AM		Feria
	12 NOON	JPII Volunteers (with thanks)			
SATURDAY 10th	9.30 AM BP	Welfare of the Prisoners and their families		NO MASS	Mem of St Scholastica, V
	10.15 AM				
	5.15 PM	Rosary, Litany & Angelus			
	6.00 PM	Rodeluvin Family (thanks for January salary)			
SUNDAY 11th	9.00 AM	The People of the Parish	10.00 AM	People of the Parish	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
	11.00 AM	William Swanson (RIP) followed by Baptisms	12 NOON		Tridentine (Latin) Rite
	5.00 PM	HOLY HOUR			VESPERS AND BENEDICTION

REFLECTIONS: Most of us live very busy lives. We devote very little time to prayer and reflection on our lives. The result is that many of us live very restless and spiritually impoverished lives. Today's Gospel shows us how in the midst of his most pressing work Jesus took time out to pray and to restore his energies. We need to do the same.

First Reading (Job 7:1-4. 6-7): Job is wrestling with the problem of why the innocent should suffer. As a result of his own sufferings he takes a rather pessimistic view of live.

Second Reading (1 Cor 9: 16-19, 22-23): St Paul tells how he has made himself all things to all people in order to bring them the Good News of salvation.

Gospel (Mark 1:29-39): In the midst of all his activities of teaching and healing Christ finds it necessary to escape to a lonely place to pray.

God bless You

Canon John Y Batthula Parish Priest

Confession: Bicester: Saturday's from 5.00 pm - 5.30pm Hethe: Sunday's from 5.15 pm - 5.45 pm Refreshments: Bicester: Served in John Paul II Centre after 9am & 11 am Masses. Hethe: After 10am Mass in Hall.

DIARY DATES - BICESTER

CATENIANS meet every second Thursday of the month - contact 01869 249638.

TRADECRAFT Stall open every 3rd weekend of the month.

YOUTH GROUP Mondays 7.15 pm-8.30 pm Term time.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY Sunday at 9.00 am Mass.

100 CLUB DRAW After 9.00am Mass last Sunday of the month.

Men's Social: From February 2018

Monthly Lunches: Tuesdays 12 noon: 27th February; 27th March; 24th April; 22nd May; 26th June; 24th July; 28th August; 25th September; 23rd October; 27th November.

Monthly Coffee: Friday 10am-11.45am: 2nd Friday of the month. 9th February; 9th March; 13th April; 11th May; 8th June; 13th July; 10th August; 14th September: 12th October: 9th November: 14th December.

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: B. James, R. Admans, Sr. Alma, W. Babington, C. Brown, E. Browne, C. & J. Busby, N. Cahill, J. Calver, K. Cashman, S. Caswell, S. Clarke, I. Cook, C. B. Corpus, E. Cotter, J. & P. Coughlan, Mrs. Curzon, A. Davies, P. Dean, M. Delos Saintos, J. Fowler, P. Harris, M. Hargrave, Sr. M. Humbert, B. Hunt, J. Hurst, J. James, A. Kirby-Hall, M. Kilby, T. Kirby, M. Lewandowski, M. Last, M. May, P. Mears, A. Mutton, G. Newton, J. O'Rourke, F. Ostrowski, B. Shepard, S. Stidston, N. Southey, M. Smyth, E. Stonell, M. Smith, Sr. Teresa SSM, M. Wallace, B. & D. Weaver, J. Wickens, T. Berg, M. McMahon, C. Hall, M. Gallagher, Ysabella Mistula, Miriam Smith. Please contact the parish office if you wish your name to be added or taken off the list.

PIETY SHOP Mass Cards, religious gifts, items from the Holy Land & more! A wide selection of CTS books on Saints are available for Confirmation candidates. Confirmation, St Patricks & Mothers Day gifts and cards will be available from mid Feb.

RCIA AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CATHOLIC ADULTS Tuesdays, from 8.00 pm to 9.15 pm in St John Paul II Centre. Please see notice board or website for further details.

CHURCH CLEANING We have 6 fantastic cleaning teams that clean the church on a rota system throughout the year. We are always on the look out for new volunteers who can join the teams to share the load. If you can spare a couple of hours every 7 weeks please contact the parish office or, if you happen to know any of the cleaners please speak to them to ask what the job entails.

WELCOMERS More welcomers are needed for <u>all Masses</u> to warmly welcome parishioners and visitors at the start of Mass and store hymn books and leave the porch tidy after. Please speak to Sue Wilde for more info, alternatively add your name to the list at the back of church and we will contact you. If you would like to give it a try without commitment please indicate this on the sheet. It's a great way of getting to know your fellow parishioners!

MONTHLY FAMILY MASS: I would like to introduce a new idea where once a month, two families can be involved in welcoming and bringing offerings to the altar, or even their children reading bidding prayers. Let us bring this idea into action from the first Sunday of Lent at 9am Mass. Please add your family names to the list on the notice board.

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: Monday, 19th February 2018 at 7.15 pm in St John Paul II Centre.

PARISH PASTORAL COMMITTEE MEETING: Tuesday, 13th February at 7.30pm in St John Paul II Centre.

PARISH SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING:

Tuesday, 27th February at 7.30pm in St. John Paul II Centre.

SEE CHURCH NOTICE BOARD FOR DETAILS OF THE FOLLOWING:

Justice and Peace Lenten retreat Saturday $17^{\rm th}$ of February see poster in the porch. Contact Janet Marshall 07434930992.

Teams for Sunday the:	4/02	11/02	18/2	25/2	4/3	11/3
Counting (7)	7	1	2	3	4	5
Cleaning (7) no 5	2	3	4	6	7	1
Children lit. (5)	4	5	1	2	3	4
Coffee 9am (14)	6	7	8	9	10	11
Coffee 11am (8)	3	4	5	6	7	8
Flowers	Anne	Sandy	Lent	Lent	Lent	Lent
Tradecraft			open			

2018 IMPORTANT DATES

Ash Wednesday - 14th February Confirmations - 17th March - Archbishop Longley Maundy Thursday - 29th March

Good Friday - 30th March Easter Sunday - 1st April

First Holy Communions: - 13th & 20th May Corpus Christi - 3rd June (Eucharistic Procession) First Confessions (Year 2) - Wednesday 20th June

Family Day -1st July

Volunteers involved in different ministries - Mass followed by Cheese and Wine Evening - 7th September

<u>FUNERALS:</u> A Requiem Mass for **David Dee'el** will be held on Monday, 12th February at 12 noon followed by burial at Bicester Cemetery.

A Funeral Service for **Susan Toogood** will be celebrated at 12.30pm on Tuesday, 13th February at Oxford Crematorium.

A Funeral Service for **Maria Madden** will be held on Monday 19th February at 10:30am followed by burial at Bicester Cemetery. *May they rest in peace*. **COFFEE MORNING** is on Friday 9th February at 10am in the Saint John Paul II Centre—all welcome

CAFOD Banbury meeting: Stories from Zimbabwe. Monday 5 February, 1pm-2.30pm followed by a bring-and-share afternoon tea until 3pm.St John the Evangelist parish, 25 South Bar Street, Banbury, OX16 9AF.

DIARY DATES - HETHE

SICK Please remember the following in your prayers: Becky Moyce. Attendance/Offerings 10.00 am - 36 attendees £65.10. Noon 19 attendees £32.

TUESDAY FILMS The final film in the *Catholic Enlightenment* series will be shown after Mass on Tuesday. It tells of the influences of the Church on Language, Literature, Music & Saints. All welcome.

TALKS IN ST PHILIP'S HALL/LIBRARY OF CATHOLIC BOOKS The next meeting will be on Saturday 3rd March at 11am (coffee & books from 10.30) when the speaker will be Dr Timothy Kelly. The title of his talk is "What is good about Good Friday". All welcome.

FINANCE AND PASTORAL COMMITTEE: Will meet on Monday, 12th February 2018 after 9.30 am Mass.

St Scholastica's Retreat provides sheltered housing for Catholics and was founded by Elizabeth Harrison in 1861 in Clapton. The Trust was set up to provide 'residence & support' for 'poor & reduced Catholics' of the upper & middle classes, & to give them the opportunity to attend Mass locally. Today, the Trust continues to follow in these footsteps and provides accommodation for practising Catholics, in 36 self-contained flats at £429pcm, who can care for themselves, are 60 years or over & are of limited financial means. The Retreat moved to Princes Risborough in 1972, in order to provide more modern amenities. They have recently begun to advertise in Vincentian Concern in the hope that members of the SVP might draw their existence to the attention of people they help who might benefit from living at the Retreat. For more information contact The Warden: Deacon Seán Duffy (01844) 344437.

Email: info@stscholasticas.co.uk www.stscholasticas.co.uk

BATTHULA CARE TRUST: Reg. Charity No: 1128539

Would you like to support a family suffering with leprosy financially?

Or towards a poor child's education or an elderly person who has no means to their livelihood.

Your help can really make a difference. Can you spare £10 a month?

Please support if you can. Barclays Bank: Sort Code: 200898. Account No: 23669386. So please join in this noble cause. Thank you.

Hethe	4/02	11/02	18/2	25/2	4/3	11/3
Lector	K D'Silva	P Lee	R Deane	B Dewe Matthews	D McDermott	V Barnes
Flowers	Mrs Barnes		Lent		Lent	

Second Collections FEBRUARY

3rd/4th, 10th/11th, 17th/18th: Parish Maintenance



PARISH OFFERINGS

1st GA £271.50 1st Loose £270.82 2nd GA £135.12 2nd Loose £264.45

Total £ 941.89
In thanksgiving to God and

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This weekend : 4/2	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Lector	Lector	Welcomer	Welcomer	Attendance
Saturday 6pm	B Thompson	M Kelly	Reb Reji	Clergy	A Nelson	H Lawlor	Lazarus	Family	113
Sunday 9am	P Pickering	B Nichols	C Conlon	W Hartley	St Marys	Children	St Marys	Children	124
Sunday 11am	R Lee-Heung	O Panejko	F Ostrowski	J Hanna	R Evans	I Cook	M Lynch		149
Next weekend: 11/2								Total	386
Saturday 6pm	J Marshall	Reb Reji	J Varghese	Clergy	K Kallay	P Kallay	K Gosling	J Marshall	
Sunday 9am	L Weaver	R Weaver	M Daniel	K Coffey	L Taylor	R McDonald	Cousins	Family	
Sunday 11am	J Kokore	J Kokore	C St John	M Lynch	P Rybka	A Kearsley	volunteers	Volun-	
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