



# THE PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**BREVIARY: WEEK 4 OF PSALTER (YEAR A)** Saturday 24th June to Sunday 2nd July 2017

*Sunday Masses* can be viewed live on **YouTube**, go to: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuZ6QPQg\\_yS\\_grbqgt7zjg/live](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuZ6QPQg_yS_grbqgt7zjg/live)

### Masses & Events During This Week

<u>Times</u>	<u>Intentions</u>	<u>Feasts</u>
<b>Saturday 24th June</b>	<i>Solemnity of the Nativity of St John the Baptist</i>	
5.15 pm	Rosary, Litany & Angelus	
6.00 pm	Teresa Czebotarewicz (RIP)	
<b>Sunday 25th June</b>	<i>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
9.00 am	The People of the Parish & Garrison	
11.00 am	Ints of Hilary King (Birthday) followed by Baptism	
<b>Monday 26th June</b>		<i>Feria</i>
7.00 pm	Fiona Beasley (RIP)	
7.15 pm-8.30 pm	Youth Group in St. John Paul II Centre	
<b>Tuesday 27th June</b>		<i>Feria</i>
8.30 am	Pedro Lusabia (RIP)	
12 noon	Monthly Lunch	
2.00 pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet	
7.30 pm	CAMEO meeting in St. John Paul II Centre	
<b>Wednesday 28th June</b>		<i>M of St Irenaeus, B M</i>
9.30 am	Bernie Stewart (RIP)	
<b>Thursday 29th June</b>	<i>Solemnity of SS Peter &amp; Paul, Apostles</i>	
9.30 am	Jim Pickering (RIP)	<i>Holyday of Obligation</i>
12 Noon	Alan & Maggie Allmond (RIP)	
7.30pm	Fr. Philip Newbold - Priestly Silver Jubilee (21/6)	
<b>Friday 30th June</b>		<i>Feria</i>
12 Noon	Raju Njaliyath Mathew (RIP) 3rd Anniversary	
<b>Saturday 1st July</b>		<i>Feria</i>
8.30 am	Mass at HMP Bullingdon	
10.15 am	Joan & Percy Clarke (RIP)	
5.15 pm	Rosary, Litany & Angelus	
6.00 pm	Paul Selwood (Drury) (RIP)	
<b>Sunday 2nd July</b>	<i>Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
9.00 am	Urszula Steel (RIP)	
11.00 am	The People of the Parish & Garrison followed by Family Festival	

**SWITCH OFF YOUR PHONE. SWITCH ON YOUR HEART AND MIND**

**Confession:** Saturday's from 10.45 am - 11.30 am; 5 pm - 5.30pm  
 Other times by appointment

**Prison Chaplaincy Duty:** Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday.

**Refreshments:** Served in John Paul II Centre after 9am & 11 am.

### Scriptural Reflections

**First Reading** (Jeremiah 20: 10-13) The prophet is surrounded by, terror, but he doesn't lose his nerve, He remains faithful to his mission because he knows that God is with him and will uphold him.

**Second Reading** (Romans 5: 12-15) St Paul draws a contrast between Christ and Adam. Sin came into the world through Adam. Grace came through Christ.

**Gospel** (Matthew 10:26-33) Christ exhorts his disciples to bear witness to the Gospel openly and fearlessly. If they do so he will claim them as his own at the final tribunal.

"Lord, you said, 'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but who cannot kill the soul'.

You said, 'Do not be afraid, for you are worth more to God than many sparrows'.

You said, 'Those who declare themselves for me before other people, those I will own before my Father in heaven!'"

Christ told his followers that they should not be afraid to declare themselves for him before other people. Are we sometimes afraid to speak and to act in a Christian way? If so, why is this? Is it because we are unwilling to suffer for Christ or is it simply that we are afraid of what others will say? Let us think about this for a moment. We cannot witness to Christ without his grace.

God bless you

**Fr John Y Batthula**

Parish Priest

**PIETY SHOP** CTS booklets, pilgrim guides, gifts, reconciliation & occasional cards. Come and have a browse!

**READ OF THE MONTH** Sacred Heart Prayers and Devotions booklet is now available for only £1 during the month of June, few copies left.

**MASS OFFERINGS** Please deliver envelopes to the parish office, directly to the clergy or to the Piety Shop. Mass cards are available to buy from the piety shop.

**ST MARYS SCHOOL RAFFLE** Raffle tickets will be sold in church this weekend. Tickets are £1 each and 1st Prize is a 32gb Apple iPad plus over 20 other prizes (Restaurant vouchers, vouchers to family attractions and golf for 4 people at Kirtlington Golf Club).

**ANNUAL FAMILY DAY ON SUNDAY 2ND JULY** We will welcome all the young people who made their first Holy Communion, First Confessions and received the Sacrament of Confirmation to participate at the 11 am Mass along with their parents and siblings. After Mass, refreshments, BBQ & Indian food will be available. There will be some games, various stalls and a bouncy castle. We will need volunteers to help us to set up on the previous day and to manage on the day. *Sign up on the list at the back of church if you can help.* Certificates will be presented at 1.30 pm. Photographs will also be available to download. Remember that Sunday, there will be no parking available in our car park. The Bicester Civic Service and Parade will also be taking place and due to security measures the Causeway will be closed to traffic from 6am until 1pm. Coffee in the centre will be held as usual.


**Needed for the Family Festival - 2nd July - donations of teddies in good condition—raffle prizes – chocolate, tea, coffee and cakes for café. Please deliver to the parish office/back of church. Extra helpers to help the usual coffee team also needed.**

**FLOWER FESTIVAL** A meeting will be held on Tuesday 4th July at 7.30pm in the John Paul II Centre for all volunteers and flower arrangers who have already committed to arranging or helping. If you haven't and would like to get involved, it's not too late, please come along too.

**DIACONATE ORDINATION - NICK ST JOHN**

Saturday 8th July at 12 noon

I would like to inform the Parish that Nick St John's Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate is on Saturday 8th July at 12 noon followed by a Buffet Lunch in the Centre. I along with Nick and his family warmly invite all parishioners to his ordination and afterwards to the reception in the parish centre. Please sign the form in the church porch if you plan to attend the reception. Thank you.

 **CAMEO** (Women's Group) meeting on Tuesday 27th June at 7.30pm in St. John Paul Centre. Please just come along for cuppa and chat.

**MONTHLY LUNCH TUESDAY 27TH JUNE AT 12 NOON.** 2 course meal and a cuppa for only £4.50. Too hot & bothered to cook at home? Then let the lunch ladies cook for you, come along for some wholesome food and company! All welcome! Raffle & Bits and Bobs table as usual.

**SUMMER FETE** Thank you to the all the organisers, stall holders, everyone who came to help, supported or donated to the fete last Friday. We were blessed with glorious weather and the event was well attended. Total raised £1500 to be split between school and parish.

Teams for Sunday the:	25/6	2/7	9/7	16/7	23/7	30/7
Counting (7)	4	5	6	7	1	2
Cleaning (7) no 5	6	7	1	2	3	4
Children lit. (5)	3	4	5	1	none	Till 3/9
Coffee 9am (14)	2	3	4	5	6	7
Coffee 11am (8)	3	4	5	6	7	8
Flowers	Jo	Kathryn	All	Sally	Sally	
Tradecraft				Open		

**Second Collections**  
This weekend will be for **Peter's Pence**  
Next week: **Parish Maintenance**  
**Second collection in July**  
9th Apostleship of the Sea



**PARISH OFFERINGS**  
1<sup>st</sup> GA £268.91  
1<sup>st</sup> Loose £306.23  
**Total £575.14**  
**Day for Life**  
2<sup>nd</sup> GA £142.42  
2<sup>nd</sup> Loose £158.13  
**Total £300.55**

**DIARY DATES 2017**

**CATENIANS** meet every second Thursday of the month – contact 01869 249638.  
**TRADECRAFT** Stall open every 3rd weekend of the month.  
**YOUTH GROUP** 2nd,3rd,4th, Mondays of the month. 7.15 pm–8.30 pm Term time only.  
**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** Sunday at 9.00 am Mass. None during Summer hols.  
**PRESENTATION ASSOC.** Monthly meetings first Monday of month.  
**100 CLUB DRAW** After 9.00am Mass last Sunday of the month.  
Men's Social 7.30pm. Pint and take away.  
**2nd July:** Family Festival & Presentation of Certificates after 11 am Mass  
**8th July at 12 noon:** Nick St John's Diaconate Ordination  
**22nd-24th Sept:** Flower Festival—3 days of flowers and events!  
**24th Sep:** Multilingual Mass & Shared Lunch from around the World  
**Monthly Lunches:** Tuesdays 12 noon: 27th June; 25th July; 22nd Aug; 26th Sept; 24th Oct; 28th Nov.  
**Monthly Coffee:** Fridays 10am-11.45am: 14th July, 11th Aug, 8th Sept, 13th Oct, 10th Nov, 8th Dec.  
*Pick up a SOCIAL EVENTS 2017 leaflet from the back of church.*

**SYMPATHY** We extend our very deepest sympathy and assurance our of prayers to the family and friends of Patricia Mary Dyson. A funeral service at Oxford crematorium will be held on Tuesday 11th July at 11.30 am. Please also pray for Helen Joslin, Business Studies teacher at BGN who died this week. We express our deepest condolences to her family, please keep them in your prayers. *May they rest in peace.*

**FAMILY PRAYER**

Heavenly Father, thank you for the gift of our family. Enlighten our hearts and minds that we may live more fully this vocation. In our daily life and work, may we reflect the self-giving love which you, O Father, eternally show us with your Son and the Holy Spirit. Let your love be evident in the peace that reigns in our homes and in the faith we profess and live. May our family always be a place of generosity, understanding, forgiveness and joy. Kindly give us the wisdom and courage to be witness to your eternal design for the family, grant that the Holy Family of Nazareth may always guide our path to holiness as a family. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the Holy Spirit, one God forever & ever.  
Amen



**CHURCH REPAIR FUND**

I appeal to your generous donations towards the **CHURCH REPAIRS**. So please give as much as can. Remember, God loves a cheerful giver!

Target amount **£ 120,000.00**  
So far donated/raised **£ 13,443.85**

**LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** R Admans, Sr Alma, W Babington, C Brown, E Browne, C & J Busby, N Cahill, J Calver, K Cashman, S Caswell, J Chapman, S Clarke, I Cook, CB Copus, E Cotter, J & P. Coughlan, Mis Curzon, A Davies, P Dean, D Dee'le, M Delos Santos, J Fowler, P Harris, M Hargrave, Sr. M Hunnbert, B Hunt, J Hurst, J James, David Johnson, 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 Stickson, N Southey, M S myth, E & W Stonell, M Smith, Sr Teresa SSM, M Wallace, B & D Weaver, J Wickens, C Whitehead, T Berg. **Please contact the parish office if you wish your name to be added or taken off the sick list.**

25th June	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Lector	Lector	Welcomer	Welcomer
Saturday 6 pm	M Mellett	M Mellett	M Kelly	H Johnson	<b>K Kallay</b>	<b>P Kalley</b>	M Marrs	T Behan
Sunday 9am	K Coffey	N St John	C St John	K Riley	<b>M Daniel</b>	<b>E Mander</b>	M Brown	A Brown
Sunday 11am	F Thornley	J Hanna	E King	H King	<b>T O'Callaghan</b>	<b>J Hurst</b>	J Tuttle	
2nd July								
Saturday 6pm	B Thompson	C Zanre	M Thompson	I Foley	<b>P Kallay</b>	<b>K Kallay</b>	Sr Elizabeth	K Gosling
Sunday 9am	B Crook	C St John	N St John	M Daniel	<b>M Daniel</b>		volunteers	Volunteers
Sunday 11am	P Pickering	B Tah	O Panejko	S Lawrence	<b>children</b>	<b>children</b>	R Reji & children	S Thomas & children

**MASS ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND: Saturday 6.00 pm: 128, Sunday 9.00 am: 122, 11.00 am: 150 Total: 400**