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BREVIARY: WEEK 1 OF PSALTER (YEAR C) SATURDAY 9TH MARCH TO SUNDAY 17TH MARCH 2019

Sunday Masses can be viewed live on **YouTube**, go to: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuZ6QPQg_yS_grbqgt7Tzjg/live

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

MARCH 2019	TIME	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	TIME	HOLY TRINITY	INFORMATION
SATURDAY 9TH	5.15 PM	Rosary, Litany & Angelus			
	6.00 PM	Ints of Confirmandi			First Sunday of Lent
SUNDAY 10TH	9.00 AM	People of the Parish			
	11.00 AM	Thanksgiving – Canon John - 27th Ordination Anniversary	10.00AM	People of the Parish	
	5.00-6.00 PM	Holy Hour			Vespers & Benediction
MONDAY 11TH	12 NOON	Julito Felizardo (RIP)	9.30 AM	Celebrant's Intentions	Lent Feria
	7.15PM-8.30PM	Youth Group - Yr 7			St John Paul II Centre
TUESDAY 12TH	9.30 AM	Margaret Forsyth (RIP)		NO MASS	Lent Feria
	2.00 PM	Divine Mercy Chaplet			Church
WEDNESDAY 13TH	9.30 AM (Chu)	Zacarias Agner Sr (RIP)		NO MASS	Lent Feria
THURSDAY 14TH	8.00 AM (Sch)	Lenten Mass		NO MASS	Lent Feria
	12 NOON				
FRIDAY 15TH	12 NOON	Mary Philip (RIP)	9.30 AM	Celebrant's Intentions	Lent Feria
	7.00 PM	Stations of the Cross			
SATURDAY 16TH	9.30 AM (BP)	Prisoners and their families		NO MASS	Lent Feria
	10.15 AM	Richard Anthony O'Rourke			
	5.15 PM	Rosary, Litany & Angelus			
	6.00 PM	People of the Parish			
SUNDAY 17TH	9.00 AM	Agnes & Richard Mellett (RIP)	10.00AM	People of the Parish	Second Sunday of Lent
	11.00 AM	Ints of Elizabeth Green			St Patrick's Feast Day
	5.00-6.00 PM	Holy Hour			Vespers & Benediction

REFLECTIONS IN BRIEF: *First Reading* (Deuteronomy 26:4-10). This describes the ceremony of the offering to God of the first fruits. Through it the people recognize all that God has done for them especially in the Exodus. Our worship of God is also a recognition of his favours to us.

Second Reading (Romans 10:8-13) The core of the Christian credo is that Jesus is our risen Saviour. If anyone, Jew or Gentile, can say that and live by it, he or she will be saved. *Gospel* (Luke 4:1-13). Jesus was tempted like we are but he did not sin. Through his grace we too can resist temptation and over-come sin. We can approach Christ with great confidence that he understands us because, as today's liturgy reminds us, he shared our human weaknesses and temptations. Yet he did not sin. He remained faithful and true to his Father. He will help us who know that we have sinned, to be faithful also.

CONFESSIONS
Saturday
5 pm - 5.30pm
ROSARY
Mon - Thur: 9.30 am
Fri: 12.30 pm
Sat: 10.45 am
HOLY HOUR
BICESTER
SUNDAYS 5-6PM
First Friday of the
month 7pm
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



Canon John Y Batthula
Parish Priest & Dean

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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 (30/3) for coffee,
cake & chat. Do join us!

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

LUNCHES: Tuesdays 12 noon. 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, Tim Charles.
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Regulations** anyone wishing to
be listed here will need to contact
the Parish Office *personally* by
email to:
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unable to email then by phone:
01869 253 277.

NEW GIFT AID ENVELOPES & STANDING ORDERS: We are grateful to all the parishioners who are in the process of transferring to the standing order option. If you have already done so or are yet to set it up please could you complete a pink form which is available from the back of church to let us know that this is your intention and return it to the parish office by March 17th. We need this information before we organise the new boxes for distribution at the end of March. Thank you all for your cooperation 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 Chrt. If you choose not to or are not able to gift aid, you can still set up a standing order for your regular offerings. Please use the same banking details as seen above using reference: your surname/church offerings. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this.

LENT SOUP LUNCHES in aid of the Bathula Care Trust and CAFOD. Please see poster in the church porch for venues, and phone host beforehand to let them know you intend to come along! All welcome.

GRAND JUMBLE SALE: JUMBLE NEEDED! PLEASE DELIVER TO THE JOHN PAUL II CENTRE BEFORE THE EVENT, which will be held on Saturday, 23rd March from 1.00pm to 3.00pm with refreshments and raffle. Raising funds for church repairs. Please leave jumble in the corridor leading to the sacristy. Thank you.

PIETY SHOP Now in stock: St Patrick's Day (17/3), St Joseph's (19/3) Mothering Sunday (31/3), Confirmation (23/3) gifts and cards as well as a new selection of CTS booklets and plenty more!

COFFEE MORNING The event raised £329. Thank you to all!

READERS More readers for Masses are needed, especially for the 6pm Mass. Please speak to any of the clergy or contact the parish office if you are able to or need any more information. If you would like to try for a while then please get in touch. April rota has been emailed, some copies available at the back of church and on website.

100 CLUB drawn on Sun 24 February 2019. £100 Joyce Thornley- 28. £50 Sandy Collison -17. £25 Mavis Kelly - 69.

CAFOD Lent Fast Day Friday, 15th March. CAFOD gift aid envelopes will be available this weekend, please return them into next week's collections. Thank you in advance for your donations.

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

HALF A DAY PRAYERS FOR LENT: On Saturday, 6th April 2019 from 4.00pm, beginning with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Praise & Worship, Reflections, Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction. There will also be an opportunity for individual confession.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE AND INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS: This will be held on Monday, 15th April 2019 from 7.00 pm with a number of visiting priests present.

LENTEN VIDEO: Joy of Hope: Heavenly Revelation from John on the Holy Island of Patmos. A uplifting and practical insight into the joy of living now with hope in the future blessing of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Two sessions on the following dates: Mondays 1st & 8th April 10 am (after 9.30 am Mass), in the John Paul II Centre, with coffee afterwards. All welcome!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Will take place weekly here in church on Fridays at 7pm during Lent.

LENTEN WALK WITH ME Booklets now available from the back of church. £1 contribution gratefully received.

100 CLUB RENEWALS for the next 12 months are due from 1 April with the first draw in the new financial year taking place on Sunday, 28 April. The annual fee is £60 per annum payable in full by cheque or monthly standing order using reference: 100 CLUB/SURNAME. In the coming year there will be three prizes each month - £100, £50 and £25 and a £100 Christmas bonus in December. Members of the Catenian Association will be present at each Mass on the first three weekends of April to accept renewed or new subscriptions. If you currently pay by Standing Order no further action is necessary. Please support this major Parish fund raiser if you possibly can and make it a real 100 Club in 2019/20. Thank you.

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! **SATURDAY, 27th APRIL 2019 AT JP II CENTRE** Tickets £5 per person for all day entry (10am - 8pm) available on the door. You can also buy tickets 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.

HOLY TRINITY - HETHE

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

Attendance: 41. Cash Collection £41.00 2nd Collection £19.85.

Stations of the Cross during Lent will be at 9.30am on Wednesdays starting on 13th March.

Monday Films continue tomorrow, 10th March, at 10.00am (after the 9.30am Mass) with the second part of Bishop Robert Barrons' documentary on the life of St Francis of Assisi (30 mins). All Welcome.

Hethe	10/3	17/3	24/3	31/3	7/4	14/4 Palm
Lector Counters	P Lee	R Deane	B Drewe Matthews	D McDermott	V Barnes	M Manetta J Wilde

SECOND COLLECTIONS MARCH

10th/24th/31st
Parish Maintenance
17th CAFOD
Lent Fast Day



PARISH OFFERINGS
1st G Aid: £219.50
1st Loose: £422.05
2nd G Aid: £99.30
Total: **£740.85+£0**
Cathedral Maintenance £231

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

This weekend :10/3	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Lector	Lector	Welcomer	Welcomer	Attendance last week
Saturday 6pm	C St John	P Pickering	Sr Rose	Clergy	Confirmandi	Confirmandi	Confirmandi	Confirmandi	95
Sunday 9am	Sr Sani	A Hall	J Flynn	Clergy	M Daniel	L Cleeve	K Riley	Crook Family	156
Sunday 11am	F Ostrowski	Sr Sherly	O Panejko	Clergy	J Hanna	E King	J Tuttle		240
Next weekend: 17/3								TOTAL:	491
Saturday 6.00pm	J Marshall	S Wilde	H Johnson	J Varghese	M Mellett		McArdle	Family	
Sunday 9am	N Conway	J Castillo	M Daniel	Clergy	C Moyse	J Nugent	M Nugent		
Sunday 11am	F Thornley	Sr Rose	H King	Clergy	H King	M Lawrence	T & N Lane		