

CATHOLIC BICESTER

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

Sunday Masses can be viewed live on **YouTube**, go to: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuZ6QPQg_yS_grbqgt7fZjg/live

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

MARCH		IMMACULATE CONCEPTION		HOLY TRINITY	OTHER
SATURDAY 3rd	5.15 PM	Rosary, Litany & Angelus			
	6.00 PM	Intentions of the Sisters			
SUNDAY 4th	9.00 AM	The People of the Parish	10.00 AM	People of the Parish	Third Sunday of Lent
	11.00 AM	John Butler (RIP)			
			5.00 PM	HOLY HOUR	VESPERS AND BENEDICTION
MONDAY 5th	12 NOON	Patrick & Irene Burke (RIP)	9.30 AM		Lent Feria
	7.15 PM	YOUTH MEETING			St John Paul II Centre
TUESDAY 6th	9.30 AM	Nick & Louisa Hook (RIP)	9.30 AM		Lent Feria
	2.00 PM	DIVINE MERCY			
	8.00 PM	RCIA SESSION			Lent Feria
WEDNESDAY 7th	9.30 AM (Chu)	Marian Bettina Lee (Birthday)		No Mass	Lent Feria
THURSDAY 8th	8.00 AM (Sch)	Doreen Hackett (RIP)	9.00 AM		
	12 Noon	Cyril & Gertrude Hurst (RIP)			Lent Feria
FRIDAY 9th	10 - 11.45 AM	MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING			ST JOHN PAUL II CENTRE
	12 NOON	Robert Duggan (RIP)	9.30 AM		Lent Feria
	7.00 PM	STATIONS OF THE CROSS	10.00 AM	STATIONS OF THE CROSS	
SATURDAY 10th	9.30 AM (BP)	Welfare of the Prisoners and their families		NO MASS	Lent Feria
	10.15 am	Doreen Furlong (RIP)			
	5.15 PM	Rosary, Litany & Angelus			
	6.00 PM	Margaret Forsyth (RIP)			
SUNDAY 11th	9.00 AM	Mary Philip (RIP)	10.00 AM	People of the Parish	Fourth Sunday of Lent
Mothering Sunday	11.00 AM	Margaret Axten (RIP)			
	5.00 PM	HOLY HOUR			VESPERS AND BENEDICTION

First Reading (Exodus 20:1-17) This reading deals with the Ten Commandments.

They are a map of life for a people that has a 'special relationship with' God.

Second Reading (1 Cor 1:22-25) To some the idea of a Crucified Savior makes no sense whatsoever. But to those who can grasp it, it is a sign of the wisdom of God.

Gospel (John 2:13-25) This deals with the incident in which Christ cleared the money changers and sellers of sacrificial animals out of the Temple. "My house is a house of prayer", so says the Lord. It is only we who can make of this church a true house of prayer. We come here each Sunday to pray, not just individually, but collectively as members of a family should.

Have a blessed week
God bless

Canon John Y Batthula

---Please note that there will be no coffee after 9am Mass this weekend---



CONFESSIONS

Saturday
10.45 am - 11.30 am
5 pm - 5.30pm

EXPOSITION

Sunday
5 pm - 6 pm

ROSARY

Mon - Thur. 9.30 am
Fri. 12.30 pm
Sat. 10.45 am

Stations of the Cross

HT Friday 10.00 am

IC - Friday 7.00 pm

Youth Group

Monday 7.15 pm

Divine Mercy

Tuesday 2.00pm

RCIA

Tuesday 8.00 PM

COFFEE & TEA

IC Sunday's

After 9am and 11am

Masses

HT after 10 am Mass

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

CATENIAN: 2ND THURSDAY
TRADECRAFT: 3RD WEEKEND
100 CLUB DRAW: LAST SUNDAY
MONTHLY LUNCH: LAST TUESDAY
 27th March; 24th April; 22nd May; 26th June; 24th July; 28th Aug; 25th Sept; 23rd Oct; 27th Nov.
MONTHLY COFFEE: 2ND FRIDAY
 9th Mar; 13th Apr. 11th May; 8th Jun; 13th July; 10th Aug; 14th Sept; 12th Oct; 9th Nov; 14th Dec.
FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS:
 Sunday 13th & 20th May
CORPUS CHRISTI - 3rd June
 (Eucharistic Procession)
FIRST CONFESSIONS (Year 2) - 20th June
FAMILY DAY - 1st July
ALL VOLUNTEERS IN THE PARISH-
 Mass at 7.00pm followed by Cheese and Wine Evening - 7th September

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: B James, R Adams, 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 Santos, 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 Stidson, N Southey, M Smyth, E Stonell, M Smith, Sr Teresa SSM, M Wallace, B & D Weaver, J Wickens, M McMahon, C Hall, M Gallagher, Y Mistula, M Smith.
Please contact the parish office if you wish your name to be added or taken

PIETY SHOP A new selection of Lenten & Easter CTS booklets are now in stock. St Patricks, Mothers Day & Confirmation gifts and cards now available. Communion ties also now in stock.

GRAND JUMBLE SALE On Saturday, 21st April in St John Paul II Centre. Please contact Jackie Flynn for more information.

HISTORICAL SLIDES SHOW OF BICESTER: Will take place in the St John Paul Centre on Saturday, 16th June from 7.30pm. Tickets cost £7.50 per person and that includes a glass of wine.

MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING: Why don't you come along for the next one on Friday, 9th March from 10.00 am in St John Paul II Centre?

SOUP LUNCHEAS Next one will be on Thursday, 15th March at Elizabeth Green's, contact her on 01869 241 506 to let her know you will come along! All are welcome.

RELIGIOUS SISTERS OF THE URSULINE CONGREGATION: We would like to extend a warm welcome to Sr Vinaya, Provincial Superior, Provincial Councillor Sr Sandya as well as Sr Rose, Sr Shirley and Sr Sani. I do hope and pray that Sisters will settle in well into their new Convent, get to know parishioners.

LENTEN TALK: LECTIO DIVINA: Wednesday, 14th March at 7pm in St John Paul II Centre. Theme: "What is a Number? The Many Meanings of the 40 Days of Lent" by Fr Henry Whisenant, East Anglia Diocese.

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS: ADOREMUS - LET US ADORE: Congress will be held in Liverpool from 7th to 9th September 2018. There are a few more places available. Contact me as soon as possible.

HOUSE MASSES: If you would like to host a House Mass, please get in touch with the office as soon as possible. Masses can take place on the following Tuesdays: 13th, 20th and 27th March

MONTHLY LUNCH: My sincere thanks to our hard working organisers and supporters. Total raised was £364.80 in spite of weather keeping away a few of our regulars. Our next one is on Friday, 27th March.

ACCOUNTS 2017: Parish & Centre accounts for the year end will be announced next weekend at all Masses.

DAY OF PRAYER: On Friday, 23rd March from 9.30 am. All Eucharistic Ministers & Readers are invited to join the Holy Hour from 6.30pm 7.30pm. Please see the notice board to add your names to the list.

EASTER RAFFLE TICKETS: Now available, please take some home and ask your family and friends to support our fundraising. I look forward to your generous support.

Teams for Sunday the:	4/3	11/3	18/3	25/3 Palm	1/4 Easter	8/4
Counting (7)	4	5	6	7	N/A	1
Cleaning (7) no 5	7	1	2	3	4	6
Children lit. (5)	3	4	5	1	2	3
Coffee 9am (14)	10	11	12	13	14	1
Coffee 11am (8)	7	8	1	2	3	4
Flowers	Lent	Lent	Lent	Palm	All	All
Tradecraft			open			

This weekend : 4/3	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Extraordinary Min	Lector	Lector	Welcomer	Welcomer	Attendance last week
Saturday 6pm	P Pickering	M Kelly	C St John	Clergy	Confirmandi	Confirmandi	Confirmandi	Confirmandi	102
Sunday 9am	C Conlon	B Nichols	C Conlon	C Hartley	C Moyse	J Nugent	C Moyse	M Daniel	152
Sunday 11am	R Lee-Heung	O Panejko	F Ostrowski	J Hanna	T Tomassi	L Green	R Reji		166
Next weekend: 11/3								Total	420
Saturday 6pm	J Marshall	R Reji	J Varghese	S Wilde	A Nelson	H Lawlor	T Berg	F Berg	
Sunday 9am	L Weaver	R Weaver	M Daniel	K Coffey	M Brown	E Penhallow	Kally	Family	
Sunday 11am	J Kokore	J Kokore	C St John	M Lynch	T O'Callaghan	J Hurst	M Lynch		

FEBRUARY WINNERS 100 CLUB £100 No 46 - Madeleine Brazil, £50 No 91 - Michael & Jane Waine, £25 No 39 - Roger Mall.

CONFIRMATIONS: On Saturday, 17th March at 6.00 pm Mass. His grace the Most Reverend Bernard Longley will be the Principal Celebrant. During the Mass some of our young parishioners will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Let us pray for these young people, their parents and catechists who have prepared and supported them.

EASTER LILIES: Forms now available from the back of church. Lilies for loved ones can be purchased for £2.50 each. The money raised will pay for the lilies and go towards Easter church flowers.

MOTHERING SUNDAY Flower baskets will be available to buy on the weekend of Mothering Sunday. Cost from £5-£12. Money raised will go towards the Parish Building fund.

FLOWER MEETING A meeting will take place this coming Tuesday, 6th March at 7.30pm at Kath Kally's house. If you would like to join the team or come along and see what is involved in arranging flowers for church then contact the parish office for Kath's address.

COFFEE AFTER MASSES on Mothering Sunday (March 11th) will provide pastries with drinks. All welcome!

FUNERAL Due to adverse weather conditions, the funeral for Joan Maude did not take place on Friday. It will now be held on Wednesday 21st March at 12 noon. *May she rest in peace.*

HOLY TRINITY - HETHE

SICK Please remember the following in your prayers: Becky Moyce.

LATIN MASS: In the given situation, I have offered to host EF Mass one Sunday a month. Hope that those concerned will be able to attend.

GROUND WORKS Work will shortly begin on the area under the holm oak tree to the front of the church to reclaim it for additional parking.

STAINED GLASS WINDOWS Mrs Barnes is currently investigating granting making bodies which might be able to assist us in meeting the maintenance and repair cost of the stained glass. The windows do need some attention although, for their age, they are in reasonable condition. Now is the time to keep them in good repair.

TUESDAY FILMS: The series of DVDs *Journey into Truth* on Tuesday, after Mass. The DVD runs for 30 minutes followed by a short discussion.

LOOP & PA SYSTEM: Last Sunday I was given a donation of £250.00 towards my appeal. Thank you and God bless you.

TALKS IN ST PHILIP'S HALL/Library of Catholic Books: The next meeting is on Saturday, 24th March when theologian Dr Timothy Kelly will be the speaker "What is 'good' about Good Friday". Coffee and books from 10.30am. **All Welcome.**

SECOND COLLECTION: This Sunday is for Cathedral Maintenance.



EASTER TRIDIUM

Maundy Thursday Mass at 7.30 pm - Bicester
Good Friday Liturgy at 3.00 pm - Hethe & Bicester
Station of the Cross 7.00 pm - Bicester & Hethe
Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass 7.30 pm - Bicester
Easter Sunday - 9am Bicester; 10am Hethe; 11am Bicester

Hethe	4/3	11/3	18/3	25/3	1/4
Lector	D McDermott	V Barnes	M Manetta	K D'Silva	P Lee
Flowers	Lent	Lent	Lent	Lent	Mrs Kelly

Last Sunday Attendance	34
Donation	£250
Collection	£65.50

Second Collections

MARCH

3rd/4th Cathedral Maintenance
10/11 Parish Maintenance
17/18 Parish Maintenance
24/25 Parish Maintenance
30th Holy Places



PARISH OFFERINGS

1st GA £310.26
 1st Loose £357.12
 2nd GA £146.02
 2nd Loose £173.71
Total £987.11

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