

Teams for :	4/5	11/5	18/5	25/5	1/6	8/6
Children lit.	none	4	1	none	none	3
Coffee 9am (11)	6	7	8	9	10	11
Coffee 11am (9)	9	1	2	3	4	5
Flowers	Sr Rose	Sr Rose	Anita	Anita	K & A	K & A

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Mary Lynch, K Cashman, Jean McIntosh, Gerry Wright, Marie Oke, Fred Thornley, Patrick Hughes.

ROSARY: Daily 25 minutes before Mass starts.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Every Tuesday at 2.00pm in Church

BAPTISMS/WEDDINGS: Please contact the Parish Office through email or phone.

CONFESSIONS: *Saturday Bicester: 10.30am-11.30am* *Hethe: 3.15pm-3.50 pm (Sacristy)*

URSULINE LAY ASSOCIATION: Every 2nd Wednesday of the month @ 2pm Ursuline Convent.

EAST TIMOR COMMUNITY PRAYER: First Sunday of the month at 5.00pm @ Ursuline Convent

PARISH OUTREACH GROUP: Please contact the Office if you need some form of practical help.

PIETY SHOP: Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday around Masses.

SYMPATHY Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maureen Evans of Germander Way who died on 16th April. A funeral service will be held at North Oxfordshire Memorial Park on Thursday, 8th May at 11am. *May she rest in peace.*

THANK YOU Fr Craig would like to thank all parishioners for their generous Easter Offerings and hopes that you all had a holy & peaceful Easter. God Bless you all!

RCIA GROUP There will be no meeting on the 7th May. The next one is on 14th May at 7.30pm.

MASS OFFERINGS Please be sure to request masses in good time if a specific date is to be requested. Thank you.

CAFOD BIG LENT WALK A BIG well done to Anna Fitzpatrick who did the walk. Anna would like to thank all those who sponsored and supported her on her CAFOD WALK, she raised £360!

100 CLUB April Winners £100 Richard Evans -19. £50 J & A O'Rourke 66. £25 Elizabeth Green 63. Please see Sr Sani for prizes.

ASSISTED SUICIDE - Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill. Catholics are asked to contact their MPs, even if they have done so already, and urge them to oppose the Bill that seeks to legalise assisted suicide. Go to <https://righttolife.org.uk/33ab> to vote against.

LIVE SIMPLY The Parish Environmental Group invite members of our church to join with us litter picking with St Mary's children at 10am on Monday, May 19th around the school grounds. Please contact Janet Marshall on 07934940710 if you can join in.

ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL St Mary's of Bicester is looking for a new Foundation Governor. St Mary's is a flourishing school with a strong Catholic ethos and has recently joined the Pope Francis MAC. School Governors, supported by a strong central team, work together as a local governing body to deliver its core purpose to uphold the Catholic nature of the school and ensure clarity of vision and strategic direction. If you are interested in this opportunity to serve your local community and would like to know more about the role (time commitment, role description etc.) please contact Father Craig or the current Chair of Governors - Sean Taylor, staylor@st-marys-bicester.oxon.sch.uk. Opportunities also exist for other more senior roles within the Governing Body.

PENTECOST INTERNATIONAL BRING AND SHARE LUNCH Sunday 8th June after 11am Mass. All are invited to join together as an international community in the JP2 centre for a Bring and Share lunch to celebrate Pentecost. Wherever you originate from we would love you to bring along some traditional food to a collective meal celebrating our cultures and traditions. This is a lovely way to meet new people with our parish community that you may see but never chat with. Let us bring our community closer to each other. For more information contact Jan Hartley 07718006645 or Claire St John 01869246787. Please see Diary Dates section for more events planned. More details on these in due course.

JOB OPPORTUNITY Blessed George Napier School requires an English Teacher from Sept 2025. Go to <https://mynewterm.com/school/Blessed-George-Napier-Catholic-School-and-Sixth-Form/141146> for more details.

MISSIO RED BOX 2024 In 2024 Our parish raised £573 through the Red Boxes, including individuals giving directly to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank you! We are part of a world wide network of people supporting missionaries overseas though prayer and financial assistance.

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JUBILEE YEAR 2025
"Pilgrims of Hope"
 To find out more, visit: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jubilee-year or scan:

Your support enables people to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and to work together to improve the lives of the whole community.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION The Good Friday collection for Holy Places raised £476.40. God Bless you for your generosity!

BAPTISM COURSE The next course will take place on Saturday 28th June at 10am in the JP2 Centre. Please contact the parish office to register.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS Pray for our parish children who are preparing to celebrate their First Holy Communion on Saturdays at 11 am on the 10th May & 17th May. Pray also for their families, teachers and catechists who have prepared them for the sacrament.

CONCLAVE As the Cardinals prepare to elect for a new Pope, go to [Conclave to elect new Pope to begin on 7 May - Catholic Bishops' Conference](#) to read all about it.

DIARY DATES:

Coffee Mornings Every first Friday of the month from 10-11.45am. Note: June CM on 13th .

Pentecost International Bring and Share Lunch: Sunday 8th June after 11am Mass.

Family Picnic with Presentation of Sacramental Certificates at St Mary's - Sunday July 6th.

Beetle Drive with Fish 'n Chip Dinner: Family fun Saturday 20th September after 6pm Mass.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CANDLE MONEY Please place money into wall collection box at the back of church near the piety shop. Alternatively pay by card 'Sanctuary lamps & votives.'

SECOND COLLECTIONS

4th /18th /25th May: Parish Maintenance
 11th May: Clergy Training Fund

PARISH GIVING

BICESTER LINK TO DONATE:

<https://portal.myдона.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=528>

Standing Orders/Donations/Payments/100 Club

Bicester: Sort Code: 51 70 15 Acc. No: 02342731

Hethe: Sort Code: 51 70 15 Acc. No: 02301466

Mass intentions offerings: By cash in offering envelopes from the back of church or option 'mass offerings' on card machine, please enter surname when prompted.

CONTACTLESS You can also donate by scanning the QR code with your phone or by card at the machine in the church porch. If you pay tax, please consider Gift Aiding your donation. Each time you make a subsequent donation using the same card, Gift Aid will be collected automatically.

Gift Aid it!! You could add 25% to the value of your donation. Contact Sr Sani the Parish Gift Aid Co-ordinator.

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 Go to the website or follow this link
<https://camstreamer.com/redirect/SFORcspHizNr8niFC4Is5oJQBgoc37B8YBcJKVpC>

Follow the readings at Mass: <https://universalis.com/mass.htm>
 A CCTV System operates 24 hours a day. This is in place for the safety of people, protection of property and crime prevention.



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Immaculate Conception @BICESTER



And **Holy Trinity @** Hardwick Rd, HETHE OX27 8AW

Henley House, 12 Causeway, Bicester, OX26 6AW

Parish website: <https://www.immaculate-conception.org.uk>

Archdiocesan : <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk> Deanery: <https://banburyandwarwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk>

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
4th May 2025

Month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary - Sunday Cycle C - Psalter Week 3
 Prayer Intention for working conditions: Let us pray that through work, each person may find fulfilment, that families will be sustained in dignity, and that society becomes more human.



DATE	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTERS	WELCOMERS
SAT 3rd	10.00am 11.00am Vigil Mass 4.00pm Hethe 6.00pm	Anita Magleo(RIP) Nuptial Mass - Inacio Lopus & Erfina Da Silva People of the Parish Ints Of Agapito Da Costa Dias (Belated b'day)	Feast of Ss Philip & James, A	J Kokore P Sims	B Santiago/O Panejko	L & B Hattam
SUN 4th	9.00am 11.00am 1.00pm	Holy Souls Luza Sundaria (RIP) Baptism—Mia Harper Scarlett Gavrila	Third Sunday of Easter	L & R Weaver S Joseph/R Silvy	A Mutton/A Hall J & J Kokore	L & C Cleeve Jimenez Family
MON 5th	9.30am Hethe 12 noon	Ints of Bishop William Kenney Ints of Emilia Nheu (Birthday)	Easter Feria	A Fitzpatrick		
TUE 6th	9.30am	Requiem Mass - Pope Francis (RIP)	Easter Feria	H King		
WED 7th		No Mass	Easter Feria			
THU 8th	9.30am 11.00am	Mike Gosling (RIP) Funeral Service at N. O Crem — Maureen Evans (RIP)	Easter Feria	J Kokore		
FRI 9th	12 noon	Crisostomo Ramos (RIP)	Easter Feria	E King		
SAT 10th	11.00am 4.00pm Hethe 6.00pm	1st Holy Communion Mass People of the Parish Jim O'Brien (RIP)	Mem. of Our Lady	School Reader B & K McFall	O Panejko/B Santiago	McArdle Family
SUN 11th	9.00am 11.00am 1.00pm	Ints of Bernard Chellar Ints of Gabriel Jimenez Baptism—Alfred Martin Tullett	Fourth Sunday of Easter	A Kirby-Hall/P Cousins H King/E Green	L & D Jimenez J Marshall/Sr Sani	C St John/A Mutton R Elgado & Friends



MORE WELCOMERS AND LECTORS ARE NEEDED ESPECIALLY FOR THE 6PM AND

11AM MASSES. Please speak to Fr Craig or contact the office if you would like

information or offer to volunteer.



Tea & coffee in the centre after the 9am and 11am masses every weekend - come along for a chat and meet your fellow parishioners.



This week we pray for...

SANCTUARY LIGHT: Thanksgiving for All Blessings

OUR LADY'S CHAPEL: Agnieszka Nowak

If you wish to sponsor one of the sanctuary lamps which perpetually burn in the Church, please complete and return a slip to the parish office or sisters.

Safeguarding: Both our Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding. Guidance & the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parishes Safeguarding Representatives are:
Elizabeth Green: sg.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk &
Les Cleeve: sg.holytrinity.hethe@rcaob.org.uk
Diocesan Safeguarding Team 0121 2306240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Church	First Collection	Second Collection	Standing Orders	Mass Attendance
Bicester	£487.85	£237.27	£1122	445
Hethe	£45	-	£185	31

Parish Priest: Father Craig Davies BA (hons) STB fr.craig.davies@rcaob.org.uk

Parish Deacons:

Rev Mr Michael Panejko MA 01869 246 459 /**Altar Servers:** dce.michael.panejko@rcaob.org.uk

Rev Mr Nick St John: 01869 246 787 /**Parish Youth:** yth.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

Retired Priest: Rev. Fr. Pat Armstrong

Parish Sisters: Ursuline Convent - Sr Rose Mathew - 01869 327 689

Parish Office/Secretary: Lucia Hattam Wednesday & Friday 9am-4pm 01869 253277 / tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

St John Paul II Centre Bookings: Srs Sani & Molly Monday-Friday 10am-4pm 01869 324 307 / office@johnpaulcentre.co.uk

Gift Aid - Sr Sani Vijayan ga.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk

Parish Sacramental Programme - Clare St John psc.tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk
 Go to contacts page on website for parish group contacts .

Archdiocese of Birmingham: "Our Vision is to be a Catholic Diocese which is faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ, full of missionary disciples who work together co-responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour".

Third Sunday in Easter

Entrance Antiphon: Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia

First reading

Acts 5:27b-32, 40b-41

In those days: The high priest questioned the Apostles, saying, ‘We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man’s blood upon us.’ But Peter and the Apostles answered, ‘We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.’

Having called in the Apostles, the council beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonour for the name.

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: *I will extol you, LORD, for you have raised me up.*

Second reading

Revelation 5:11-14

I, John looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, ‘Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing!’ And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, ‘To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might for ever and ever!’ And the four living creatures said, ‘Amen!’ and the elders fell down and worshipped.

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia.

**Christ is risen, who created all things
and has shown compassion on the human race. Alleluia.**

Gospel

John 21:1-19

At that time: Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said to them, ‘I am going fishing.’ They said to him, ‘We will go with you.’ They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, ‘Children, do you have any fish?’ They answered him, ‘No.’ He said to them, ‘Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some.’ So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, ‘It is the Lord!’ When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred metres off.

When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, ‘Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.’ So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, one hundred and fifty -three of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, ‘Come and have breakfast.’ Now none of the disciples dared ask him, ‘Who are you?’ They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, ‘Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?’ He said to him, ‘Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.’ He said to him, ‘Feed my lambs.’ He said to him a second time, ‘Simon, son of John, do you love me?’ He said to him, ‘Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.’ He said to him, ‘Tend my sheep.’ He said to him the third time, ‘Simon, son of John, do you love me?’ Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, ‘Do you love me?’ and he said to him, ‘Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Feed my sheep. Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go.’ (This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, ‘Follow me.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

EASTER SEASON

Priest: In the name of the Father

People: **Amen**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Penitential Act

Everyone: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Gloria

Priest/Choir: Glory to God in the highest,

Everyone: and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

After the first and second readings

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

Gospel acclamation

Reader: Alleluia... (a few words)

People: Alleluia.

Before the Gospel reading

Priest/Deacon: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest/Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to...

People: **Glorify to you, O Lord.**

After the Gospel reading

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

The Nicene Creed

Everyone: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (*all bow*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Bidding Prayers

All: Hear our Prayer *or* Lord, graciously hear us.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

Priest: The Lord be with you. **People:** **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts. **People:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** **It is right and just.**

Everyone: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Memorial Acclamation

Priest: **The mystery of faith.**

People: ONE OF THESE:

A We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

B When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

C Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Doxology

Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

People: **Amen**

Priest: At the Saviour’s command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say: **Our Father....**

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every

People: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

Sign of Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest/Deacon: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

To each other: **Peace be with you**

Lamb of God

People: **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (2)**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God,

People: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

Concluding Rites

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit**

Priest: May almighty God.....

All: **Amen**

Priest/Deacon: Go forth the Mass is ended.

All: **Thanks be to God.**