

Teams for	4/8	11/8	18/8	25/8	1/9
Children lit. (4)	none	none	none	none	none
Coffee 9am (11)	11	1	2	3	4
Coffee 11am (9)5	3	4	6	7	8
Flowers	Jo	Srs	Srs	New rota	

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Mary Lynch, Victor Francis, K Cashman, Tim Charles & Jean McIntosh, Lucia Ostrowska.

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: Hethe: *Saturday from 3.15pm - 3.50 pm (in the Sacristy)* Bicester: 5.15 pm - 5.45pm
EAST TIMOR COMMUNITY PRAYER: First Sunday of the month at 5.00pm @ Ursuline Convent
HOLY HOUR: Every First Friday from 6.00pm to 7.00pm (Not during Lent)
PARISH OUTREACH GROUP: Please contact the Office if you need some form of practical help -252 277.
PIETY SHOP: Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday around Masses.
URSULINE LAY ASSOCIATES MEETING: 2nd Wednesday of every month at 2pm @ Ursuline Convent.

HOLY HETHE, HETHE - MAINTENANCE WORK Redecoration of the church and sacristy is now underway. In order for work to be finished quicker there will be no mass on Saturday 10th August so that the workmen can work straight through. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

MESSAGE FROM CANON JOHN Canon John would like to sincerely thank everyone for joining him in his farewell mass and celebration. It was a wonderful send off. He is very grateful to all who contributed in making it a very special and memorable occasion, from altar servers, choir members, singers, welcomers, ministers and all who attended. Thank you also to everyone who worked hard in setting up and clearing away at the end and to those who worked behind the scenes to make the event run smoothly. Additionally to everyone who generously brought along food to share, it was an amazing spread that everyone enjoyed. Canon John is now in India enjoying a well deserved rest before taking up his new appointment.

INDUCTION Canon John will be inducted as parish priest of St George's, Worcester on Thursday, 17th October at 7pm. A coach has been arranged for parishioners. Please add your name/s to the list at the back of church if you would like to attend. Cost £15 pp, this can be paid on the card machine, option 'Worcester' His new address is: St George's Church, 2 Sansome Place, Worcester, WR1 1UG.

LEAVING GIFT As a parish we collected £5,000 for Canon John's leaving gift for which he is extremely grateful. He, as always will keep each and everyone in his prayers.

SUPPLY We thank Fr Pat who will be covering Saturday 6pm masses until the weekend of August 18th. Sunday masses will be covered by Bishop William Kenney. We welcome and thank them for assisting us.

Assumption of the Virgin Blessed Mary, Holy day of Obligation, Thursday 15th August, Masses at 12 noon and 7pm.

COFFEE MORNING The next Coffee Morning will be held on Friday, September 6th from 10am. Cakes & coffee, all welcome!

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2024-25 Dates for meetings, lessons and celebrations are now available on our website and are on display on the church notice board. The Enrolment Session will take place on Monday, 23rd September at 7pm at the St John Paul II Centre. Forms are available online and from the back of church. Please return them to the enrolment session and not the office. Thank you.

PARISH OFFICE/ST JP II Please note that the parish office & centre will be closed on some days during August. It is advisable to call prior to popping in. Office: 01869 253 277/ St JP II: 01869 324 307.

BAPTISM COURSE The next and last course of 2024 will take place on Saturday, 5th October at 10am in the St John Paul II Centre. Please contact the Parish Office to register your attendance if you are thinking of arranging a baptism for your child between October-April 2025.

100 WINNERS 100 CLUB for Jul 2024, drawn Sun 28th July after 9am Mass. £100 - 97 R Evans, £50 - 53 A Hall, £25 - 68 T Kenny.

MISSION/APF We would be grateful if you box holders could please empty their red boxes and deliver contents to the Piety Shop or office. Brown envelopes are available at the back of church, please add your details onto the envelopes. If you are able to Gift Aid your donations please let the parish office know.

PARISH MEETINGS All meetings currently scheduled will be rearranged or confirmed once Fr Craig is in residence.

SANCTUARY LAMPS 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.

Parish Groups

All our groups are ready and keen to welcome new volunteers! If you are interested in any of the following please contact the office and your detail will be passed on to the group coordinators.

Lectors, welcomers, choir members, altar servers, children's liturgy, rosary, flower team, church cleaners, JP II volunteers, piety, after mass coffee & gardening.

Email your interest to tic.bicester@rcaob.org.uk



Aid to the church in need website <https://acnuk.org/acn-news/>

Dates to remember

Date to be confirmed: Aid to the Church in Need Appeal Sunday, 22nd Sept: International Mass at 11 am followed by Shared Lunch
 Saturday, 5th October: Filipino Day of Prayer from 3.30 pm
 Sunday, 20th October: Harvest Lunch in St John Paul II Centre.
 Monday, 4th November: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting TBC
 Tuesday, 5th November: Parish Finance Council meeting. TBC
 Sunday, 24th November: Christmas Bazar after 9am and 11 am Masses
 Sunday, 22nd December: Christmas Raffle Draw after 11 am Mass

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

SECOND COLLECTIONS

4th, 11th, 18th, 25th August: Parish Maintenance

PARISH GIVING

BICESTER LINK TO DONATE:

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

Standing Orders/Donations/Payments

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

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

MASS STIPENDS/OFFERINGS:

Canon John Y Batthula: Sort code: 60-08-40 Acc. No. 75459760

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



Church	First Collection	Second Collection	AOS	Standing Orders	Tap & Go & Web	Mass Attendance
Bicester	£428.89	£269.45		£1157	£260	404
Hethe	£80	£30		£185		25



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Please subscribe our Parish YouTube Channel We use live streaming Go to the website and/or follow this link <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/Sf0RcspHjzNr8niFC4ls0jQBgoc37B8YBCjKVpC>



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August is the Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Cycle B - Weekdays - Year II

Weekend beginning 4th August - 11th 2024 - Psalter Week 2

Pope's Prayer Intention for August: We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

JULY	TIME		FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTERS	WELCOMERS
SAT 3rd		NO MASS AT HETHE	18th Sunday OT	P Sims		
Vigil Mass	6.00pm	People of the Parish		M Brown	No	S & M Doherty
SUN 4th	9.00am	Dr Jack Coughlan (100th birthday) (RIP)		J Hurst	Extraordinary	Brown Family
	11.00 am	Betty Leonard (RIP) Osorio Fernandes Verdial (RIP)			Ministers until	R Elegado & Friends
MON 5th	6.00pm	Service of the Word with Holy Communion	Feria in Ordinary time	M Daniel	September 1st	
TUE 6th	6.00pm	Service of the Word with Holy Communion	Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord	L Cleeve		
WED 7th	6.00pm	Service of the Word with Holy Communion	Feria in Ordinary time	J Kokore		
THU 8th	6.00pm	Service of the Word with Holy Communion	Mem of St Dominic, P	H King		
FRI 9th	6.00pm	Service of the Word with Holy Communion	Feast of St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), V, M,	E King		
SAT 10th		NO MASS AT HETHE				
Vigil Mass	6.00pm	Perpetua Kelly (RIP) Lynn Burrows (RIP)	19th Sunday in OT	R Joseph		M Marrs & P Behan
SUN 11th	9.00am	Angus Forsyth (RIP)		E Penhallow		A Mutton & L Williams
	11.00 am	Rose Avdvee (RIP)		Felicity/H King		Kokore Family

Friday 9th August - Day of Prayer for Europe.

Come and light a candle and pray for peace.

Church open daily 9am-4pm.

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This week we pray for...
SANCTUARY LIGHT: Harry Jeanne (RIP)
OUR LADY'S LIGHT: Ints of O'Rourke Family

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Safeguarding: Both our Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding. Guidance & the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures are 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 can be contacted on 0121 2306240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance antiphon: **O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord do not delay.**

First Reading

"The Lord sends manna from heaven"

Exodus 16:2-4

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our heart's content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!' Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them in this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.'

'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your heart's content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God."

And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

The word of the Lord

All : Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord gave them bread from heaven. (3 V)

Second Reading

"Put aside your old self and put on the new"

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the way, Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia!

Gospel

"It is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven; I am the bread of life"

John 6:24-35

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered: 'I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

HOLY MASS

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

... (a few words)

People **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

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: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the Gospel reading

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Creed - **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, 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

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 & announce the Gospel of the Lord