

Teams for	16/6	23/6	30/6	7/7	14/7	21/7
Children lit. (4)	1	2	3	-	4	-
Coffee 9am (11)	4	5	6	7	8	9
Coffee 11am (9)½	4	6	7	8	9	1
Flowers	Sandy	Sandy	Anita	Anita		

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

**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.

**PARISH FORUM SATURDAY 22ND JUNE 10AM-12 MIDDAY:** In preparation for the Forum please reflect on the follow paragraph and consider the 3 questions below. **Pope Francis'** definition of what a Parish should be. *"The parish is the presence of the Church in a given territory, an environment for hearing God's Word, for growth in the Christian Life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration. In all its activities the parish encourages and trains its members to be evangelizers. It is a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey and a centre of constant missionary outreach". Evangelii Gaudium paragraph 28*

1. What does this paragraph mean to you?
2. What are we doing already as a Parish that takes us towards achieving this?
3. What priorities do you see for the future that will enable us to further achieve this as a Parish?

*We would be grateful if you could please sign up on the sheet in the church porch if you are attending the Forum.*

**NEW LECTIONARIES:** Sunday Missals will be available from October onwards if you would like to pre order a copy please do so in the piety shop. Payments of £20 per copy in advance.

**URSULINE LAY ASSOCIATES:** Retreat Day on Wednesday, 19th June at Ursuline Convent from 10.30 am to 3.00 pm.

**THE 11AM SUNDAY CHOIR** is welcoming new members. Choir practice is this coming Wednesday at 7.30pm. Please contact Anne Kearsley through the church office or say hello on Sunday.

**CAKE SALE:** Thank you for your support. Very grateful to Jackie and Les.  
**CLOSING LITURGY AND MEETING OF DEANERY VISITATIONS AT THE PARISH OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:** On Thursday, 27th June at 7.00pm. All clergy and faithful from various parishes are invited to attend. We begin the evening with Vespers at 7pm, followed by refreshments and meeting in St John Paul II Centre, where Archbishop Bernard and Episcopal Vicar Canon Paul will report on the Deanery Visitations & the recommendations to put into action.

**CHURCHES IN BICESTER, GENERAL ELECTION HUSTINGS, Wednesday 26 June 2024 St Edburg's Church 730pm.** For all Christians, deciding how we are going to vote is an important decision. For the past three General Elections, C.I.B have joined together to run General Election Hustings meetings: public meetings where people can listen to and ask questions of the candidates who hope to represent them in the UK Parliament. We hope that all six of our local candidates will be present. Meetings sponsored by the churches provide an opportunity for genuine political debate on neutral territory. Do come and join us. No need to book, just turn up. For information, speak to Deacon Nick, or see adverts in this week's online Oxford Mail and Bicester Advertiser. The **Parish Environmental Group** would like you to put thought to: *Consider which candidate will protect our waterways and reduce the amount of sewage which is polluting them?*

**MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING:** Thank you for your support. The total raised was £142. The next coffee morning will be held on Friday, 5th July from 10 am to 11.45 am. All are welcome to come along.

**FAMILY DAY & PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES:** On **Sunday, 7th July** we will celebrate 11 am Mass as Thanksgiving for all the blessings we have received through the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. I invite all families to participate in this Mass. There will be BBQ & Indian takeaway and other food will be available for lunch along with other refreshments. Certificates presented at 1.15pm.

**FUNDRAISER** The Churches in Bicester Refugee Support group are holding a fundraising event 'Confessions of an Antiques Auctioneer' with Charlie Ross on Monday, 8th July at 7.30 at St Edburg's Church, tickets £10. For tickets contact Sue on 01869 247857 or [sue.4wilde@btinternet.com](mailto:sue.4wilde@btinternet.com) or Coles bookshop, please support this fundraising event.

**THE SECOND COLLECTION** this weekend will be for Day for Life. In England and Wales, Day for Life is celebrated on the third Sunday of June each year. Day for Life is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition, for more information go to <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life>

**DERMOT MCDERMOTT RIP:** There will be a Memorial Mass on Thursday, 4th July at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Hethe at 2pm followed by interment of ashes. The family wish to invite you for this Mass & refreshments after in St Philips Hall.

**ANNUAL REPORT:** My apologies, I have missed some other contact details in the Parish. **Tradecraft:** Anne Poole; **Grow your Faith/RCIA:** Ron Weaver; **Parish Website:** Marek Lewandowski.

**THE CHOSEN SEASON 4 :** Will resume after the summer break.

**YEAR OF PRAYER 2024** Theme - **"WE DARE TO SAY"** Five sessions on "Our Father" will take place after summer break.

**DAILY MEDITATIONS:** Pray As you Go: Please use the following link: <https://pray-as-you-go.org/>

**Dates to remember**  
 Saturday 22nd June - Parish Forum Meeting 10am-12 noon  
 Sunday 7th July - Family Festival & Presentation of Certificates (11am Mass)  
 20th/21st July: Aid to the Church in Need Appeal  
 Monday, 2nd September: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting  
 Tuesday, 3rd Sept: Parish Finance Council Meeting  
 Sunday, 22nd Sept: International Mass at 11 am followed by Shared Lunch  
 Sunday, 20th October: Harvest Lunch in St John Paul II Centre.  
 Monday, 4th November: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting  
 Tuesday, 5th November: Parish Finance Council meeting.  
 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

16th June: Day for Life  
 23rd/30th June: 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 or speak to me. (Canon John)



Church	First Collection	Parish Maintenance	Standing Orders	Tap & Go Donations	Mass Attendance
Bicester	£ 453.77	£ 206.75	£1157	£224	476
Hethe	£ 23		£185		28



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June is the Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

### Eleventh Sunday in ordinary time

Sunday Cycle B - Weekdays - Year II

Weekend beginning 16th to 23rd June 2024 - Psalter Week 3

**Pope's Prayer Intention for June:** We pray that migrants from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.



JUNE	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	LECTORS	E O MINISTERS	WELCOMERS
SAT 15th	4.00 pm	People of the Parish	11th Sunday in OT	R Deane		
Vigil	6.00 pm	Joseph Thundathil (RIP)		R John/T Nugent	O Panejko/B Santiago	M Marrs/P Behan
SUN 16th	9.00 am	For donors intentions and for deceased members of donors families		P Cousins/ S McCarthy	D & L Jimenez	Brown Family
	11.00 am	Intentions of all Choir Members		R Evans/ J Hurst	J & J Kokore	Orleans Family
MON 17th	9.30 am @Hethe	Holy Souls	Feria in ordinary time			
	12 noon	In Thanksgiving - Penhallow Family		M Daniel	Sr Rose	
TUE 18th	9.30 am	Intentions of Mark Kalch (recovery)	Dedication of the Cathedral	L Cleeve	Jacob Kokore	
	7.00 pm	Clergy & Laity meeting for the South Group				St John Paul II Centre
Wed 19th	9.30 am (Chu)	Mary Bridgett Corr (RIP)	Feria in ordinary time	School Children		
	10.30 am - 3.00pm	Half a Day Retreat for Ursuline Lay Associates at the Convent				4-6 Kings End
THU 20th	9.30 am	Intentions of Mary Lynch	Feria in ordinary time	L Cleeve	Sr Sani	
FRI 21st	12 Noon	Peter & Marie Murowskie (RIP)	Mem. St Aloysius Gonzaga R	E King	J Kokore	
SAT 22nd	10.00 am	Parish Open Meeting				
	11.00 am	Baptism of Chimereya Ayla Isjani				
	4.00 pm @Hethe	People of the Parish	12th Sunday in OT	R Deane/V Burns		
Vigil Mass	6.00 pm	Theresa O'Byrne (RIP)		B & K McFall	S & M Doherty	McArdle family
SUN 23rd	9.00 am	Intentions of Marie Oke		E Penhallow/A Jimenez	J Li/A Mutton	Frankie/Kien
	11.00 am	Intentions of The Evans Family		J Franta/A Kearsley	D Gunaratna/Sr Rose	Franta Family

Parish open meeting on Saturday 22nd June from 10 am - 12 Noon in St John Paul II Centre. All are invited.

This week we pray for...  
**SANCTUARY LIGHT: O'Rourke Family**  
**OUR LADY'S LIGHT:**



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 Very Rev. Canon John Y Batthula BA, MA, Dip. Cat., MA Ed  
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# ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance antiphon: **O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my saviour!**

First Reading *"I make low trees grow"* Ezekiel 17:22-24

The Lord says this: 'From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green. I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

The word of the Lord  
**All: Thanks be to God**

Responsorial Psalm **It is good to give you thanks, O Lord ( 3 V )**

Second Reading *"We want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord "* 2 Cori. 5:6- 10

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

The word of the Lord  
**All: Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation **Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!**

Gospel *"The kingdom of God is a mustard seed growing into the biggest shrub of all".* Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said to the crowds: 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time: he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

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