



THE PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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THE MONTH OF MAY IS DEDICATED TO BLESSED VIRGIN MARY SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

BREVIARY: WEEK 1 OF PSALTER (YEAR B) Weekdays Year 1

Sunday 31st May to Saturday 6th June 2015

Masses & Events during this week

<u>Times</u>	<u>Intentions</u>	<u>Feasts</u>
Saturday 30th May		<i>Feria</i>
5.30 pm	Rosary, Litany & Angelus	
6.00 pm	Rory O'Rourke (RIP)	
Sunday 31st May	<i>Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity</i>	
9.00 am	People of the Parish and Garrison- Children's Liturgy	
11.00 am	Thanksgiving & Intentions of Joyce Thornley Rites & Baptisms	
Monday 1st June		<i>Memorial of St Justin, M</i>
9.30 am	Elise Rawicz -Szczerbo (RIP)	
7.15pm	Social & Fundraising Committee meeting	
Tuesday 2nd June		<i>Feria in Ordinary time</i>
9.30 am	Intentions of Paul Selwood	
2.00 pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet	
Wednesday 3rd June	<i>Mem of Ss Charles Lwanga & Comp, M</i>	
9.30 am	Julien Axten (RIP)	
Thursday 4th June		<i>Feria in Ordinary time</i>
9.30 am	Elise Rawicz -Szczerbo (RIP)	
Friday 5th June		<i>Mem of St Boniface, B, M</i>
12 Noon	Rory O'Rourke (RIP)	
7.00 pm to 8.00 pm	First Friday Devotions & Holy Hour	
Saturday 6th June		<i>Feria in Ordinary time</i>
10.15 am	Maggie Ryan - Get well	
5.30 pm	Rosary, Litany & Angelus	
6.00 pm	Bill & Kitty Hornby (RIP)	
Sunday 7th June	<i>Solemnity of the Corpus Christi</i>	
9.00 am	People of the Parish and Garrison- Children's Liturgy	
11.00 am	Well being of Persecuted Christians	
followed by Procession to the Garth Park for Benediction		

Confessions: Saturday 10.50 to 11.30 am & 5.00 - 5.30 pm & on call.
Coffee & Tea after 9.00 am & 11.00 am Masses in JP II Centre.



Dear Parishioners,

When we speak about the sign of the Cross we speak of God the Father who made our world and everything in it. A God who made us what we are and then set out everything we need. When we speak of God the Son, we speak of a God who gave our lives purpose and meaning through his teaching, his miracles, but most of all, by his shining example. And when we talk of God the Holy Spirit we talk of the power of God that is with us always, ready to be called upon, enabling us to do great things when our human powers are simply not enough.

It's wonderful to know that we have been created by God, shaped by Jesus and guided by the Spirit. We have to share this realisation with other people. "Go therefore," Jesus tells us in today's gospel, "and make disciples of all nations baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit... and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you..."

We tend to feel a bit uncomfortable about evangelising, and for good reason, but there are little things we can all do that can be very effective, such as by helping someone back to church who doesn't come any more, or by offering them a lift, or take our newsletter round to someone who is too elderly to attend Mass anymore, or invite non-Catholic friends to get involved in the next parish event, or simply lead by example, getting involved in something we are passionate about and making positive changes to one other person or a community of people somewhere in the world. However we choose to evangelise, remember God's promise, "I am with you always, to the end of the age."

God Bless You

Fr. John Y Batthula

Parish Priest

LEGACIES & LAST WILL

Have you thought of including the parish in your last will? In the past Parishes were left with legacies. If you would like to leave a legacy to the parish, please contact me.

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

Your prayers are requested for our sick parishioners and friends, especially those whose names appear below:

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND: M Wallace, M Smyth, G Marchant, C Whitehead, B Hunt, B Shepard, P Harris, F J Smith, G Newton, P Davies, C Busby, M Smith, E Browne, E Cotter, J Hurst, L Lambert, F Ostrowski, S Clarke, P Lunney, J Fowler, J James, B & D Weaver, P Dean, N Southey, E Stonell, A McCambridge, J Calver, P Sebwood, J James, J O'Rourke, C Burns, M Lewandowski, M May, A Davies, N Cahill, Mrs Curzon, J Calnan, A Kustra, C Brown, C Morgan, E Hawkins, M Starrett, E Batchelor, M Bokhari, K Cashman, R Adams, Sr: Mary Humbert, C B Corpus, M Delos Santos, M J Murray, B & I Cook, G O'Byrne, Amal Blakeley, Paul Mears. **Please contact the parish office if you wish your name to be added or taken off the sick list.**

SCRIPTURE GROUP Thursday 8-9.30pm. If you would like to join us, contact Nick and Clare StJohn.

BATTHULA CARE TRUST: Can you spare £10 a month to give a bright future to a poor and less privileged child? Would you like to support a family suffering with Leprosy? If you would like to give a donation, take a flyer from our Parish Information Stand. Every pound you donate goes to the Trust's charitable work. Your £10 per month can make a difference.. So please join in this noble cause. Thank you.

MASS FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: On Saturday 27th of June at 12 noon. A list has been placed on the notice board for names to be added of volunteers who can assist with transport for this Mass. If you are aware of a housebound or sick neighbour or friend please consider bringing them along to this Mass. Lunch will be held in the Pope John Paul II afterwards. We need people to provide transport, if you would like to help us, please add your names or contact the parish office. Thank you.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION TO THE GARTH PARK: By tradition, Catholics take part in a procession through the streets of a neighbourhood near their parish following mass and pray and sing. The

Eucharist is placed in a monstrance and is held aloft by a member of the clergy during the procession, on this occasion towards the Garth Park, where Benediction will take place at the band stand. I invite all children who made their First Holy Communion and their families to participate in Mass and in this procession on Sunday 7th June at 11.00 am. All children should wear their First Holy Communion outfits and they will lead the Blessed Sacrament Procession. Let us seek the Eucharistic Lord to bless Bicester and its surrounding villages and to help us revive this tradition. Wardens are needed to guide along the route, please contact the parish office if you can help.



BISHOP ROBERT BYRNE: Bishop Robert will be celebrating 11 am Mass on Sunday 14th June. During the Mass, Nick St. John, Tim Anthony and Keith Millage who are under training to be ordained as permanent deacons for our Diocese will be receiving the ministry of Acolyte. Let us welcome their families and friends & also let us keep them in our prayers. There will be refreshments in the Centre afterwards.

PIETY SHOP: Every Friday before (30 min) & after (30 min) 12 noon Mass and every weekend at all Masses. Variety of Mass cards, Rosary beads, prayer cards and bookmarkers etc. You may also leave Mass offering envelopes in the shop.

INDIAN CUISINE EVENING: Our Sincere thanks to Hilary King for coordinating our enjoyable evening. Hilary would like to thank everyone who contributed to the raffle, preparation, cooking and clearing of Father John's Indian Cuisine Evening. Many smiles and lots of hard, cheerful work put in by so many wonderful people created a really happy Parish event. Dhanyawadham . Total raised for the Parish £ 2468.00.

Teams For Sunday the:	31/5	7/6	14/6	21/6	28/6
Counting (8) (no team 5)	8	1	2	3	4
Cleaning (7)	6	7	1	2	3
Children lit. (5)	3	4	5	1	2
Coffee 9am ^{ns}	3/2	4/3	5/1	6/7	7/5
11am ^{(7)no 4/6}					
Flowers	Lucia	Lucia & Sally	Bernadette	Bernadette	Carolyne
Tradecraft				open	

DIARY DATES

Cake and Produce Sale - First Sunday of the month after both Sunday Masses
TRADECRAFT Stall open every 3rd weekend of the month.

YOUTH GROUP- Mondays 7.15 pm – 8.30 pm at JPIL. After Easter break.

BABY AND TODDLER Term time Thursday 9.15-10.45am at Presentation Convent.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY- Sunday at 9.00 am Mass.

PRESENTATION ASSOC. Monthly meetings first Wednesday of month.

100 CLUB DRAW After 9.00am Mass last Sunday of the month.

13th June: Summer Fete at School

14th June: Bishop Robert will celebrate 11 am Mass

27th June: Healing Mass - all sick & housebound will be invited

21st June: Father's Day Celebrations

5th July: Summer Family Festival & Presentation of the Certificates

12th July: MISSIO Mass at 11am. - Mgr & Canon James Cronin

20th September: International Mass & shared Lunch

October: Family Life & Renewal of Marriage vows during Mass.

CHURCH TABLE TOP SALE Will be held on Saturday 6th June at 10am. if you have any items you would like to donate please bring them to the Office. (Out side of Church, if wet, it will be held in Pope John Paul II Centre).

ANNUAL DIOCESAN MISSIO MASS AND APF/MISSION BOX

Mgr. James Cronin, the National Director of MISSIO will be the principle celebrant at the Diocesan annual Mass on Sunday 12th July at 11 am Mass.

Local Secretaries from others parishes in the diocese will be joining us at this mass which is followed by presentation about the work of MISSIO in different parts of the world. If any 'ex' promoters or any parishioner can help with refreshments for after the MISSIO Mass on the 12th July, please contact Lucia.

Thank you. Please could all Red Mission Box holders empty and/or return the contents of their boxes to the parish office or welcomers. Please remember to include your name when delivering your donation. Empty boxes can be found at the back of church if required. If you are aware of a neighbour or friend who may have a box that has not been emptied for a while please encourage them to bring it to the parish office. The Summer 'Mission Today' is now available.

"MAYTIME" LUNCH: Our sincere thanks to the organisers for raising £447.34. Our thanks also to all those who came along to support. Next lunch is on Tuesday 23rd June in Pope John Paul II Centre. Thank you.

SUMMER FETE The joint fete on Saturday 13th June will be held at school this year. Can you help on the day or with donations? Please add your details to the list on the church notice board if you can, we are in desperate need of helpers.

100 CLUB: There is still time if anyone wants to join. You have to be in it to win it. So why don't you see one of the Catenians at the back of the Church or contact Parish Office. My sincere thanks to all Catenians for their continued support to the parish.

CHURCH CLEANING: We need more volunteers to help us to clear Church. The more people that volunteer to help, the less times you will be asked to clean. If you can help, please contact Parish Office.

HEATING FUND TO DATE

Last week's donations	£
Total Funds	£35, 857.23

BANK TRANSFERS TO THE PARISH ACCOUNT:

If you are giving any donations to the Parish Maintenance or Heating Fund via Bank Transfer, please will you let the office or me know so that we can claim gift aid.

Collections

This weekend's 2nd collection will be for
Parish Maintenance

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PARISH OFFERINGS

1st Coll: Gift Aid £ 344.40

PINK Loose £ 354.47

2nd Coll: Gift Aid £ 135.43

BLUE Loose £ 193.80

Total £ 1028.10

Monthly Standing Orders for April £1955.66

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

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS – This weekend:

Sat. 6.00 pm: D Zanre, S Jacob, H Johnson, M Hendricks

Sun. 9.00 am: K Coffey, C Laurie, A Dunkley, D Hilton

Sun. 11.00 am: B Tah, C Tah, D Johnson, F Thornley

Next Weekend:

Sat. 6.00 pm: A Hook, L Hook, P & K Kallay

Sun. 9.00 am: V Conway, E Conway, N Conway, K Riley

Sun. 11.00 am: P Pickering, J & J Kokore, O Panejko

LECTORS - This weekend:

Sat. 6.00 pm: P & P Kallay

Sun. 9.00 am: A Mutton, C St John

Sun. 11.00 am: S Grose, A Kearsley

Next Weekend:

Sat. 6.00 pm: J Latham, A Nelson

Sun. 9.00 am: L & R Weaver

Sun. 11.00 am: M Lewandowski, J Willett

WELCOMERS This weekend:

Sat. 6.00 pm: J Marshall, L Hook

Sun. 9.00 am: Holliday family

Sun. 11.00 am: S Grose, S Matairatu

Next Weekend:

Sat. 6.00 pm: M Marrs, M Hardy

Sun. 9.00 am: C Moyse, M Daniel

Sun. 11.00 am: St Mary's school children

MASS ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND: Saturday 6.00 pm: 142, Sunday 9.00 am: 139, 11.00 am: 170 Total: 451