



The Parish of Our Lady & St John & Christ the King



Goring - on - Thames & Woodcote

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Sunday Mass times	6pm (Sat)	10am	11.30am
READERS 2-3 April	M. Wilkinson	MacIntosh Family	Mss Griffiths/Gregory
" 9-10 April	C & D Sexon	D Browne	G Mc Adden
Cleaning/Flowers 9/04	Group D (G)	Hupé Family (W)	////////////////////

THANK YOU for all the generosity of your contributions to the Easter Offering.

CONFIRMATION GROUP -Resumes on **Sunday 17 April, (7pm)** when Summer Term will have commenced in all our local senior schools.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES -will begin again on **Tuesday 12th April at 4pm.**

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – St Pope John Paul II declared the Second Sunday of Easter to be a day of celebration of this devotion. The special chaplet and litany connected with this may be seen on **EWTV** channel (available to those of you receiving SKY programmes on your TV). This channel, broadcast from the USA shows Papal events from Rome and also films and discussion programmes on Catholic topics and current issues related to the faith.

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD – On Monday of this week we celebrate this great Feast. It is transferred from 25 March (which this year was Good Friday). It is very rare for these two important feasts to coincide, so much so that in times past it was considered a bad omen and presaged some disaster or public calamity. *“Let the land beware of a great mishap, when Our Lord falls into Our Lady’s lap”* proclaims an old English saying. We need not concern ourselves too much about such old sayings. There are plenty of other reasons to give us pause for thought. The Annunciation, coming so soon after Easter takes us back to the beginning of the story, whose end we continue to celebrate for some weeks. It reminds us that God fulfilled a promise made in the book Genesis and intervened directly in human affairs, using a specially chosen human person to achieve his purposes. To begin the work of our salvation He asked a young girl to be the mother of His divine Son. In truth, it can never be said that God is remote from human concerns. Mary is the guarantor of the full humanity of Jesus who in His body atoned for the sins of all of us, making it possible for every person who shares in His life and love through grace, to address Almighty God as “Father” and look forward to life eternal at the end of our earthly pilgrimage when we persevere and make progress in virtue and fidelity.

SERVICES AND MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Sun 3 April – SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sat 6.00pm – Parish

Sun 10.00am –

11.30am –

Mon 4 – THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

10.00am –

Tue 5 – feria (St Vincent Ferrer)

9.30am –

Wed 6 – feria

9.30am –

Thu 7 – St John Baptiste de la Salle

9.30am –

12.00 –

Hymns

645

470

473

384

Fri 8 – feria

9.00am *Holy Hour followed by Mass*

10.00am –

Sat 9 – feria

9.30am –

6.000pm – Parish

Sun 10 – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

10.00 –

11.30am –

Confessions – Saturdays, 10.30-11.00am and after 6pm Mass (OLSJ). Confession at Woodcote: 12.00-12.30, **3rd Saturday of the month.** Confession on call at other times.

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