



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

Goring - on - Thames & Woodcote

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PARISH BULLETIN: 03/09/2017. TWENTYSECOND ORDINARY SUNDAY (A). Ps Wk 2

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: 27/08/17 = £550. Many thanks to all who regularly support our two churches.

Sunday Mass times	6.00pm (Sat)	10.00am	11.30(Woodcote)
READERS 2 - 3 Sept	J O'Donohue	M & M Shinkwin	Hart Family
" 9-10 Sept	C & D Sexon	Macintosh Family	Mr & Mrs Sims
Cleaning/Flowers next w/e	Group C (Goring)	S Lewin/R Metcalf (Woodcote)	////////////////////
Counters (next 3 weeks)	4/09 - C Gregory	11/09 - W O'Connell	18/09 - S Jones

PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR: Ray Lynch, Helen Brown, Michael Browne, Mary Hoban, Paul & Liz Boughton.

OPEN MORNING - Oratory School (Woodcote) Sat., 16 Sept. Independent education in a Catholic boarding & day school. Scholarships available for primary school age boys. (See poster in porch for booking details).

RIDE & STRIDE for Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust- A weekend of visits on foot or bicycle to churches in the county takes place next weekend (9-10 Sept). Participants are sponsored and so raise much needed funds that are later distributed to help with building and other repair projects in county churches of every denomination. Both Goring & Woodcote churches will be open to receive and welcome visitors.



St Anne with the Blessed Virgin Mary

FEASTDAY THIS WEEK;
The Nativity of Our Lady occurs on Friday of this week. Of course we are unsure of the exact date on which Mary was born but a very old tradition from the Middle East links this date with the celebration. It was the custom in ancient times to acknowledge events of her life and intimate relationship to her divine Son by a yearly church festival. This would be a reminder to the faithful at a time when most people could neither read nor write and relied on such festivals to teach and guide them. In the story of Jesus as recorded in the Gospel, the role of Mary is central to understanding his human descent and connections. Thus, it followed logically that Mary's birth was seen as a beginning of the unfolding of God's plan. Her preservation from any taint of sin from her conception prepared her for her unique vocation as Mother of the Saviour of Mankind.

SEPTEMBER - This month sees the return to junior and senior school of the children of our parish. Some will be beginning and others at the stage of final year of their schooling with an eye to university, college studies or training for a career. School years are vital and unrepeatable. We should all pray for and assist our young people to reach their full potential, as much in faith as in ability.

SERVICES AND MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Sat 2 Sept
6.00pm - Woodward & Cafferty Families Int
Sun 3 - TWENTYSECOND ORDINARY SUNDAY
10.00am - Parish
11.30am - Louise & Sohail Int
Mon 4 - feria
10.00am -
Tue 5 - feria
9.30am -
Wed 6 - feria
9.30am -
Thu 7 - feria
9.30am -
12.00 - (Woodcote)

Sunday Hymns
567
398
563
605

Fri 8 Sept - **Birthday of Our Lady**
9.00am - *Holy hour followed by Mass at 10am*
Sat 9 - St Osberg-
6.00pm -
Sun 10 - TWENTYTHIRD ORDINARY SUNDAY
10.00am -
11.30am - Parish

Confessions - 11.00-11.30am and after 6.00pm Mass on Saturday. Confessions at Woodcote; 12.00-12.30pm on **3rd Saturday of each month**. Confession is also available at other times on request.

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