



*The Catholic Parish of Our Lady & St John, Goring-on-Thames  
& Christ the King, Woodcote*

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SUNDAY 28 MARCH 2021

MARCH	PALM SUNDAY	Goring (Latin)	8.00am Parish and people
Sunday 29	<i>(Sunday of the Passion II)</i>	Goring	10.00am John Burke (ill)
		Goring	11.30am Fr KM intention
		Goring	4.00pm <i>Penitential Holy Hour &amp; Confessions</i>
Monday 29	Monday in Holy Week ( <i>Fig Monday</i> )	Goring	7.30am Josie Martin RIP
Tuesday 30	Feria in Holy Week ( <i>Temple Tuesday</i> )	Goring	12.00pm <i>Midday Office &amp; Stations of the Cross</i>
		Goring	6.00pm Pauline & Christopher Jackson RIP
Wednesday 31	Feria in Holy Week ( <i>Spy Wednesday</i> )	Goring	9.30am Diocesan clergy
			6.00pm <i>Confessions</i>
APRIL	MAUNDY THURSDAY	Goring	8.00pm Mass of the Last Supper & Watch
Thursday 1			
Friday 2	GOOD FRIDAY	Goring	10.00am <i>Stations of the Cross</i>
		Woodcote (outside)	11.30am <i>Stations on the Cross</i>
		Goring	3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
		Goring	7.30pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
Saturday 3	HOLY SATURDAY	Goring	8.00pm VIGIL & FIRST MASS OF EASTER
Sunday 4	EASTER DAY	Goring (Latin)	7.00am A.M. & D.M. RIP
		Goring (English)	8.00am Parish and people
		Goring	10.00am Parish and people
		Woodcote (outside)	11.30am Parish and people
		Goring	6.00pm Faithful departed of our parish & families

The priests are always delighted to receive requests for Mass intentions. Please let us know about the ill and housebound. The church buildings are disinfected between Masses; other safety precautions laid down by the diocese are in place. Thank you for your generosity to the Catholic Church in so many ways. The Rosary is prayed 15 minutes before the daily Mass. Masses are on the Goring & Woodcote Catholic Parish page on Facebook and the Kenneth Macnab channel on YouTube.

**HOLY WEEK IS HERE**

This time last year we had just entered into lockdown and I had the unusual but strangely beautiful task of celebrating the liturgies of Holy Week in a school chapel on my own (in human terms.) This year we can come together if we are careful and follow the safety directions from the Bishops' Conference. This means we will have to forgo the processions, foot-washing and singing. However, it is so much better than last year.

**PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME AND, IF YOU WISH, A POSTER.**

As you can see, there are two Liturgies of the Passion on Good Friday and several Masses on Easter Day. **Good Friday at 3pm is almost full and 10am on Easter Day is full already.** Please think about this when planning your week.

**WOODCOTE REPAIRS**

Our weekly update ... The Archbishop very kindly emailed me late on Friday night to say that the question of Christ the King came to the Archbishop's Council meeting earlier that day. The diocesan property department has asked for legal advice concerning the details of the sale of the land in 1965 and any legal implications that may have in 2021. Things are happening behind the scenes even though we may not see them. As the saying goes, "Rome was not built in a day." Neither was our church in Woodcote! It took 7 years from the beginnings of the Mission to its consecration by Archbishop Dwyer. The really good news is that we will gather to worship God in the grounds of the church on Good Friday and Easter Day. Here's hoping for dry weather.

**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS**

... to Amelia Roberts whose birthday falls today. Many, many happy returns. Please keep the birthdays coming in. It would be fun to have a master list.

**FIRST H.C. GROUP**

We now have two weeks off and then we will gather for another couple of occasions in Eastertide. Details about the various Masses and celebrations will be posted very soon.

**CONFESSIONS TODAY**

Sadly Fr David cannot be with us as he had hoped to hear Confessions at 4pm today. There has been a sudden bereavement at one of the parishes in Reading and he has been asked to cover the Palm Sunday Masses there at short notice. Happily our own Fr Jacob will be with us and in the Confessional in the sacristy during Holy Hour, 4-5pm.

**THE VOTIVE LAMPS**

... burn during March for Ray Lynch, Peter Vilk, Kathy King, Keith Mitchell and James & Teresa McAllister and family. Please ask for April. There are three still available to be sponsored from Thursday.

**PLEASE PRAY ...**

... for Pauline and Christopher Kenway-Jackson who have died recently. Please let me know the dates of the anniversaries of departed friends and family. We can pray for them all.

... among the sick for William, Margaret, Jeanie, Rosemary, Betty, Dee, Elizabeth, Anne-Marie, Elizabeth, Kitty, Mary, John, Gill, Joan, Lavinia, Lyall, Tony, Patricia, Kevin, Mike, Dora, Br Harold, Tony, Grazyna, Thomas, Mary O'D, John. P.S. For your diary: 8 September at 7pm for something special.