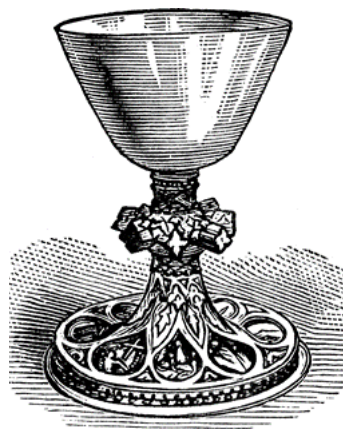


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SUNDAY 16 JANUARY 2022

SUNDAY II OF THE YEAR (*Epiphany II*)

Monday 17 St Antony of Egypt
Tuesday 18 Feria
Wednesday 19 ST WULSTAN
Thursday 20 St Sebastian
Friday 21 St Agnes
Saturday 22 St Vincent
Sunday 23 SUNDAY III OF THE YEAR

Goring (Latin)	8.00am Parish & people
Goring	10.00am Private intention (FrKM)
Woodcote	11.30am Private intention (FrJL)
Woodcote	4.00pm <i>Vespers & Benediction</i>
Goring	7.30am Rita Good (annniv.)
Goring	6.00pm The unity of Christians
Goring	9.30am Sheila English (birthday)
Woodcote	12.00pm Private intention
Goring	9.00am <i>Holy Hour</i>
Goring	10.00am Private intention
Woodcote	12.30pm <i>Baptisms</i>
Goring	5.00pm <i>Confessions</i>
Goring	6.00pm A parish family's intentions
Goring (Latin)	8.00am Parish & people
Goring	10.00am Private intention (FrJL)
Woodcote	11.30am The Hupé family
Goring	4.00pm <i>Hour of silent prayer for Unity</i>

The priests are always delighted to receive requests for Mass intentions. Please let us know about the ill, the housebound and those who need Christmas Sacraments at home. The Rosary is prayed 15 minutes before the daily Mass. Mass is streamed on the parish page on Facebook. Thank you for your generosity to the Catholic Church in so many ways, not least financial.

CONGRATULATIONS

Sheila English has a significant birthday this week. We congratulate her and send her our love and our prayers. She has been such a wonderful part of our parish since moving to Woodcote in 1968. Yesterday's Mass and party was such a happy event and I would like to thank everyone who contributed in any and every way from the Hoovering of the floor on Friday to the washing up detail on Saturday afternoon. Simon masterminded the event with lots of help from many friends. Thank you all.

"O FRABJIOUS DAY!
CALLOO! CALLAY!"

The oak flooring starts being laid tomorrow. Is this the last piece in the Galilee jigsaw?

MEETINGS

I promised last week to come up with a date to meet in the Galilee and look at the material from the diocese which helpfully is entitled *Walking Together*. "The Synodal Pathway" has a less snappy ring to it. Would Friday 4 February at 7pm work? There will be a cup of tea. The main thought is to share our reflections on how the lockdown months and years have made an impact for good or ill on our faith. There is much more besides which I will lay out next week drawing on the diocesan material. Perhaps you could let me know if this is either a good time for you or an impossible one. We are unlikely to find the perfect slot for everyone but this is, at least, a start.

ORGAN RECITAL

Friday 28 January at 7pm —organ recital by Graham Eccles, formerly of Bangor and St Asaph Cathedrals and the source of the organ console now at OLSJ. Graham will inaugurate its life with us, show us what it can do and will talk about the incredibly clever computer software on which the system is based. Tickets are now live on the Galilee website and Eventbrite. Graham has had a distinguished career in cathedral music and now does a lot of freelance work, not least for Radio 4's Daily Service.

For your diary: *Seeds of Love*—the British folk tradition in words & music. Friday 25 February at 7pm. Opus Anglicanum & Zeb Soanes.

CANDLEMAS

On the feast of Candlemas, 2 February, Canon Paul Fitzpatrick, our newly appointed Episcopal Vicar, will be with us to preach. I very much hope that this will coincide with the Galilee being complete which will give us a double reason for jollifications, always assuming it is safe so to do. **Mass will be celebrated by candle-light at 7pm.** We will have a bring-and-share supper in the Galilee afterwards.

CHRISTIAN UNITY
OCTAVE

The Octave of Prayer starts on Tuesday. Talking to my two colleagues in the village, Covid means a big service would not work. There will, however, be an hour of silent prayer here with reflections. 4-5pm. Do come.

PLEASE PRAY ...

... among the sick for William, Margaret, Jeanie, Rosemary, Anne-Marie, Elizabeth, Mary, John, Gill, Joan, Lavinia, Lyall, Tony, Patricia, Kevin, Dora, Grazyna, John, Linda, Patsy, Annabelle, John, Emily, Rose, Ivor, Ilene, Richard, Catherine, Patrick, Anne, Malcolm, Ida, Charlotte, Denis, Henry, Teresa, Peter, Paul, Rita, Charlie, Rachel.

... for those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries fall this week, among them Rita Good, John Francis Reid, Agnes Helen Bellasis, George Edward Sharps, Claire Howard-Allen.

THE VOTIVE LAMPS

... burn during the month of January for Keith Gregory and Kathy King. Two are available.

LOTS OF BAPTISMS

Next Saturday will see four at Christ the King from the same extended family. Please pray for Jennifer, Ruby, Ava and Grace.