

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



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SUNDAY I OF LENT

		Goring	Sat 6pm Jonathan Smith (anniv.)
		Goring (Latin)	8.00am Parish & people
		Goring	10.00am Private intention
		Woodcote	11.30am Private intention
Monday 7	Feria (Ss. Felicity & Perpetua)	Goring	7.30am Faithful departed (monthly Requiem)
Tuesday 8	Feria (St John of God)	Goring	6.00pm A parishioner's intentions (per SL)
Wednesday 9	Feria (St Frances of Rome)	Goring	9.30am Fr Pat Davies (anniv.)
		Woodcote	12.00pm <i>Stations of the Cross</i>
Thursday 10	Feria	Woodcote	12.00pm Rita Lonsdale RIP (AMH)
Friday 11	Feria	Goring	10.00am Private intention (Holy Hour from 9.00)
	CAFOD Family Fast Day	Goring	6.00pm <i>Stations of the Cross</i>
Saturday 12	Feria	Goring	5.00pm <i>Confessions</i>
		Goring	6.00pm Private intention
Sunday 13	LENT II	Goring (Latin)	8.00am Parish & people
		Goring	10.00am Private intention
		Woodcote	11.30am Private intention

The priests are always delighted to receive requests for Mass intentions. Please let us know about the ill, the housebound and those who need the 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.

PRAY FOR PEACE

Sadly the "madness of war" of which the Pope wrote in his plea for a day of fasting and prayer on Ash Wednesday has unfolded only too dreadfully over the last week. What can we do? A supply lorry is being organised by families at the Oxford Oratory (St Aloysius) and details are on their website. However, it may well be that cash is as good if not better. CAFOD is part of the DEC appeal at the moment. The baskets will be out after Mass today to contribute. I have also set up a section on the contactless machine. Thank you for your generosity.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS

- Stations will be prayed on Wednesdays at noon at Woodcote and Fridays at 6pm at Goring.
- CAFOD is holding not only the usual **Family Fast Day** on Friday but other initiatives. William will tell us more after the Masses this weekend.

GORING PARKING

A gentle reminder to remember our neighbours and yellow lines!

LENTEN STUDY

Our prayer should also include study, meditation and reflection. There will be a study group on **Tuesdays at 7pm**. There will be four sessions in the Galilee using material from the *Evangelium* programme from the CTS. These will focus on four of the great truths of our Faith which make us Christians: the Trinity, the Divinity of Christ, the Atonement and the Church as a Divine Society. We share much with other faiths and other thought systems. These four elements, however, are distinct to Christianity. HOWEVER ... this week we will have a one-off film night. Having preached about the film *Of Gods and Men* two weeks ago, several people have asked to see it. There will be a chance to reflect on its message and refreshments will be available. We will finish by 9.30.
- the 2022 First Holy Communion class will start. Timings tba.
- Fr Tom's Needs Box is back in operation. If you have clothes or dried food which we can give to the shelter or Q1, please use it.

REFRESHMENTS

Please stay if you can for a cup of coffee or tea and the opportunity to meet each other after the 10am Mass. Thank you to this morning's helpers.

THREE PILGRIMAGES

- to Walsingham. The diocesan pilgrimage has been reinstated after two years away for Saturday 14 May. Mass is at 1pm. Fr David Hartley has invited us to join his pilgrims from Thame who will be leaving at 8am. See FrK.
- to Lourdes with the diocese of Birmingham, 29 May to 3 June. Details from Fr Kenneth.
- to Oberammergau with Goring Fine Arts, 8 to 20 September. Details from Rosie Mortimer.

"WALKING TOGETHER"
Thank you to those who have added to the meeting with reflections on paper or via email. These are now being drawn together at a deanery level and then submitted to the diocese and then on to the Bishops' Conference is due on 8 April. As soon as our parish summary is finished I will make it available through the website.

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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, Ilene, Richard, Catherine, Patrick, Anne, Malcolm, Ida, Charlotte, Denis, Henry, Teresa, Peter, Paul, Charlie, Jemima, Eddie, Barry, George, Fr Patrick. *Please keep us updated.*

... for those who have died recently, among them Brian Enright, Rita Lonsdale, Rebecca Morris, Wendy Fretwell; and for Ward Dobree Saurmarez Carete, Margaret Agnes Bayliffe, Elizabeth Sharps, Joshua Bottoms and George Joseph Grove with anniversaries this week.

THE VOTIVE LAMPS

... burn during March for the Brown family, for Peter Vlk and for Edward, Margaret and Jonathan Beckett, Please ask.

CUDDLILY TOYS

If your little one gets restive, there are some soft friends in the Galilee who may be of help!