



*Holy Michael, archangel, defend us
in the day of battle
(Epstein—Coventry Cathedral)*

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

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SUNDAY XXV OF THE YEAR

PENTECOST XVII

Monday 25	Feria	Goring	Sat 6.00pm	Lily & Stephen Dempsey (1st wedding ann)
Tuesday 26	Ss. Cosmas and Damian	Goring	8.00am	Parish & people
Wednesday 27	St Vincent de Paul	Goring	10.00am	Jessica & Christopher Bone (marriage)
Thursday 28	St Wenceslaus	Woodcote	11.30am	Kathleen O'Connell (anniv.)
Friday 29	SS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL	Mapledurham	6.00pm	Eyston family intentions
Saturday 30	St Jerome	Goring	7.30am	Mickey Godfrey RIP
Sunday 1 October	SUNDAY XXVI OF THE YEAR PENTECOST XVIII	Goring	6.00pm	Ron Laker RIP
		Goring	9.30am	Terry McCormack RIP (funeral day)
		Woodcote	12.00pm	Theresa Mills (anniv.)
		Goring	10.00am	Paul Lynch (anniv.)
		Goring	3.00pm	<i>Holy Hour for peace</i>
		Goring	5.00pm	<i>Confessions</i>
		Goring	6.00pm	Lucy Tyler RIP
		Goring (Latin)	8.00am	Parish & people
		Goring	10.00am	Benedict Ward's intentions
		Woodcote	11.30am	James Thomas Anthony O'Beirne (thanks.)

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.

<p>PARISH GARDEN PARTY CANCELLED, BUT ...</p> <p>I hope those of you on the mailing list saw the email earlier in the week cancelling our Garden Party which was to have been this afternoon. So much rain has fallen this week that things are soggy underfoot and the forecast is gloomy. I am sure this is wise. HOWEVER, Phil and Graham suggested making more of the après-Mass coffee session. This morning our usual biscuits will be supplemented with yummy cake—all in aid of FR HUDSON'S CARE, our own diocesan social care charity, for which there is a second collection. Please stay if you can. It won't spoil your appetite for lunch and even if it does it is in a very good cause. There are copies of the recent annual report for our diocesan charity available at both churches.</p>	<p>CHRIST THE KING BIG 6</p> <p>The brass candlesticks at Woodcote have not been stolen. They gone away to Farris's works to be fitted up with stocks in an attempt to solve the candle meltdown problem and the inevitable mess which has been a problem for a while. I strongly suspect it is the draughts causing havoc. They will be back in due time.</p> <p>"TALKING PHILOSOPHY"</p> <p>The Carmelites at Boars Hill just outside Oxford have been running an online theology and philosophy course on Thursday afternoons via Zoom with recommended reading to go with it. The cost is minimal and the input is really impressive. If you would like further information please contact Sue Pacey on sue.pacey1@btinternet.com</p> <p>CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY</p> <p>... is coming up: Friday 6 Oct.</p>	<p>PLEASE PRAY ...</p> <p>... for Jessica and Christopher who were married yesterday in a very happy celebration in Goring. I hope that you, like me, enjoy walking through confetti on your way to Sunday Mass—evidence of much joy.</p> <p>... for the souls of the faithful departed: Graham Johnstone, Ron Laker, Theresa Bicknell, Joan Newbury, Tony Tinkel, Fr Paul Chavasse, John Morris, Mickey Godfrey, Terry McCormack, Margaret McMenemy, Ann, Tim, Susannah, Anzelika, Lucy Tyler; Clare Pearson, Theresa Mills, Albert George Mar-mara, Gladys Madeline Agnew Hickey, Paul Lynch, Malcolm Stevenson, Peter Tyler, Steven Bradley.</p>	<p>PLEASE PRAY ...</p> <p>... among the sick for William, Margaret, Jeanie, Anne-Marie, Elizabeth, Mary, John, Gill, Joan, Lavinia, Lyall, Kevin, John, Patsy, Annabelle, John, Emily, Rose, Ilene, Catherine, Patrick, Anne, Charlotte, Denis, Teresa, Peter, Paul, Jemima, Barry, Oliver, Cordelia, Peter, Monica, Eva Maria, Tom, Charlie, Sophie, Paul, Jacob, Justin, Victoria, Maureen, Eva, Bob, Gail, Tony, Francis, Claire, Bill, Lucy, Linda, David and Lindsey, Heather, Gail, Sr Ma-ria Goretti, Pat, Mrs E & 12 others.</p>
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HARVEST SUPPER

Saturday 14 October, 7.30pm in the Galilee, price £15. Bring a pudding or a savoury. Last year's supper proved that we can seat 24 in comfort. We will extend the numbers if needed. Sign-up lists are available this morning.

Readers at Mass: 6pm Maureen Lewis; 10am the MacIntosh family; 11.30am the Mayer family

The parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocesan policies & procedures at all times. Our Safeguarding Representative is Lucy Bonnett who may be contacted at sg.ol.stjohnonthames@rcaob.org.uk or on a dedicated number 07598 127936. Alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team may be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.