

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

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SUNDAY IV OF LENT (*Laetare Sunday*)

Monday 11	Feria	Goring	Sat 6.00pm	Francis O'Goman (ill)
Tuesday 12	Feria	Goring (Latin)	8.00am	Parish & people
Wednesday 13	Feria	Goring	10.00am	Jean Barrett (anniv.)
Thursday 14	Feria	Woodcote	11.30am	Alan Griffiths (1st anniv)
Friday 15	Feria	Goring	8.30am	George Horeaux RIP
Saturday 16	Saturday in Lent	Goring	6.00pm	John Radice (ill)
Sunday 17	PASSION SUNDAY I (LENT V)	Goring	9.30am	Robert Lo RIP
		Woodcote	12.00pm	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
		Woodcote	12.00pm	Michael Hasslacher RIP
		Goring	9.00am	<i>Holy Hour</i>
		Goring	10.00am	Fr Bryan Parry RIP
		Goring	6.00pm	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
		Goring	6.00pm	Gary Austin RIP
		Goring (Latin)	8.00am	Parish & people
		Goring	10.00am	Dodo Peat (anniv.)
		Woodcote	11.30am	Ann Callison RIP

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 The Parish Priest tries to take Tuesday as a Quiet Day. Thank you for your generosity to the Catholic Church in so many ways, not least financial.

MOTHERING SUNDAY
To mark Laetare Sunday, Mid-Lent Sunday, Refreshment Sunday or Mothering Sunday we will have Coffee and Cake after the 10am Mass in the Galilee. A kind friend is bringing a simnel cake—traditional for today—and I know that some of our younger parishioners have done some baking. Please sat if you possibly can to mark the day in this little way and to meet your fellow parishioners. At Christ the King we will have a social occasion when the weather warms up. Thanks to parishioners who have offered a garden.

MOTHERHOOD
... is one of the themes of Mass today. We pray for our earthly mothers, whether in this world or the next, and ask for the prayers of Mary, mother of us all.

READERS AT MASS
6pm: Chris Saxon; 10am: the MacIntosh family; 11.30am: the Mayer family.

ST CHAD'S CATHEDRAL MAINTENANCE
There is the annual second collection at the main Masses today for the upkeep of the mother church of our diocese. Being the second most southerly parish in a huge diocese, it sometimes seems that the cathedral, not to mention the northerly parishes in Staffordshire, is remote from us. It is, of course, our mother church, and in its own right a wonderful building and important part of the story of Catholicism in our country. Thank you for your generosity.

CAR PARKING
Please take care, particularly at Goring. Remember that we have "Church grounds" rather than a "car park" in Ferry Lane. If you can easily walk from the village, that would be a kindness. Modern cars are getting bigger all the time. It was sad to see tyre marks amid the bulbs not so long ago.

SYCAMORE
... the third instalment of this new formation course will take place on Wednesday at 7pm in the Galilee. The films are available online at www.sycamore.fm/videos/ with all sorts of other resources. The third film is called "A God who speaks."

VOTIVE LIGHTS
... burn for the Brown family and for a member of one of our parish families. Others are available.

THOUGHTS FROM A FUNERAL
As some of you know, I went to the funeral of a friend in an Anglican cathedral last Monday. Two things struck me: the fact that the congregation was largely there with some time to spare and was prayerfully silent in the ten minutes before the service began. Sometimes it is good to remind ourselves of these things. We are so lucky here to have a long tradition of praying the Rosary before Mass. Please join in!

PLEASE PRAY
... among the sick for Margaret, Jeanie, Anne-Marie, Elizabeth, Mary, John, Gill, Joan, Lavinia, Kevin, John, Patsy, Annabelle, John, Emily, Rose, Ilene, Catherine, Patrick, Anne, Charlotte, 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, Ann, Tim, Susannah, Anzelika, Bill, Lucy, Linda, David and Lindsey, Gail, Sr Maria Goretti, Pat, Emma, Paul, Deborah, Christine, Mark, baby Kerry, Leon, Charlie, Catherine and 8 others.
... for the souls of Conty Brown, Robert Lo, Michael Hasslacher, Karen Moore and Ann Callison who have died recently and for Alan Griffiths, George Grove, Jean Barrett and Veronica Marsh.
... for Sophie, Fergus, Rafe, Conrad and Elliott preparing for First Holy Communion.

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