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SUNDAY MASS TIMES -	6.00pm (Sat)	10.00am	11.30am (Woodcote)
READERS 28-29 Nov	B.Barrett	Bermingham Family	?
" 5-6 Dec	R & P. Knollys	R Mortimer/P Seymour	?
CLEANING/FLOWERS	S Allen (W/cote)- 5 Dec	Group A (G) – 5 Dec	///////////////////////////////////////
COUNTERS (Next 3 weeks)	D. Godley – 30 Nov	J. Vilk – 7 Dec	S. Jones – 14 Dec

OFFERTORY COLLECTION 22.11.15 £410.96p (Envs & Cash). Many thanks to contributors & the counters.

POCKET PARISH DIARIES for 2016 are available free of charge. Please take one from the box.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK – St Andrew- One of the first of the inner core of Christ's Disciples and brother of Simon Peter. Tradition tells us that he preached in Greece and was martyred at Patras. He is the principal Patron Saints of Scotland, Russia and Greece. St Francis Xavier (1506-52). Early associate of St Ignatius whom he helped to found the Jesuit Order. He became a Missionary in Malaysia, Sri Lanka, Japan and India, where he died. He is buried in Goa and his shrine attracts many thousands of pilgrims in a Catholic region of India.

THE ADVENT WREATH – A symbol of eternity (the circular evergreen), light (the candles) and expectation (the weekly lighting of each additional candle).

CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE COLLECTION – Last weekend, amounted to £111.45p.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES CARD – is now available on the table in church. Please take one for your household so that you and all your family may be fully aware of our seasonal timetable.

Dee Thomas from **AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED** will be speaking at all Masses on 28 & 29 November. There will be an opportunity to purchase Christmas cards, books and religious artefacts. More information may be found on the website www.acnuk.org.

CONDOLENCES to his nieces and their families on the death of **Fr John Formby RIP**, (the Grange), who died on Wednesday of last week. His funeral will take place at St Margaret's, Twickenham, 12 noon, 16 Dec. A Requiem Mass will be offered at Our Lady & St John, at a date to be confirmed. We also extend our condolences to the son, daughter-in-law and grandchildren of **Betty Anne Henderson RIP**, of Beech Rd, Woodcote, who died on Monday; funeral private, family only. There will be a Requiem Mass for the repose of her soul at Christ the King, on a later date.

WISDOM OF THE SAINTS - Prayer

Our chiefest labour in prayer must be to inflame and set our hearts on fire, with this fervency of charity, and then as it were, to spin out our prayer, so long until we have attained this end. But when through weariness of our frail body we find this heat and fervour in us to grow cold, then must we desist and pray no longer, but presently apply ourselves to some other works of virtue. St John Fisher, Bishop and Martyr (1469-1535)

11.30am -

Sun 29 - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (ACN Appeal) Sat 6.00pm - Parish Int Sun 10.00am - NDL 11.30am - NDL Mon 30- St Andrew (Patron of Scotland, Greece & Russia) 10.00am - Liz Cleveland Int Tue 1 Dec. - feria **HYMNS** 9.30am -129 Wed 2 - feria 478 9.30am -293 Thu 3 - St Francis Xavier 288 9.30am-12.00 -

Fri 4 - feria
9.00am - Holy Hour & Benediction
10.00am - NDL
11.30am - Baptism of Ava Hawkins (OL&SJ)
Sat - 5 - feria
9.30am 12.15 -Marriage of Elly Hupé & Mark Brown (in Christ the King church))
Sun 6- Second Sunday of Advent
6.30pm (Sat) - Parish Int
10.0am -

Confession – Saturdays: 10.30–11.00am and after 6pm Mass (Goring). <u>Confession at Woodcote:</u> 12-12.30pm, **3rd Saturday of the month.** At other times on call at Goring.