

The Parish of Our Lady & St John & Christ the King

Goring - on - Thames & Woodcote

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PARISH NEWSLETTER: 18/02/2018. FIST SUNDAY IN LENT - (B) Psalter Wk 1

OFFERTORY COLLECTION 11/02/18 (Envs & cash) = £549. 00p Thank you to all who support our two churches.			
Sunday Mass times	6.00pm (Sat)	10.00am	11.30(Woodcote)
Readers: 17-18 Feb	C & D Sexon	D Browne/K Harding	Hart Family
Readers: 24-25 Feb	K Walker	J & M Shinkwin	Mayer Family
Cleaning/Flowers next w/e	Group B (Goring)		///////////////////////////////////////
Counters (next 3 weeks)	19/02 - W O'Connell	26 /02 – J Vilk	4/03 - C Quinton

HOUSE MASSES IN LENT

Wed 21 Feb. - Kentner Family Wed 28 Feb. - Heath Family Wed 7 Mar. - Mayer Family Wed 14 Mar. - Shinkwin Family Wed 21 Mar. - Nathanielsz Family. Mon 19 Mar. - Preston Family -Mass with Anointing of the Sick. The Mass will begin at 7.30pm. Each host family may invite as many as will comfortably fit in the room provided for the Mass. The Mass on 19th March will take place at 12.00pm to allow some elderly parishioners to attend in daylight.

OPEN MORNING AT THE ORATORY PREP SCHOOL, Goring Heath RG8 7SF - Sat 24th Feb. A Catholic Independent school within the parish boundaries; full-time Chaplain resident close by and an excellent teaching staff. From nursery to age 13, for boys & girls. Email office@oratoryprep.co.org.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK - Mario Troiani, Irene Florence Caldon.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY is on Fri. 23rd Feb. Envelopes with donations raised may be handed in at any time during Lent.

THE TEMPATIONS OF CHRIST

Matthew and Luke recount three temptations of Jesus that reflect the inner struggle over his own particular mission and, at the same time, address the question as to what truly matters in life. At the heart of all temptations, as we see here, is the act of pushing God aside because we perceive him as secondary, if not actually superfluous and annoying. in comparison with all the apparently far more urgent matters that fill our lives. Constructing a world by our own lights, without reference to God. building on our own foundations: refusing to acknowledge the reality of anything beyond the political and material, while setting God aside as an illusion- that is the temptation that threatens us in many varied forms. Moral posturing is part and parcel of temptation. It does not invite us directly to do evil...it pretends to show us a better way. Benedict XVI - Pope Emeritus.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

During Lent most saints' days are only commemorated at Mass with the Collect (First Prayer). The other prayers at the Mass are of the Lenten feria.

Peter Damian- (1007-72) Bishop of Ravenna in N Italy, a cardinal and great theologian of his time.

Chair of St Peter - A major feast and so has its own prayers and readings for the day. It harks back to the ancient Primacy of the Holy See above all others.

Polycarp - (69-155) A convert of St John the Evangelist. He went on to be Bishop of Smyrna (modern Izmir in Turkey). Martyred at the age of 86.

PRAYERS FOR - Patricia Bursey, Anne-Marie Hupé, Rosemary Allun, Rachel Perry, Miriam Pereira, Ray & Margaret Lynch, Lucia Leeson, Mary Hoban, Betty Browne, Jenny Logan.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

An invitation, to join in at 6pm on each Friday in Lent to walk and pray the Stations. For variety, each week a different set of meditations will be used.

SERVICES AND MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Sat 17 – 12 noon – Confessions at Woodcote

6pm-Parish

SUNDAY Sun 18 - FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT **HYMNS**

10.00am -

11.30am -

Mon 19- feria

10.00am -

Tue 20 - feria 9.30am -

Wed 21 - feria (St Peter Damian)

9.30am -

7.30pm - House Mass - Kentner household

Thu 22 - Chair of St Peter

9.30am -

12.00-

Fri 23 feria (St Polycarp)

9.00am -Holy Hour & Benediction followed by Mass at 10am

6.00pm – Stations of the Cross

Sat 24 - feria

6.00pm - Parish

Sun 18 - SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

10.00am -

11.30am -

Confession available at Goring on Saturday from 11.00-11.30am and after the 6pm Mass. Confession available at Woodcote on 3rd Saturday of the month. Also available at other times on request.

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