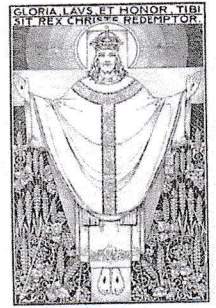




The Parish of Our Lady & St John & Christ the King

Goring - on - Thames & Woodcote

Parish Priest: Mgr. Antony Conlon PhD HEL



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PARISH NEWSLETTER: 20/01/19. SECOND ORDINARY SUNDAY Psalter Wk 2

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: 13/01/19 = £ 449.40p (Cash & envelopes) Thank you to all who contribute by DD & SO as well as envelopes & cash

Readers : 19-20 Jan	J O'Donohue	Children	Hart Family
" 26- 27 Jan	M Wilkinson	Wheatley Family	R & A Sims
Cleaning/Flowers next w/e	Group E (Goring)	T Mills (Woodcote)	////////////////////
Counters (next 3 weekends)	21/01 - S Jones	28/01- J Vilks	4/02 - D Godley

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

From 18th -25th we acknowledge the divisions that separate Christians but also remember what we have in common. The followers of Jesus are persecuted not because they are bad people but because they represent a threat to tyranny and evil ideology. Our divisions are a comfort to those who despise our faith. So it is essential to pray for unity. It would be pointless to pretend that there is little that a few tweaks here and there could not put right. The reality is more complex and deep-seated. Fervent and devout Christians on all sides of the divide hold firm principles and often measure what they believe as the truth in opposition to what they believe is false in the practice or teaching of others. The origin of division too is often political and rooted in state control and self-interest. What we pray for is not compromise and complacency but a genuine coming together that is based on a common tradition of faith embracing unbroken links with the Apostolic Church. As things look that is probably a long way off. But we don't just depend on human negotiation to gain the prize of unity. We must ask the Lord in His good time to heal the wounds that human folly, sin and pride have inflicted on the Church of Christ over the centuries.

MESSAGE FROM MARRIAGE CARE READING CENTRE:

Marriage Care is a faith-based organisation that draws on its Catholic tradition and contemporary research, to help couples both in good times and bad. Most relationships face difficulties at some point. Talking to a counsellor can help. Our local centre in Reading offers relationship counselling with fully-trained counsellors. For further information please call 0800 389380. If you are a trained counsellor, could you volunteer with Marriage Care? More counsellors are need - expenses and supervision are provided. For further information please contact Sue Cooper at reading.admin@marriagecare.org.

ANNIVERSARIES -

Christine Lester, Ann Vyvyan, Madge de Freitas, Thomas Churchman, Richard Nicholas, Denis de Freitas, Michael Connolly, Marie Carroll,

Requiescant in pace

**SERVICE OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN
UNITY:** Goring Free Church at 6.30pm
on Sunday 20th January.
The Preacher is Nigel Gordon Potts.
All are welcome.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Lessons for
children continue each Tuesday at 4.15pm.**

As of this week (except on Thursdays which are Holydays of Obligation) the 12 noon Mass at Woodcote will be the only Mass celebrated on Thursday.

SERVICES AND MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Sat 19 - St Wulstan
8.00pm - Parish
Sun 20 - SECOND ORDINARY SUNDAY
10.00am -
11.30-
Mon 21 - St Agnes
10.00am -
Tue 22- St Vincent
9.30am -
Wed 23 - feria
9.30am -
Thu 24- St Francis de Sales
12.00 - (Woodcote)
Fri 25 - Conversion of St Paul
9.00am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
followed by Benediction & Mass
10.00 -
Sat 26- SS Timothy & Titus
6.00pm - Parish
Sunday 20 - THIRD ORDINARY SUNDAY
10.00am -
11.30am- (Woodcote)

**SUNDAY
HYMNS**
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Confession available 11.00am Sat & after
6pm Mass. At Woodcote: 12pm on 3rd Sat of
the month.

PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR -Patricia Bursey,
Rosemary Allen, Ray & Margaret Lynch, Conti
Browne, Betty Browne, Elizabeth Leaver,
Anne-Marie Hupé, Elizabeth Linley, Dora Nash
& Kitty Holliday and Mary Hoban.

KATE WARD RIP - Funeral Mass for
Kate is scheduled to take place at
OL&SJ on Monday 28th January at
12noon. She had been a faithful
member of this parish since 1957.

The parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity no 234216

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