

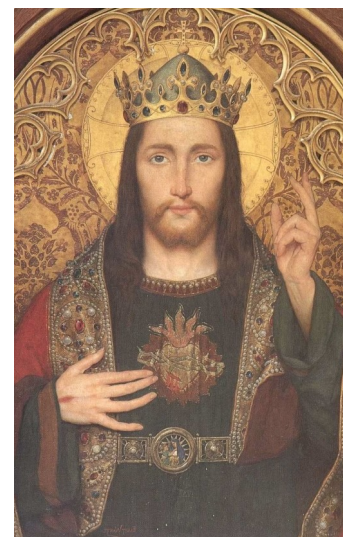


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MASS THIS WEEK

NOVEMBER	CHRIST THE KING		8.30am	<i>MASS & BENEDICTION</i>
Sunday 22	(Sunday next before Advent)	Woodcote		Parish and people
Monday 23	St Columbanus	Goring	8.30am	Michael O'Connell RIP (anniv.)
Tuesday 24	Ss. Andrew Dung-Lac & comps	Goring	8.30am	Tony Tinkel (hospital)
Wednesday 25	St Catherine of Alexandria	Goring	8.30am	Lavinia Roberts (hospital)
Thursday 26	Feria	Woodcote	8.30am	Faithful departed
Friday 27	Feria	Goring	8.30am	Faithful departed
Saturday 28	Our Lady on Saturday	Goring (Latin)	8.30am	Faithful departed
Sunday 29	ADVENT I	Goring	8.30am	Parish and people

The priests are always delighted to receive requests for Mass intentions. Please let them know about the ill and housebound. During these weeks of lockdown, very sadly we are prevented from gathering for acts of public worship. However, the daily Mass will carry on as the beating heart of the parish, without a congregation, at 8.30am each day. It will also be available on a new parish Facebook page and the Parish Priest's YouTube channel. Please see the parish website for details and links.

OUR CHURCHES WILL STILL BE OPEN EACH DAY FOR INDIVIDUAL PRAYER

SUNDAY: 10.00am-11.00am at Goring 11.30am-12.30pm at Woodcote
MON—SAT: 9.00am-10.00am at Goring 11.30am-12.30pm at Woodcote 5.30pm-6.30pm at Goring

If you are able to spend part of an hour with Jesus please look in for as long or as short a time as possible.

**ADVENT IS ALMOST
HERE**

Another Year of Grace is almost complete and next week marks the start of a new liturgical year. Next Sunday our churches will be dressed in violet and the Advent liturgy will be upon us once more, surely one of the most beautiful liturgical seasons of all. At the time of writing we do not know whether or to what extent the second lockdown and the prohibition of public worship will be lifted. We live in hope, however, that next Sunday will be the last under the current restrictions. There is due to be a statement from the Government tomorrow.

WALK WITH ME

We have a good supply of these devotional guides for Advent and some Advent calendars for younger friends. Please collect one from church or email me. I can drop one through your letter box.

PRAYERS PLEASE ...

... among the sick for William, Margaret, Jeanie, Rosemary, Betty, Dee, Elizabeth, Anne-Marie, Elizabeth, Kitty, Mary, John, Gill, Joan, Chris, Lavinia, Lyall, Tony, Patricia.

... for the Holy Souls. It is not too late to submit more names to be remembered at Mass during these last few days of November.

... for Archbishop Longley and for his fellow bishops who have asked for our prayers as they study the IICSA report which was published last week. The easiest place to find their initial statement is on the diocesan website. His Grace sent this message to his parishes this week: I want to assure you of my gratitude for all that you do in your ministry to care with generosity and devotion to the needs of others in the name of Our Lord. Thank you for your prayers for all those who have suffered abuse, within and beyond the Church, as well as for ... the bishops during the last few days.

WORK AT GORING

With the external roof complete, things are happening under its protection. Last week the water supply was connected. The combination of heavy rain and clay dug out of the trenches made for an awful mess. Apologies to anyone who suffered from the mud.

WORK AT WOODCOTE

The painting of the church, outside and in, has continued apace. I hope that it looks smart.

CYBERSPACE

To find our on-line worship please look for the **Kenneth Macnab** YouTube channel or the **Goring and Woodcote Catholic Parish** page on Facebook.