



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

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## 14 JANUARY 2024 SUNDAY II OF THE YEAR

*Behold the Lamb of God*

Monday 15	Feria
Tuesday 16	Feria
Wednesday 17	St Antony of Egypt
Thursday 18	Feria
Friday 19	ST WULSTAN
Saturday 20	St Fabian
Sunday 21	III SUNDAY OF THE YEAR ( <i>Epiphany III</i> )

Goring	Sat 6.00pm	Parish & people <i>NO SUNDAY MASS AT GORING</i>
Woodcote	11.30am	Rita Good (anniv.) <i>No Mass today</i>
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Woodcote	12.00pm	A parishioner's intentions (hospital)
Goring	9.00am	<i>Holy Hour for peace</i>
Goring	10.00am	Private intention
Goring	6.00pm	Private intention
Goring	8.00am	Parish & people
Goring	10.00am	Private intention
Woodcote	11.30am	Rita Lonsdale (anniv.)

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. Thank you for your generosity to the Catholic Church in so many ways, not least financial.

### HUGE THANKS ...

### REQUIEM MASSES

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... to Fr David Rocks OP from the Oratory School who will provide us with parish Masses this week while Fr Kenneth is on his post-Christmas break from parish duties. This is doubly kind as Fr David has the first school Sunday Mass of term that morning too. As I have said for the last few weeks, sadly **THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY MASS AT GORING** although a Mass of Sunday will be offered at OLSJ on Saturday at 6pm. You will also be most welcome at Pangbourne at 9.45, Sonning Common at 10.30 or Dorchester at 11am and, indeed, at any other neighbouring church. Normal timings will resume next Thursday. If you need a priest in an emergency please contact Fr John Osman at St Birinus on 01865 340417. Please note that the presbytery will be occupied throughout the week.

The Requiem Mass for William O'Connell will be celebrated on Friday 2 February at 11am at Christ the King. We will bring William into church on Thursday afternoon, probably at 4pm. There will be separate Masses for Candlemas earlier that day at Goring and that evening at Woodcote. I will let you know details of Doreen Godley's funeral as soon as they have been arranged. May they both rest in peace.

### ULTRA-LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

... are available at both churches. Please ask if this would be of help to you.

### THE NEEDS BOX

... has had a number of very generous donations recently, all of which go to a very good home at Cirdic—the churches on Reading drop-in centre. Thank you so much for your kindness.

... for the souls of Doreen Godley, William O'Connell, Mary Barry, Diana Kemp, Diana Coley, Heather Vockings, Sheila English and Brook Ward who have died recently and for Margaret Holder, Madge De Freitas, Rita Dolores Lonsdale, John Francis Reid, Agnes Helen Bellas (annivs.)

### READERS AT MASS

6pm: John O'Donohue;  
11.30am: tbc.

### THE CRIB COLLECTION

... will be divided this year between *Friends of the Holy Land* supporting our brothers and sisters in Gaza and *Let the Children Live* helping street children in Colombia. **Thank you for your kindness and enormous generosity already.** You have given £800 thus far. Is there any chance we can reach £1,000 by Candlemas? It would be nice to send each charity a round £500.

... 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, Conty, Emma, Paul, Deborah, Christine, Mark, baby Kerry, Leon, Charlie & 12 more.

### VOTIVE LIGHTS

... burn during January for the Brown family and Keith Gregory. Two are still available if you wish to dedicate one for a person or an intention. The suggested donation is £20 which provides four weekly lamps at the shrines and before the tabernacles.

**TUESDAY MASSES.** The next Tuesday evening Mass will be on Shrove Tuesday, 13 February, which is 4 weeks away. I am away from the parish for two of those Tuesdays and at meetings in London on the other two (on which days Mass will be in the morning.) I will try to be more disciplined about taking Tuesday as a Quiet Day in 2024 than 2023. It is probably good for the parish as well as for the priest!

*The parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocesan policies & procedures at all times. Our Safeguarding Representative is Lucy Bonnett who may be contacted at sg.ol.stjohnngothames@rcaob.org.uk. Alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team may be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.*