



*St John Bosco pray for us*

Monday 27 Bl. Edward Oldcorne

Tuesday 28 St Thomas Aquinas

Wednesday 29 Feria

Thursday 30 Feria

Friday 31 St John Bosco

Saturday 1 Feb Our Lady on Saturday

Sunday 2 PRESENTATION OF THE LORD  
(Candlemas)

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

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SUNDAY III OF THE YEAR (*Epiphany III*)

Goring	Sat 6.00pm	Unity of Christians
Goring (Latin)	8.00am	Parish & people
Goring	10.00am	Faithful departed (WO'C)
Woodcote	11.30am	Kathy King (anniv.)
Goring	8.00am	Peter Savage (anniv.)
Goring	6.00pm	Fr Giles Goward (anniv.)
Goring	9.30am	Keith Gregory (anniv.)
Woodcote	12.00pm	Farnborough Abbey
Goring	9.00am	<i>Holy Hour</i>
Goring	10.00am	Private intention
Woodcote	5.00pm	<i>Confessions</i>
Goring	6.00pm	Walsingham
Goring (Latin)	8.00am	Parish & people
Goring	10.00am	Private intention
Woodcote	11.30am	Private intention

The parish is 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. The Parish Priest tries to take Tuesday apart from Mass as a quiet day. Thank you for your generosity to the Catholic Church in so many ways, not least financial. Our Masses are streamed when possible on the *Goring and Woodcote Catholic Parish* page on Facebook.

**BACK TO NORMAL**

Thank you for your understanding last week when I was away on my post-Christmas break. I am grateful as always to Fr John Osman for being available in an emergency. He tells me that all was quiet on the Goring and Woodcote front. Being in Scotland and Northumberland for the storm was interesting!

**NEXT SUNDAY**

Being Candlemas—one of relatively few feast days which the present calendar keeps when they fall on a Sunday—we will have the usual blessing of candles and processions at the two sung Masses. It is always a wonderful occasion.

After the 10am Mass we will have one of our Coffee-and-Cake sessions. If you can bake something to bring and share, that would be wonderful. Do have a word with Phil and Graham Sadler if you have any questions. We will have another one on Lent IV (Mothering Sunday) when our younger parishioners can have a go at cooking something.

**PILGRIMS OF HOPE**

This Jubilee Year is focussed on the idea of pilgrimage. We have had a number of good suggestions and will try to arrange some or all of these ...  
Spring: Saturday morning walking pilgrimage to Our Lady of Caversham

10 May: Saturday pilgrimage to Walsingham with the diocese  
24-30 May: diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes

summer: parish trip to Harvington  
October: possibly, just possibly, a trip to Rome???

**CRIB COLLECTION**

This will be divided between the drop-in centre in Reading and the church's emergency work in the Holy Land. Thank you all.

**HAVING A PARTY?**

The Galilee kitchen is equipped with lots of restaurant glass, china, cutlery, table linen and other things. If it would ever help to borrow them, please do not hesitate to ask. It is good to see them used. No charge (but a donation is never unwelcome)

**READERS AT MASS**

6pm: Graham Sadler; 10am: Emma and David Bermingham; 11.30: Sharon and Richard Hart.

**VOTIVE LIGHTS**

These burn during January for the Brown family at Woodcote and for the Pacey family and Keith Gregory at Goring. Would you like to dedicate one in February to someone or some intention?

**FIRST AID & OTHER THINGS**

These may be found at the back of the church at Woodcote and in the Galilee kitchen at Goring. There are bio-hazard cleaning boxes as well. At Goring there is a defibrillator in the kitchen in the green box on the wall. OLSJ has baby-changing facilities..

**ULTRA LOW GLUTEN HOSTS**

These are available at both churches and in the chapel at the Prep School. Please ask if you need one.

**THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED** Please pray for Dolly Fitzpatrick, Clive Bosley, Fr David Barnes and Johan Brun who have died recently and also for Kathleen Mary King, Peter Savage, Fr Giles Goward, Keith Gregory, Mrs Lewis, Christine Lester, Thomas Churchman, Richard Nicholas, Denis De Freitas, Michael Connelly, Marie Carroll, Mavis Marsh (anniversaries this week.)

**PLEASE PRAY**

... 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, Claire, Ann, Tim, Susannah, Anzelika, Bill, Linda, David and Lindsey, Gail, Sr Maria Goretti, Pat, Emma, Paul, Deborah, Christine, Mark, Leon, Charlie, Catherine, Colin, Patricia, Gary, Keith, John, Alice, Philippa, Fr Bruce, Tamsin, Miriam, Adam, David, Rose, Rosie, Jake, for 10 others & for SG's friends;  
*We are reviewing this list. There is no limit to length of time but information is always good to have.*

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