



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

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LENT II

Monday 17	ST PATRICK	Goring	Sat 6.00pm	James Fitzpatrick	<i>Confessions from 5pm</i>
Tuesday 18	Feria (St Cyril of Jerusalem)	Goring (Latin)	8.00am	Parish & people	
Wednesday 19	ST JOSEPH	Goring	10.00am	Roxane Elmy (birthday)	
Thursday 20	Feria	Woodcote	11.30am	Ignatius Pereira RIP	
Friday 21	Feria	Goring	8.00am	DJ and family (ill)	
Saturday 22	Saturday in Lent	Goring	6.00pm	Tony Jones (anniv.)	
Sunday 23	LENT III	Goring	9.30am	Peter Jenks (hospital)	
		Woodcote	12.00pm	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>	
		Goring	12.00pm	Henderson family thanksgivings	
		Goring	10.00am	Sr Assumpta RIP	<i>Holy Hour from 9am</i>
		Goring	6.00pm	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>	
		Goring	5.00pm	<i>Confessions</i>	
		Goring	6.00pm	Private intention	
		Goring (Latin)	8.00am	Parish & people	
		Goring	10.00am	Private intention	
		Woodcote	11.30am	Faithful departed (WO'C)	

*Day of Abstinence*

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.

**MANY HAPPY RETURNS**

Roxane Elmy celebrates one of the more significant birthdays today. We send her our love and wish her many happy returns, every blessing and thanks for picking most of today's hymns. Do please stay behind after the 10am Mass for a little celebration in the Galilee.

**IGNATIUS PEREIRA RIP**

Please pray for the soul of Ignatius Pereira, Sharon Hart's father, who died earlier this week. Until recently he was often at Mass here, particularly at CTK. We send Edna, Sharon and all their family our sympathy and our love. May he rest in peace.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025**

We will start this year's preparations on Thursday at 4pm. It is an exciting time not just for our young parishioners but for their parents and the parish as a whole. Keep them in your prayers.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

... to James Fitzpatrick, baptized yesterday, and to all his family in Basildon and further afield.

**THE HENDERSON FAMILY**

The last ten days have brought several medical challenges for the Henderson family which happily have ended well. They are incredibly grateful to everyone who has supported them, particularly at the JR: Wajab, Oliver, Sebastian, Emma, Katie, Abbi, Louise and Molly. We will say Mass in thanksgiving at CTK on Thursday.

**LENTEN FASTING FOR CAFOD**

Last Friday is the annual *Family Fast Day* for CAFOD. The idea is that we give what we would otherwise have spent on ourselves to help feed those throughout the world who have very little. Anne Nisbet, who is taking over from William as our parish CAFOD rep, will speak after the three main Masses this weekend.

**VOTIVE LAMPS**

These burn during March for the Brown family at Woodcote and for the Vlk family, for Sr Jude and Sr Assumpta and for a private intention at Goring.

**PILGRIMS OF HOPE**

Full details of our pilgrimage route to Caversham on Saturday 12 April are on the posters with space to sign up. Do the whole 9 miles, join later at Whitchurch or Mapledurham or just drive down for our pilgrimage Mass at 1pm and bring something to share at a picnic lunch.

**FUTURE PILGRIMAGES:**

10 May: Saturday pilgrimage to Walsingham with the diocese. Details on the posters and flyers.

24-30 May: diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes. See the diocesan website.

summer: parish trip to Harvington.

November: joint trip to Rome with Caversham.

**READERS AT MASS**

6pm: Simon Enright; 10am: Roberts family; 11.30 Anna Griffiths, Chris Gregory.

**COMING UP**

Tickets will go live on the Galilee website tomorrow for Jeremy Nicholas's return on 16 May with an evening of laughter and readings from *Three Men in a Boat*. A great treat!

**PLEASE PRAY**

THE SICK: for Margaret, Jeanie, Anne-Marie, Elizabeth, Mary, John, Gill, Joan, Lavinia, Kevin, John, Pat-sy, 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, Ignatius, Pope Francis, Edward 11 others & for SG's friends; THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED: Sheila Macnab, Mair, Sr Jude, Sr Assumpta, Jonathan Miall, Loulou Graham, Pat Blacquiere; also Veronica Marsh, Rachel O'Sullivan, Martin Grindley, Ada Harris, George Faillace, William Baxendale, Brigid Howard-Allen, Sheila Lowe.

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