



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

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PENTECOST (*Whit Sunday*)

<i>Novena day 9</i>	Goring	Sat 6.00pm	Private intention
	Goring (Latin)	8.00am	Parish & people
	Goring	10.00am	Lucy Bermingham (anniv.)
	Woodcote	11.30am	Private intention
Monday 20	Mary, Mother of the Church	Goring	7.30am For our Godchildren
Tuesday 21	St Christopher Magallanes	Goring	6.00pm For an ill parishioner
Wednesday 22	St Rita of Cascia	Goring	9.30am Private intention
Thursday 23	OLJC Eternal High Priest	Woodcote	12.00pm Private intention
Friday 24	Feria (Votive Mass of the Holy Spirit)	Goring	9.00am <i>Holy Hour</i>
		Goring	10.00am Private intention
Saturday 25	St Bede the Venerable	Woodcote	5.00pm <i>Confessions</i>
		Goring	6.00pm Private intention
Sunday 26	TRINITY SUNDAY	Goring (Latin)	8.00am Parish & people
		Goring	10.00am Sophie Cole & Elliot Delvenne (1st HC)
		Woodcote	11.30am Private intention

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. 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.

<p>DATES FOR THE DIARY</p> <p>26 May—Trinity Sunday; first Holy Communion</p> <p>2 June—Sunday after Corpus Christi; first Holy Communion</p> <p>13 June—church history talk as part of the Gap Festival</p> <p>30 June—SSPP; parish garden party in the afternoon in Goring (or Coffee and Cake if wet); Confirmation at Caversham.</p> <p>TODAY</p> <p>... is Pentecost, the second greatest day in the Christian year. After the 10am Mass there will be coffee and cake. Huge thanks to Phil Sadler and all the other volunteers.</p> <p>SECOND COLLECTION</p> <p>Thank you for your generosity towards the Church's witness at a time of such rapidly changing technology. As the Pope said last Sunday, AI raises all sorts of possibilities. But how do we cling to the truth that humans are created uniquely in the image and likeness of God?</p>	<p>1ST HOLY COMMUNIONS</p> <p>As is our custom, we will celebrate the great feast of the Most Holy Trinity next Sunday with two of our younger parishioners making their first Holy Communion. As you will remember, this is a never-to-be forgotten moment in anyone's life. Please pray for Sophie and for Elliot. One of the things which lockdown gave us was spreading our celebrations over a number of Sundays. This year there will be a second Mass on the following Sunday when Conrad, Fergus, Finn, Jonty and Rafe will join them. In a small country church this spreads the joy and helps fit a number of families in comfort.</p> <p>CAR PARKING</p> <p>During the week we had another minor collision at Goring. No-one was hurt, the damage was minimal but it reminds me to say that we do not have a car park in the sense that, say, Caversham, Henley or Thame have car parks with white lines and bollards. We have a garden and grounds which are not quite the same thing! It is a kindness to give priority to friends with mobility needs if you possibly can.</p>	<p>1ST HOLY COMMUNION</p> <p>The group meets for the last time on Thursday at 5.15pm.</p> <p>VOTIVE LIGHTS</p> <p>... burn for the Brown family at Woodcote and for the Knollys family and Graham Johnstone at Goring. One is still available for a person or an intention.</p> <p>READERS AT MASS</p> <p>6pm: Simon Enright; 10am: the Wheatley family; 11.30am: Rose Metcalf. It is always good to hear from people who would like to be involved. The more the merrier.</p> <p>SYCAMORE COURSE</p> <p>I made a mistake. After a bit of a break for unavoidable reasons Film 7 is on 29 May.</p>	<p>PLEASE PRAY</p> <p>... 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, Lucy, Linda, David and Lindsey, Gail, Sr Maria Goretti, Pat, Emma, Paul, Deborah, Christine, Mark, Leon, Charlie, Catherine, Colin, Gary and 9 others.</p> <p>... for the souls of Mike Halfpenny, Fr John Hunwicke, Francis O'Gorman and Susan McFarlane; also for Lucy Bermingham, Paul Jameson, Betty Gassick, Elizabeth Berkeley and Howard Larkin (anniv.)</p> <p>... for the children across the world helped by <i>Marys' Meals</i>.</p>
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