

## PARISH OF THE ENGLISH MARTYRS, Goring Way

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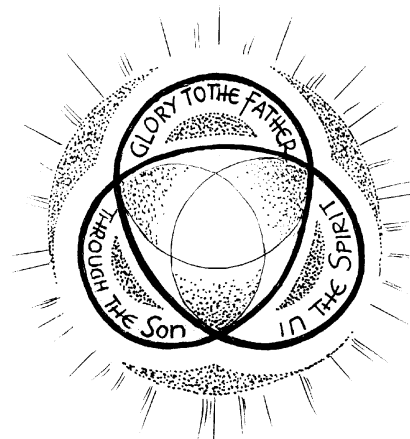
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### The Most Holy Trinity

Saturday	10 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm	Charlie Gillespie RIP
Sunday	11 <sup>th</sup>	8.15 am	Intention of Ken Ellis
		10.30 am	Annie McCaffrey RIP
		12.30 pm	First Holy Communion Mass
Monday	12 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Canon Peter Phillips RIP
Tuesday	13 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Intention of Frank Scanlon (ill)
		7.30 pm	<b>Choir Practice</b>
Wednesday	14 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	James & Kathleen O'Toole RIP
Thursday	15 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Carmel Duffy RIP
Friday	16 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Fr Tom Uzhunnalil (held captive)
Saturday	17 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm	The Parish
Sunday	18 <sup>th</sup>	8.15 am	Dr John Foley RIP
		10.30 am	Jack & Mary Haugh RIP
		6.00 pm	Polish Mass



**SATURDAY:** Exposition with Benediction: 10.00 - 11.00am. Reconciliation: 10.15 – 10.45 am & 5.15 - 5:45 pm

**TODAY'S READINGS:** Exodus 34:4-6,8-9; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; John 6:51-58

**Church: £523**

**The Catholic Communications Network: £370**

**Thank you for your generosity.**

**This weekend there will be a Second Collection for the Missionary Endeavour of the Diocese (Gift Aid)**

**Next Sunday there will be a Second Collection for A Day For Life**

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Irene Sedeño Vicente, Peter, Molly Simmonds, Deacon Pat Moloney, Roy Pritchard, Marie Davidson, Yvonne Carter, Lottie-Mae, Gordon & Ann Milne, Finlay, Alfred Deacon, Ester Park, Marie Garselis, Roni Horstead, Krissie White, Ronnie Tyler, Jenny Begley, Paula de Mello, Bill Hogg, Andrew Kennedy, Ted O'Brien, Breda Schlimgen, Michaela Finn, Ann Wesley, Winifred Lyons, Yvette Allen, Leslie Lee, Joan Jacobs, Kerry McStravick, Gerry Potter, Lydia Van Melsen, Donald MacDonald, Edna Catley

**2. THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY** and those whose anniversaries occur about now: William Steadman, Bernard Carroll, Cynthia Hinchcliffe, Wendy Lee, Rose Jeffery, Jim Murphy, Pamela Dixon-Smith, Winifred Roland, Thomas Smith,

**3. WELCOME TO ANY VISITORS** to our Parish this weekend. We do hope that you have enjoyed your stay

**4. FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** will be received by nineteen of our children this Sunday during the 12.30 pm Mass. Please pray for: Ciarán Barnes, Ethan Clark, Emily Clarke, Eleni Dimopoulou, Joshua Fitzjohn, Romano Foschini, Jack Greenfield, Tyler Greeney, Eóin Jessup, Patrick Kelly, Abigail Markham, Joshua Martinez, Sophia Oliveros, Ella-Marie Peapell, Katie Preston, Logan Purdie, Elliot Starbuck, Eleanor Stepney and Natalya Whatley

**5. PARISH FINANCE MEETING** - you are invited to an open meeting to be held **next** Friday 16th June in the Barn at 7.30 pm to receive the Financial Statement for the Year 2016. Copies available in both porches

**6. MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** At all three Masses **next** weekend there will be a ceremony of Renewal of Commitment on the part of the Eucharistic Ministers

**7. PARISH SUMMER BARBEQUE** will be held on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June in and around the Barn starting at 7.00pm. There will be a raffle as well as delicious food and excellent company – providing you come! All proceeds to St Barnabas Hospice. Raffle prizes will be gratefully received. Tickets on sale after all Masses this weekend. Adult £7.50 and Child £4.00

**8. ARE YOU AGED BETWEEN 13 and 29 YEARS?** The on-line Youth Survey asking young Catholics for their views ahead of a world meeting of bishops in 2018 has been extended, the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has announced, because only 4,000 people have responded to date and they would like many thousands more to reply. The survey aims to be as user friendly as possible, intending to show that the Vatican is listening to young people and trying to understand the changes in their lives in the digital age. Please go on to <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/parish-youth-poll> and let the bishops know your views. You are the future of the Church!

**9. CHOIR PRACTICES:** The next practice will be this Tuesday at 7.30 pm. If you enjoy singing do come and join us. All are welcome

**10. APF RED BOX HOLDERS (MISSIO)** please return your red boxes to the Sacristy for counting

**11. BIKE RIDE:** John Mayock will be setting off on a delayed Bike Ride **next** Saturday 17th June to raise funds for Mary's Meals and the Hospice in Kalingalinga. He is looking for sponsors!

**12. HANDMADE CARDS FOR FATHER'S DAY** (which is on 18<sup>th</sup> June) are now available in the Shop. All proceeds from the sale of these cards goes to the Parish Project in Kalingalinga

**13. THE NEXT WOMEN'S BREAKFAST:** takes place on 24th June from 09:00-11:00 am in The Barn.. We invite you to join us for a delicious breakfast, good conversation, community and friendship. Our guest speakers this month will be The Air Ambulance Service. We hope you will join us. Transport can be arranged. Please contact Jane-Anne on 01903-502070 with any queries.

**14. WE HAVE A LIPSTICK PROBLEM!** Even Vanish will not remove lipstick from the purificators when washed each week after use by the Ministers holding the chalices. The answer is in your hands!

**15. ENGLISH MARTYRS PRIMARY SCHOOL** is looking to recruit a practising Catholic to join our Governing Body as a Foundation Governor. The Governing Body work as a team in co-operation with the Headteacher to ensure legal responsibilities are met and to preserve the Catholic character of the school. We are looking for someone with experience in one of the following areas - Finance, ICT, HR, Education or with links to local businesses. Lack of experience should not deter you from expressing an interest if you have a genuine desire to serve the school by devoting your time & expertise. For further information please contact the school on 01903 502868

**16. MARY'S MEALS:** We are now in particular need of Soap, Toothpaste, Pencil Cases, Serviceable Ladies & Children's Sandals, Flip-Flops, Shoes. (Flat's please – NO heels) Many thanks to all who help in this way.

**17. WORTHING CHURCHES HOMELESS PROJECTS:** Urgently needed this month: Sugar, Squash, Fruit Juices, Biscuits, Coffee, Peanut Butter, Marmite, Hoodies, Boxer shorts, Ladies undies 12/14, Washing Powder, Toilet rolls, Dustpan & brushes, Mops (not buckets), Brooms, Tea towels Many thanks to all who donate in this way

**FATHER LIAM SAYS: A couple of weeks ago** somebody from the north of England wrote a letter in a Catholic paper about attending Sunday Mass in a Surrey parish. It was the First Holy Communion celebration that day. This visitor was very critical of the singing on that occasion. The following week there was a letter from a man in Devon who remarked that the church in question was circular and that might account for the poor singing as he felt that circular buildings are not acoustically proficient. Lo and behold another week and another writer – this time from Wales – came up with another theory. She felt that the poor singing may be due to the amount of visitors who came for the First Holy Communion Celebration. She felt that many of them may very seldom attend church and so would be out of their depth.

Because we have had a relatively large number of First Communicants for a number of years our First Holy Communions take place not at one of our regular Masses but an extra Mass is celebrated at 12.30 pm. Such is the case today. I am confident that the singing will be just fine and even if it does leave room for improvement that is no bad thing. There is always room for improvement. The good Lord, I'm sure has an interest in us and our celebrations that extends far beyond the quality of our singing – nevertheless we must all do the best we can.

Meanwhile – back in Rome – Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI has largely kept out of the limelight ever since his resignation over four years ago. He lives in a former monastic building in the Vatican and has professed his warm admiration for Pope Francis on a number of occasions. Recently he wrote a few words by way of support for a book by Cardinal Robert Sarah who leads the Divine Worship department. A year ago Cardinal Sarah said that priests should celebrate Mass facing east. In effect that would often mean saying Mass with their back to the people as was the case up to fifty years ago. Our beautiful church was built after the Second Vatican Council. If we followed Cardinal Sarah's wishes, how would we go about it! Luckily most priests completely ignored Cardinal Sarah and Pope Francis lost no time in making it clear that he didn't think it was a good idea either.

Cardinal Sarah recently brought out a book on the liturgy. Pope Emeritus Benedict wrote an Afterword, praising it and its author: 'We should be grateful to Pope Francis for appointing such a spiritual teacher as head of the Congregation that is responsible for the celebration of the Liturgy of the Church.' Last October Pope Francis appointed several new members of the Congregation of Divine Worship replacing more conservative figures with proven pastoral moderates. Rather than demote Sarah he used diplomacy. Benedict went on: 'With Cardinal Sarah, a master of interior prayer, the liturgy is in good hands.' Why did he write that? Perhaps the publishers were keen that he would as they have a book to sell! Some people think that Cardinal Sarah could be the next Pope!

Pope Francis recently addressed a meeting of Scientists in Rome: 'I am deeply appreciative of your work,' he said, 'and I encourage you to persevere in your search for truth. For we ought never to fear the truth nor become trapped in our own pre-conceived ideas. We should welcome new scientific discoveries with an attitude of humility.'