

PARISH OF THE ENGLISH MARTYRS, Goring Way

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The Second Sunday of the Year

Saturday	13 th	6.00 pm	The Parish
Sunday	14 th	8.15 am	Sheila Bishop RIP
		1 0.30 am	Intentions of Andy & Sandy
Monday	15 th	9.30 am	Tom & Kevin Corrigan RIP
Tuesday	16 th	9.30 am	No Mass
Wednesday	17 th	9.30 am	No Mass
Thursday	18 th	9.30 am	Intentions of Ann & Gordon Milne
Friday	19 th	9.30 am	No Mass
		7.30 pm	Prayer Group
Saturday	20 th	6.00 pm	Barbara Nelson RIP
Sunday	21 st	8.15 am	The Parish
		10.30 am	The Intentions of the Bevans Family
		6.00 pm	Polish Mass



SATURDAY: Exposition with Benediction: 10.00 - 11.00am. Reconciliation: 10.15 – 10.45 am & 5.15 - 5.45 pm

COLLECTIONS: Church: £ Thank you for your generosity.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 3:3-10,19, 1 St Paul to 1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20, John 1:35-42

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Jonah 3:1-5, 10, 1 Corinthians 7:29-31, Mark 1:14-20

THIS SUNDAY there will be a second collection for SPUC – please see Note 4 below.

Next Weekend there will be an Appeal by the Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers) Please see Note 7

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: David Hall, Ann & Gordon Milne, Helen Gillespie, Anne Whitehead, Bernard Bandy, Jeany, Peter, Deacon Pat Moloney, Marie Davidson, Yvonne Carter, Finlay, Alfred Deacon, Ester Park, Marie Garselis, Roni Horstead, Ronnie Tyler, Jenny Begley, Bill Hogg, Andrew Kennedy, Breda Schlimgen, Michaela Finn, Ann Wesley, Winifred Lyons, Yvette Allen, Leslie Lee, Kerry McStravick, Gerry Potter, Lydia Van Melsen, Edna Catley

2. THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY and those whose anniversaries occur about now: Edith Murphy, Edward Hatton, Winifred Pearce, Bernard Hagel, John Flood, Philip Gilpin, Sheila Bishop, Kathleen Bull, Anne Wapshott, Mary Bertolini, Michael Lambert, Michael Mills, Kathleen Smyth, Beatrice Wilson, Marie Terry, Geoffrey Gilbert, Margaret Scott, John Nolan, Alan Pockney, Phyllis Welling, Doug Headon, Bernard Davy

3. CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FOR CHILDREN: Many thanks to all those who have so kindly donated presents for the children – I am sure they will be delighted

4. WHITE FLOWER APPEAL – The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal this weekend. SPUC is currently campaigning to stop the decriminalisation of abortion, which means taking abortion outside the law. This is the most dangerous threat to unborn children and their mothers in decades. Please be as generous as you can to help us defeat this latest attack on unborn babies and their mothers, and to stop abortion getting even worse in this country by decriminalisation.

5. TRADCRAFT will be on sale after all Masses **next** weekend

6. WHAT IS YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION? Or should it be '**YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU!**' We are a busy parish with many good things happening in it but these only can happen if you are prepared to join in. At the moment help is needed with Flower Arranging, Cleaning, assistance with The Little Angels Mother and Toddler Group, the Music Group and Friendship in the Barn. At the beginning of April we open again to the public who wish to come and view the ceiling and our lovely stained glass windows. There is much to do but we really do need you to come and help where you can. Please contact Anne in the Parish Office for further information and with your offers of assistance.

7. MISSION APPEAL BY THE SPIRITANS next weekend. The Spiritans were founded in 1703 by Fr Poullart des Places in Paris and have since grown into a world-wide movement, operating in more than 60 countries and preaching the Gospel of peace and justice. We stand alongside the powerless in society to work with them for a better world through education, health, development and tolerance. At home we work with people seeking refuge or asylum, people suffering from drug and alcohol abuse, prisoners and those abandoned by society. We remain faithful to the vision of Christ and go beyond national boundaries to reach people of all colour, creed and class.

8. WORTHING CHURCHESW HOMELESS PROJECTS: Urgently needed this month: Coffee, Sugar, Tinned tomatoes, Tinned vegetables, Cooking Oil, Fruit Juice, Horlicks, Longlife milk, Brown sauce, Marmite, Rice Pudding, Washing powder/tabs/liquid, Washing up liquid, Shampoo / Conditioner, Tissues. Many thanks to all those who are so generous in their donations

Father Liam asks: What is the third commandment? In the Catholic numbering of the Ten Commandments, it is: 'Keep holy the Sabbath day'. The Protestant numbering, however, gives it as: 'Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.' This is very confusing. The sixth commandment in the Catholic version is: 'Thou shalt not commit adultery' whereas this is the seventh commandment in the Protestant version.

It might help if we simply look at how the commandments are set out in Scripture – in the Book of Exodus. 'And God spoke all these words saying, I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

You shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself a graven image or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them, for the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments'

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God, in it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter, your manservant or your maidservant, or your cattle, or the sojourner who is within your gates; for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is within them, and rested on the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath and hallowed it.

Honour your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land which the Lord your God gives you.

You shall not kill.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife or his maidservant, or his ox or anything that is your neighbour's (Exodus 20:1-17)

You will see that the Commandments are not individually numbered in Exodus for the sake of easy memorisation. The Church has historically condensed the passage from Exodus into the Ten Commandments. At the Reformation, the numbering adopted by the Protestants differed from that which had previously been the case. In fact only the First Commandment is common to both

<i>The Catholic Numbering of the Ten Commandments</i>	<i>The Protestant Numbering of the Ten Commandments</i>
i Thou shalt have no strange gods before me	i. Thou shalt have no strange gods before me
ii Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain	ii. Thou shalt not carve graven images
iii Keep holy the Sabbath	iii. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain
iv Honour your father and your mother	iv. Keep holy the Sabbath
v Thou shalt not kill	v. Honour your father and your mother
vi. Thou shalt not commit adultery	vi. Thou shalt not kill
vii. Thou shalt not steal	vii. Thou shalt not commit adultery
viii. Thou shalt not bear false witness	viii. Thou shalt not steal
ix. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife	ix. Thou shalt not bear false witness
x. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's goods	x. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife and thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's goods 1

In the Catholic scheme of things having strange gods and carving images and bowing down before them to worship them are grouped together as idolatry, while Protestants separate these statements into two distinct commandments. In the Protestant version, when it comes to coveting, the very different sins of coveting your neighbour's wife and his goods are combined into a single commandment whereas they are very distinct commandments in the version most of us have learned from childhood. Interestingly most German Lutherans have stuck with the Catholic numbering.

It is sometimes suggested that Catholics are 'hiding' part of the first commandment as we do not wish to draw attention to carving craven images. But the prohibition against worshipping false gods and carving idols for the sake of worshipping deal with the exact same sin – idolatry. Idol worship was a particularly common form of idolatry and God is making it clear that carving statues or fashioning images for the sake of worshipping them is evil. The Catholic Church condenses both into the single commandment – do not worship false gods. The Catholic Church forbids the worship of graven images just as it forbids the worship of any other false god. But it is clear that there is a correct use of statues and images in religious worship. Just five chapters later than the prohibition of carving images to worship them we find God commanding Moses to carve graven images of angels to be placed on top of the Ark of the covenant. This is in Chapter 25 of Exodus. God had not forgotten the prohibition he gave in Chapter 20. God was not contradicting himself. There is a world of difference in using images as part of our worship of a false god and using images to help us in our worship of the one true God.

NOTICES second collection for SPUC

**THE 'CAFOD AUCTION' AND SUPPER EXTRAVAGANZA
after 6.00 pm Mass**