

YEAR OF THE BIBLE

THE PARISH OF GORING-BY-SEA

WELCOMES YOU TODAY



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Church Notice Sheet

**for the week commencing
Sunday, 3rd December 2017
The First Sunday of Advent**

**Our Parish Mission Focus for November
Chichester Diocesan Association for Family Support Work
Assisting families within our Diocese through their food bank, toy bank,
and local support workers.**

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Prayers and Readings for Sunday, 3rd December 2017

Collect

Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;
that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

O Lord our God,
make us watchful and keep us faithful
as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;
that, when he shall appear,
he may not find us sleeping in sin
but active in his service
and joyful in his praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



The Gospel. Jesus speaks about the last days.

DATE	SUNG EUCHARIST	EVENSONG
3rd December 1st Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 64: 1-9 p704 1Corinthians 1: 3-9 p162 Mark13: 24-37 p48	Psalm 25: 1-9 Isaiah 1: 1-20 p640 Matthew 21: 1-13 p21
10th December 2nd Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 40: 1-11 p677 2Peter 3: 8-15a p235 Mark 1: 1-8 p33	Psalm40: 12-end 1Kings 22: 1-28 p339 Romans 15: 4-13 p159
17th December 3rd Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 61: 1-4,8-end p702 1Thessalonians 5: 16-24 p202 John 1: 6-8,19-28 p88	Psalm 68: 1-8 Malachi 3: 1-4: 4 p904 Philippians 4: 4-7 p196

Church Services and Diary Dates

Weekly services

Sunday	Holy Communion	8.00 am
	Sung Family Eucharist	9.30 am
	Evensong	6.00 pm
Wednesday	Celtic Communion	6.30 pm
Thursday	Holy Communion	10.00 am
Saturday	Parish Prayers	9.00 am

On the **first Sunday** of every month, Family Eucharist is at 10.00 am

On the **last Sunday** of every month, there is Family Eucharist at St Laurence's at 11.00 am

[All services as listed above, unless otherwise stated in the diary]

Regular Church Groups

Tuesdays	Bell-ringers	7.30 pm - 9.00 pm
Wednesdays	Smarties (Term time)	9.15 am - 11.00 am
Thursdays	Coffee Time	10.45 am - 11.45 am
	Music Group	7.30 pm - 9.30 pm
Fridays	Church cleaning	(1st and 3rd Fridays)
	Choir Practice	7.00 pm - 8.00 pm

December Diary		
Sunday 3rd	Family Service "Christingle" Advent Carol Service	10.00am 6.00pm
Monday 4th	ABRSM examinations in church PCC Meeting in church	All day 7.30pm
Tuesday 5th	ABRSM examinations in church	All day
Wednesday 6th	ABRSM examinations in church Singing for Fun	All day 7.20pm
Friday 15th	Goring CE Primary School- KS2 - Carol Service	9.15am - 12noon
Saturday 16th	CAROLATHON and CHRISTMAS FAIR St. Mary's Church and Parish Hall	10.00am - 4.30pm
Sunday 17th	NO PARISH BREAKFAST Service of Lessons and Carols	6.00pm
Monday 18th	CTG Prayer Meeting St. Laurence's Church	2.30pm
Saturday, 23rd	'Carols on the Green' - by Mulberry Shops	10.30am

Notices

A date for your diary. **The Carolathon and Christmas Fair is on Saturday, 16th December from 10.00 am until 4.30 pm.** Please come along and support this event. Please take a leaflet from the back of the Church re "Carolathon" to display in your car, or home, window.

This year, we are re-introducing the **Posada Journey** to our Christmas preparations. The Posada will be blessed at the Family Service on Sunday, 3rd December and will then continue around the parish until the Crib Service on Christmas Eve. If you wish to make room for Mary and Joseph in your home for one night during Advent, please fill in the Journey Rota at the back of church.

There will be a **meeting of the Parish Church Council on Monday 4th December 2017.** The agenda is displayed on the PCC notice board. Please address any comments or queries to the PCC secretary Gill Keevill: gilliankeevill@me.com

Christmas Market 16th December - Cakes are required for the Cake Stall. If you are able to provide a cake, please bring on the day to the Hall, or contact Janice Lelliott for further details. Janice Lelliott 504384

St. Laurence's Fellowship meet earlier than usual this month **Friday 8th Dec. 2.30pm.** Our Christmas Tea will be at Marine Gardens Cafe.

We are pleased to receive the newsletter from St. Andrew's CofE School, Worthing. A copy is displayed on the schools' notice board, if you would like a copy please see Gill Keevill.

St. Mary's Social Circle - 14th December - 7pm

Our evening of Christmas Carols and songs, poems and stories. Everyone welcome. Mulled wine and mince pies provided.

"Goring Parish" 2018 Calendar - You are gently reminded that these wall calendars which have been especially designed by Allan Plumpton for Goring parish using his own sketches and paintings are still available [Price £5.00 each] at the back of the church. Only a very limited number now available! The pictures will also shortly start appearing as large posters on the notice board in the St Mary's car park."

N.B: If you have a notice that you wish to place in the weekly Church Notice Sheet, please send or email it to the Parish Office **no later than 11.00 am on Wednesday morning.**
Many thanks.

The deadline for the February/March edition of *Goring Parish News* is 2nd January, 2018. Articles should be sent electronically to goringparishnews@outlook.com or if this is not possible in writing to the Parish Office.