

THE PARISH OF GORING-BY-SEA

WELCOMES YOU TODAY



YEAR OF PRAYER 2018

Church Notice Sheet

for the week commencing
Sunday, 24th December 2017
The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Our Parish Mission Focus for December
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, 24th December 2017

Collect

God our redeemer,
who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary
to be the mother of your Son:
grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour,
so we may be ready to greet him
when he comes again as our judge;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Heavenly Father,
who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary
to be the mother of the promised saviour:
fill us your servants with your grace,
that in all things we may embrace your holy will
and with her rejoice in your salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



The Gospel. St. Luke's story of the Angel who appeared to Mary and told her about the coming birth of Jesus.

DATE	SUNG EUCHARIST	EVENSONG
24th December The Fourth Sunday of Advent	2 Samuel 7: 1-11,16 p290 Romans 16: 25-end p161 Luke 1: 26-38 p54	Midnight Mass Isaiah 52: 7-10 p693 Hebrews 1: 1-4 p215 John 1: 1-14 p236
25th December Christmas Day	Isaiah 9: 2-7 p648 Titus 2: 11-14 p212 Luke 2: 15-21 p56	
31st December First Sunday of Christmas	Isaiah 61: 10-62: 3 p702 Galatians 4: 4-7 p186 Luke 2: 15-21 p56	No Evensong
7th January Epiphany	Isaiah 60: 1-6 p700 Ephesians 3: 1-12 p190 Matthew 2: 1-12 p1	Psalms 98 Isaiah 60: 1-9 p700 John 2: 1-11 p89

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, 24th	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist Crib Service - St. Mary's Carol Service - St. Laurence's Midnight Mass - St. Mary's	8:00 am 9:30 am 3:00pm 6:00pm 11:30pm
Monday 25th Christmas Day	Holy Communion Family Eucharist. Bring a present to show Family Eucharist at St Laurence's	8:00am 10:00am 11:00am
Thursday 28th	There will be NO COFFEE TIME AFTER THE 10am service.	
Sunday 31st	No service at St. Laurence's No Evensong at St. Mary's	
January Diary		
Thursday, 4th	PCC Planning Group	2:00 pm
Friday, 5th	Church cleaning	am
Sunday 7th	Family Eucharist- I am the gift.	10.00am

Notices

Father George and Bev wish everyone a very happy and blessed Christmas.

Please note that **the Parish Office will be closed** from Friday, 22nd December until Tuesday, 2nd January. There will be no Pew Sheet for the week beginning Sunday, 31st December.

Unfortunately, the Social Activities Committee is sad to announce that the Burns' Night event in January has been cancelled as several committee members are not available for the evening. **We need to attract more committee members and "friends" of the committee to make events viable.** If you are able to offer some time to this worthwhile church activity, please speak to Raye Mills W200143

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.