

OUR LADY'S MARNHULL AND ST BENEDICT'S GILLINGHAM

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6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER.

9TH MAY 2021 (4 PAGES)

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Parish website: www.marnhullandgillinghamrc.org.uk admin@marnhullandgillinghamrc.org.uk	Deacon Mike Turnbull 07504 821558 michael.turnbull@prcdtr.org.uk	Saints & Feast days. <i>Mon 10th May</i> , St John of Avila, St Damien of Molokai, St Comgall, St Antoninus of Florence; <i>Tues</i> , The Carthusian Martyrs; <i>Weds</i> , Ss Nereus & Achilleus, St Pancras; <i>Thurs</i> , The Ascension of the Lord, Our Lady of Fatima, St Erconwald; <i>Fri</i> , St Matthias, Apostle; <i>Sat</i> , St Isidore, St Carthage.
Sunday, public Masses: Marnhull 9.30.am. Joyce Healey Gillingham 11.00am. Monica Goode Offertory baskets are NOT passed around, to avoid infection, but will be available inside the church doors at all Masses. All cheques to be made to "PRCDTR Marnhull RC Parish".	Weekdays, public Mass in bold: Mon Tuesday The parishioners Weds Gillingham 10.00.am. Monica Goode Thurs Marnhull 9.30.am. The parishioners Friday Janet Gargaro Saturday Confessions: After midweek Masses or telephone Father for an appointment.	

Please pray for those who are ill: Ellen and David Paris, Brendan Colohan, Coral & Johnny Harrow, Betty Walford, Joyce West, Sarah Mackay, Barbara Frost, Tony Timoney-White, Joe Briffa, Judith Davidson, Mary Hawtree, Bob Horton, Robert Carson, Joan Duggan, Hilary Drake, Joyce Healey, and Eileen Chimes.

The Funeral Mass for Monica Goode is next *Wednesday, 12th May*, at 10am. Please pray for the repose of her soul.

May Procession will be next Thursday at St Mary's school at 2pm. As well as being Ascension Day it is also the feast of Our Lady of Fatima so it is an appropriate day to honour Our Lady in her month of May.

Thy Kingdom Come

Once again the annual International Ecumenical Initiative of **Thy Kingdom Come** is promoting a novena of prayer from Ascension Thursday through until Pentecost Sunday, introducing more people to Jesus.

This year it is encouraging us all to pray particularly for a minimum of **five** nominated friends or relatives, on a daily basis, that we wish to bring closer to Jesus.

Bishop Mark has taken the lead on this evangelisation initiative and this can be viewed on the short clip at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=10P_Y-MDQ7E

Further information and resources are available at the Thy Kingdom Come website:

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global>

Welcome newcomers and visitors. You can find out more about our parish on our website – address at top of this page.

Novena Prayer

Lord Jesus,

We pray for the confidence to be missionary disciples, sharing your Good News of salvation with those we meet in our daily lives. We bring before you in prayer those who have never known you, that the light of your truth may penetrate their minds and hearts, and those who have grown lukewarm in their faith that they may be reawakened to your graces. We commend to you those in need of your mercy that they will know the joy of your forgiveness (name the five people you want to pray for).

We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pope Francis' prayer intention for May is for the regulation of financial markets. Pope Francis is asking Catholics to pray throughout May for the regulation of financial markets to "protect citizens from its dangers."

The pope said it again recently," Fr. Frederic Fornos S.J. said. "We cannot be content with 'a return to an unequal and unsustainable model of economic and social life, where a tiny minority of the world's population owns half of its wealth. He said: "We still have time to start a process of global change to put into practice a different, more just, inclusive, sustainable economy that leaves no one behind. Let's do it." (CNA, 4th May 2021)

The feast of St Rita of Cascia will be celebrated at St Rita's Centre, Honiton, Devon on *Saturday 22nd May*, with Mass at 12 noon followed by the blessing and distribution of roses for the sick. You are all very welcome to join us. This celebration will be carefully prepared and will follow all national guidelines and the sanitary protocols suggested by health institutions. Because of national restrictions places for the Mass must be pre-booked. Please book online (www.stritascentre.org) or ring the office on 01404 42635.

For visitors who might like to buy religious articles two shops will be open that day for sale of religious articles; they can also make their orders on our website and collect their items on site on the feast day.

Yours sincerely in Christ, Fr. Jose Romero OAR,

Prior of the Augustinian Recollect Community in Honiton, Director of St. Rita's Centre, Honiton Holy Family RC Church Parish Priest, St. Rita's Centre, Ottery Moor Lane, Honiton, EX14 1AP

Rosary Stronghold, May 2021 Daily online Rosary: *24th May*, Rosary Day for Schools; *30th May*, National Rosary Relay Rally; *31st May*, Online Rosary with Bp John Keenan. The Catholic National Shrine and Basilica of Our Lady at Walsingham, in collaboration with Rosary Movement of Reparation and Carfin Grotto. www.walsingham.org.uk - www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk - www.carfingrotto.org For further information email Antonia@Walsingham.org.uk

People can join a livestream recitation of the Rosary within the diocese on

i) *Sunday, May 30th*, 11am-12 noon with Bishop Mark from the Cathedral (see Diocesan website)

ii) *Saturday, May 24th*, 8pm, from St. Joseph's, Newton Abbot, using the following link

<https://www.facebook.com/stjosephsparishnewtonabbot/videos/>

God bless. Fr. Jon Bielawski. Vicariate for Evangelisation & Catechesis.

The Life and Influence of Nelson Mandela online event.

Dear Friends

Please join us for this fascinating online talk from Rev Colin Chambers, who was chaplain to Nelson Mandela for eight years on Robben Island. Colin is now an Alabaré chaplain, helping us to support veterans who have become homeless to rebuild their lives.

Colin will talk about Mandela, focussing particularly on forgiveness and reconciliation including an introduction to apartheid, and after his talk there will be an opportunity to ask questions through the Question and Answer facility. This event will be held via Zoom at 7pm on *Tuesday*

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8th June. The evening should provide fascinating insights into Nelson Mandela and life on Robben Island and it would be wonderful if you would promote this event to your congregation and those you feel might be interested.

The cost of a ticket to join the event is £15, and tickets can be bought by following the link on our website www.alabare.co.uk. Details on how to join the webinar will be sent to ticket holders a few days before the event.

This event was originally planned for March 2020 but was the first of many events which we had to postpone due to the Covid pandemic. We are delighted that Colin has agreed that, in order to avoid any further delays, we should now hold this event online. Those who already hold tickets from last year will be able to access this event without doing any more. More details can also be found by following the link above. With many thanks for your support, With kind regards Helen Inglis, Church Engagement Officer h.inglis@alabare.co.uk

The Vatican's divine worship office announced on Saturday the addition of seven new invocations to the Litany of St. Joseph. The seven invocations, in Latin, are Custos Redemptoris, Serve Christi, Minister salutis, Fulcimen in difficultatibus, Patrone exsulum, Patrone afflictorum, and Patrone pauperum.

The Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments wrote a letter to the presidents of bishops' conferences May 1, the feast of St. Joseph the Worker, explaining the inclusion of the new invocations.

"On the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church, the Holy Father, Pope Francis, published the Apostolic Letter *Patris corde*, with the aim 'to increase our love for this great saint, to encourage us to implore his intercession and to imitate his virtues and his zeal,'" the congregation said.

"In this light," it added, "it appeared opportune to update the Litany in honor of Saint Joseph, approved by the Apostolic See in 1909, by integrating seven new invocations drawn from the interventions of the Popes who have reflected on aspects of the figure of the Patron of the Universal Church."

The additions to the Litany of St. Joseph were approved by Pope Francis.

The bishops' conferences will be responsible for the translation and publication of the updated litany in their local languages, the divine worship congregation stated. Bishops' conferences can also, according to their own prudential judgement, introduce other invocations by which St. Joseph is honoured in their countries.

A litany is a type of repetitive, petitionary prayer, often invoking the intercession of the saints or the Virgin Mary under different titles approved by the Church.

The new invocations of St. Joseph can be translated in English as Guardian of the Redeemer, Servant of Christ, Minister of Salvation, Support in Difficulties, Patron of Refugees, Patron of the Afflicted, and Patron of the Poor. (*Catholic News Agency, 3rd May 2021.*)

Last Tuesday we celebrated the commemoration of The English Martyrs, some of the 'seeds of our faith'. An excellent paper is attached, courtesy of 'Universalis', on the men and women in England, who died preserving the faith for us, here.

Road repairs. Our Head teacher, Mr Alan Frame, has kindly included in the latest School Newsletter, a notification from the Dorset Highways Dept. informing of the traffic delays for road repairs, in Haines Lane, Marnhull, *between 18th May and 8th June.*

A letter of thanks has been received, (and is attached), from our parish charity, 'Let the Children Live', thanking us for all our fundraising efforts, with an explanation of how the money is being spent. Please remember in your prayers the Street Children, of Medellin, Columbia.

Our Parish Community: Almost from the first lockdown, groups of our parishioners have been meeting, using the online facility "Zoom". This has helped us stay in touch with friends and often pray together. Deacon Michael organises this, using the link below. Following the success of the online course "The Bible Timeline", run online on *Wednesday* evenings in Advent last year, we met at 7pm the following evening on Zoom, to discuss what we had heard the day before. The course is currently being repeated, with the follow-up meetings taking place on Zoom at 7pm on *Thursdays*, as before.

Friday evenings at 6.00pm we have The Angelus, followed by the Holy Rosary. (except 'First Friday'). Bring your dedications to add to that of relief from the coronavirus pandemic.

Sundays at 12.15pm we have a 'coffee' morning until we are called for lunch!.

On *Sunday afternoons* during Lent, at 3.00pm, Deacon Michael led us in Stations of the Cross. We will continue this Sunday afternoon session *each Sunday till Pentecost* following the *Stations of the Resurrection* (mainly from the Acts of the Apostles). Everyone welcome. Bring a friend. Best wishes and blessings, You'll find us on Deacon Michael's link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9987746009?pwd=UHZuRmtPMno3MndWcDJYb0Y4VHBmZz09> The Stations of the Resurrection last Sunday afternoon, prayed for vocations to the priesthood, and were beautiful!

Holy Mass online: A reminder that Mass can be 'streamed' online from churches all over the world. To find a mass streamed from a church in England, Ireland, N. Ireland or Scotland to suit your schedule, go to <https://www.churchservices.tv/> . This is in addition to our cathedral at www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk

Some churches remain closed, despite being permitted to open. To find churches remaining open during this lockdown, go to <https://uklockdownchurches.wordpress.com/>