

# OUR LADY'S MARNHULL AND ST BENEDICT'S GILLINGHAM

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## SECOND WEEK OF LENT. 5<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2023

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Day	Place	Time	Celebrating	Intention
Sunday	Marnhull	9.30 a.m.	<b>Second Sunday of Lent</b>	<i>The people of the parish</i>
	Gillingham	11.00 a.m.		<i>Michael John Roche</i>
	Marnhull	6 p.m.		<i>Fr. Sean Flannery OAR</i>
Monday	Marnhull	9.30 a.m. <i>followed by rosary</i>	Lent	<i>Fay Baker</i>
Tuesday		No Mass		
Wednesday	Gillingham	10 a.m. <i>followed by rosary</i>	Lent	<i>Bishop Christopher</i>
Thursday	Marnhull	9.30 a.m.	Lent	<i>Joan Hurst RIP</i>
Friday	Gillingham	<i>Adoration &amp; opportunity for confession. 5.00 – 5.45 p.m. Mass 6 p.m.</i>	Lent	<i>Fr. Joseph Nwiboko</i>
Saturday	Marnhull	10 a.m. Mass <i>followed by confessions</i>	Lent	<i>Canon Paul Cummins</i>

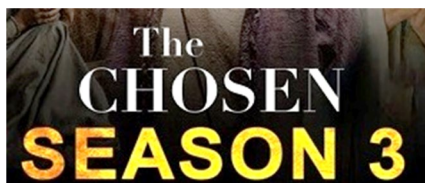
*Please pray for those who are ill: David Paris, Brendan Colohan, Coral Harrow, Betty Walford, Joyce West, Sarah Mackay, Barbara Frost, Tony Timoney-White, Bob Horton, Robert Carson, Hilary & Clive Drake, Eileen Chimes, Jeremy Cusden, Judith Forrester*

Special offerings in the parish during Lent:

**Stations of the Cross** 3 p.m. 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays in Lent in St. Benedict's and Our Lady's.

**Discussion group**, led by Deacon Mike, 7.30 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Chapel Room at Our Lady's on the Theme of "A Place for Us"

7<sup>th</sup> March: "Otherness & Difference", 14<sup>th</sup>: "The Gift of Love", 21<sup>st</sup>: "The Promise of a Place for Us." 28<sup>th</sup>: "The Tragedy of Betrayal"



About a dozen of us enjoyed watching episode one together last Monday.

Come and join us at 5.30 p.m. in the Chapel Room at Our Lady's for the next few Mondays to watch further episodes.

Tea/coffee and biscuits supplied!



Besides your usual generous offerings for the parish, you have given the following to our Second Collections in recent weeks:

CAFOD Earthquake Appeal:

£1,273.40 rounded up to £1,300 from parish funds. £845 of this was gift aided, thus adding £211 to the value of your gift.

Mission Appeal:

In aid of the Columban Missionary Society: £756.94;

Churches Together in Marnhull: **Lent lunches and talks in the Methodist Church** Fridays at noon until 31 March.

The theme of the Lent Lunches/Talks is Pilgrimage. About 30 minute talk followed by homemade soup lunch.

Please do come and support this worthy initiative, which has a very long history nationally, and also in Marnhull.

**The Safeguarding Team of the Diocese** write: We are very interested in speaking to survivors so that we can involve them in the work we are doing in safeguarding. We would like to form a survivor's advisory group to seek survivors' guidance and help. Members of the group would have the opportunity to provide input and feedback on safeguarding policies and initiatives, and would work together with the diocese to help create support and services for survivors. If you would be interested in participating in this, or you would like to find out more, please contact Sophie Scagell (Survivor Support Caseworker) on 01364 645436 or [sophie.scagell@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:sophie.scagell@prcdtr.org.uk)

Please also note that the 18th March is the annual National Child Exploitation Awareness Day which aims to highlight the issues surrounding Child Exploitation. The focus for this year is Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) and encouraging everyone to think, spot and speak out against abuse and adopt a zero tolerance to adults developing inappropriate relationships with children or children exploiting and abusing their peers. A data sheet about spotting the signs of exploitation is attached to the newsletter email.

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

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A big thank you to everyone who gives their weekly offering with gift aid. If you are a UK taxpayer, this is a way to increase the value of your offering by 25%.

One of our kind parishioners is using outdated gift aid envelopes from 2013. This is what they look like:



We'd be so grateful if the person who is using these envelopes would speak to Fr. Francis or get in touch with Pam Snell or Paul Bowe, so that we can give you a supply of new envelopes. Otherwise, it's difficult to claim the gift aid.

“Can you help us give an Easter egg to Seafarers this Easter? **Stella Maris (formerly called the Apostleship of the Sea)** Chaplains and Volunteer Ship Visitors will be visiting ships in our Southern ports during Holy Week and after Easter to bring this great celebration to many hundreds of seafarers who remain confined to their ships at this time. Together with faith materials, we would like to offer Easter Eggs and chocolates. Can you help us by donating Easter eggs and chocolates?

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Port Chaplain

*If you would like to leave these in the churches, over the next couple of weeks, Fr. Francis will arrange for them to be collected.*

## The Universe Catholic Weekly Newspaper

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[michelle.jones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk](mailto:michelle.jones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk)

We invite you to submit articles/news and celebrations about your local parish activities.

## Dorset Deanery Big Lent Walk on Saturday 25th March.

Our parishes are walking different routes on the Same Day.

We will meet at Sturminster Newton at 11am at the entrance to the trailway. We will walk to Shillingstone Station and meet a group from Blandford Parish before walking back to Sturminster Newton. The walk is about an hour each way.

Join us on the day. We look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible.

If you prefer not to walk the full distance you can meet us at Shillingstone Station at about 1230hrs.

Please register your interest by emailing Steve: [carrivick79@gmail.com](mailto:carrivick79@gmail.com)



The Caritas Plymouth Environment Policy Annual Review has now been published. It is attached to the email circulating the parish newsletter and available from Fr. Francis.

Many thanks to Steve and Maureen Carrivick who have stepped up to organise the Catholic Children's Society Quiz Night in our parish on Friday 28th April. Our Lady's, 7 for 7.30 p.m.

Tickets will be £10 per person, which includes admission to the quiz and a Ploughman's Supper. All proceeds to the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth). Why not get some friends together in a team to enjoy this fun night out. Teams can be up to 6 members. Info: <https://www.ccsplymouth.org.uk/how-you-can-help/fundraise/great-big-diocesan-quiz/>

Did you know that you can help **Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth)** to raise funds simply by recycling your ink cartridges via our Recycle4Charity programme?

For each ink cartridge recycled via the programme, we will receive up to £2 donation. Please pop your used ink cartridges in the box located in Our Lady's Chapel Room or give them to Fr. Francis. Thank you

*Steve Carrivick writes:* Our Orange box contents for recycling was collected a couple of weeks ago. I am delighted to announce that our collection has raised in excess of **£370** for CCSP. Thank you to everyone who has helped the charity by a little decluttering.

**Advance Notice:** Holy Week Services will be at Our Lady's Marnhull this year:

Maundy Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup> April	6.30 p.m.	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Good Friday	7 <sup>th</sup> April	3 p.m.	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Holy Saturday	8 <sup>th</sup> April	11 a.m.	<b>In St. Benedict's:</b> Blessing of Food
		9 p.m.	The Easter Vigil

**From the end of the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday until the Easter Vigil, the Sacraments of the Church are not celebrated except in extremis. The Sacrament of Confession will therefore not be offered on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> or Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April.**

**Caritas Diocese of Plymouth** has created a Lent Calendar <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/lentcalendar/> to suggest ways in which we can use this time for prayer, reflection and action as the service of the poor.

**From our parish school:** For Lent this year, the GIFT team has decided our school family will once again walk for charity. We have decided we will be donating the money raised to the CAFOD Syria and Turkey Earthquake Appeal. We want to raise awareness of those suffering from the earthquakes and to support those communities who have already been affected by conflict. All classes will walk daily after lunch for ten minutes. This began on Monday 27th February and will last until the end of term. Here is a link to our Just Giving page where you can donate:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/st-mary-s-primary-school-marnhull2023>