

OUR LADY'S MARNHULL AND ST BENEDICT'S GILLINGHAM

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Saints & Feast days: <i>Mon 23rd</i> , St Rose of Lima, St Eugene, St John Wall; <i>Tues</i> , St Bartholomew; <i>Weds</i> , St Louis; <i>Thurs</i> , St David Lewis, Our Lady of Czestochowa; <i>Fri</i> , St Monica; <i>Sat</i> , St Augustine of Hippo; <i>Sun</i> , St John the Baptist.	
Sunday, public Masses: Marnhull 9.30 am. Frances Mowbray ints. Gillingham 11.00 am The parishioners 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 Tanya Tuesday Susan Clayton Weds Gillingham 10.00 am Barbara Woodford. Thurs Marnhull 9.30 am Tony & Mary's friends & relatives. Friday Gillingham 1.00 pm Joan Duggan Saturday Marnhull 12 Noon 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, Bob Horton, Robert Carson, Hilary & Clive Drake, Eileen Chimes and Jeremy Cusden.

The funeral of Mrs Joan Duggan, of Gillingham, will be at St Benedict's on *Friday 27th August* at 1.00.p.m.

The wedding took place on Saturday of Francie and Jerry in Coventry. Congratulations to them and to Francie's family.

Congratulations to Robert and Jan Carson, who celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on *21st August!*

COVID Safety. As outlined in last week's Newsletter, we must still maintain vigilance. Please remember to fill in the track and trace forms and use the hand sanitiser as you enter the *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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church. Last Sunday, we resumed the distribution of Holy Communion at the usual point during Mass. Please follow the direction of the stewards. Thank you to the stewards who are there to make sure that we are all as safe as possible.

Farewell Mass. On *Saturday 28th August*, Father Martin will be celebrating Mass at Our Lady's, Marnhull at 12 noon, for parishioners from both Our Lady's & St Benedict's. Because of the numbers expected and the restricted space, it is asked that you book a place by emailing Steve Carrivick at carrivick79@gmail.com or phone on 07887 988123. There will be no restrictions on numbers to Father's party, in St Mary's School next door, which will follow the Mass, but again, we would like to know how many to expect so we can cater accordingly. Please book a place in the same way. If you know of a parishioner who has not returned to the church since lockdown, please invite them to come.

Due to the large number who have registered to attend, parking may be a problem. If you can car-share, please do so. More than one wheelchair user has registered, so if you need to use the disabled parking facility to drop someone off, please do so then make space for the next disabled user. Thanks for your cooperation.

CAFOD is responding to significant crises across the world this week.

We are working with local Church organisations in Haiti to deliver emergency aid to people affected by the catastrophic earthquake and tropical storm. In the tragic situation in Afghanistan, we are working to ensure the safety of our local partners and their communities. We are supporting local aid workers to deliver urgent food and water supplies to hundreds of thousands of people facing extreme hunger in Tigray in Ethiopia, South Sudan and north-east Nigeria. Read more about how we can all express solidarity with our sisters and brothers affected by these emergencies on the CAFOD website: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news>.

On *Saturday 14 August*, a devastating 7.2 magnitude earthquake struck Haiti. More than 1900 people have been killed and at least one million more people are affected. Tropical storm Grace has now hit Haiti, exacerbating the already serious emergency. CAFOD is working through the local Church organisations, Caritas Haiti, the Jesuit Migrants and Refugees Service, the religious congregations and sister agency Catholic Relief Services to provide urgent humanitarian aid - food, water, tents, hygiene kits and first aid for families affected.

Your compassion, generosity and prayers have helped us to stand together and enable us to continue to support communities in these difficult times.

Please support CAFOD in it's relief work. <https://cafod.org.uk/>

Loving Lord, for those who have died, give them eternal rest. For those who are bereaved, comfort and console them. For those who are hurt, heal and strengthen them.

Lord God, enable us to help our suffering brothers and sisters in whatever way we can. Heavenly Father, be with us now and always. Amen.

DVD. Are you in possession of the "Evangelium" catechesis DVD? If you find it please pass it to Deacon James, many thanks.

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Diocesan Youth Rally. The youth Rally (at St Rita's, Honiton) is open to all young people aged 8-16. It is hoped that parishes will bring groups of young people.

Traditionally parishes have supported groups of young people to attend the event by making a contribution towards travel costs and the entry fee. Please note the date of this event is *26th September* (it has changed from the original date of 19th September).

Contact Deacon Michael , or Saskia on youth@prcdtr.org.uk or 01364 64540. Or Patrick on 01837 851438/ 07880 734088.

Voice of the Churches, the monthly newsletter for Sturminster churches, has been online during the lockdown, but hopes to resume paper format in the New Year. The Churches Together committee are taking the opportunity to review the publication, with a greater sharing of production between the four participating churches, both physically and financially, making it a truly ecumenical venture. There is also the possibility of including some community pages, with space for some advertising. The present editorial team will remain, but a new distribution manager will be needed. *Voice of the Churches* is a valuable tool in making a Christian presence in Sturminster and the surrounding villages: any offers of help will be welcome. Further details from Judith Bennett 01258 471623

Good Counsel Network is one of the organisations active in the pro-life movement. If you look them up, be sure to go to Maria Stops Abortion blogspot where there is a fascinating account of how a major London abortion centre has closed after eleven years of vigil and prayer, which included asking the intercession of Gilbert Keith Chesterton. Well worth a read.

Book Sale 4th/5th September 10am-2 pm in the barnyard of Grafthayes, Nash Lane, Marnhull DT10 1JZ, in aid of Alzheimer's Research UK. Donations welcome, call Charles 01258 821463.

New to this Parish? You are most welcome to our community whether as brand new parishioners or existing ones drifting back to the fold after the imposed separations. Since early on during Covid, parishioners have been encouraged to contribute to the upkeep of the parish and many have thankfully opted to donate via Standing Order as collecting cash was difficult. Whether you are a tax payer or not this is a simple method, and even better for fundraising is the option of Gift Aid from taxpayers. If you would like applications for either or both of these it would be most valuable to the parish. Please contact the Treasurer, Pam Snell via admin@marnhullandgillinghamrc.org.uk or click on Parish Collections on our website. Thank you, Pam.