

OUR LADY'S MARNHULL AND ST BENEDICT'S GILLINGHAM

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THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME. 29TH OCTOBER 2023

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| Day | Place | Time | Celebrating | Intention |
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| Sunday 29th Oct | Marnhull | 9.30 a.m. | THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | |
| | Gillingham | 11.00 a.m. | | |
| | Marnhull | 6 p.m. | | |
| Monday 30th Oct | Marnhull | 9.30 a.m. <i>followed by rosary</i> | | |
| Tuesday | | No Mass | | |
| Wednes- day 1st Nov | Marnhull Gillingham | 9.30 a.m. 11 a.m. | All Saints—Solemnity Holy Day of Obligation | |
| Thursday 2nd Nov | Marnhull Marnhull Gillingham | 9.30 a.m. 12.00 Noon 6 p.m | All Souls Day | |
| Friday 3rd Nov | Gillingham | <i>Adoration, Evening Prayer & Opportunity for Confession 5.00-5.45 p.m. Mass 6 p.m.</i> | | Day of Prayer for Peace in Middle East |
| Saturday 4th Nov | Marnhull | 10 a.m. <i>Mass followed by confessions</i> | | |
| Saturday 4th Nov | Gillingham | 6 p.m. Pierwsza msza niedzielną (Polish Mass) | | |

Please pray for those who are ill: David Paris, Coral Harrow, Betty Walford, Joyce West, Barbara Frost, Tony White, Bob Horton, Hilary & Clive Drake, Jeremy Cusden, Jan Carson, Nigel & Sarah Mackay, Pippa Turnbull

Sunday Readers: Our Lady's 9.30am: Eileen; St Benedict's: Jill; Our Lady's 6pm: Tony Bueno

Month of the Holy Souls



Place in an envelope the names of your deceased Parents, Relative & Friends and all for whom you wish to pray.

There will be a basket near the altar containing the names and Holy Mass will be offered for them throughout the month of November.

If anyone knows anyone who is sick or housebound and would like a visit, please let Fr Joseph or the Deacons know.

Confession: Please ring Fr Joseph on 01258 820388 to arrange an appointment outside of the times listed above.

Our headteacher, Mrs Betts reported that school was able to support The Vale Pantry in Sturminster Newton with our Harvest donations. Mrs Betts, Mrs Myatt and The GIFT team took them to the Vale Pantry, who were very grateful.

School is now supporting them further by collecting donations of winter coats which children have outgrown.

Talk- Faith Food and Story

Jacintha will give a talk on this subject, on 17 November at 2 o'clock, at a private residence, with limited spaces so booking is essential. **For details, please contact Jacintha jacynthabowe@gmail.com**

The presentation takes a brief look at the story of salvation through the lens of food; it is an accessible and interesting talk, which picks out salient aspects of the biblical narrative to show how food played a part in the developing relationship between God and His people. Please do come.

The Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem says "we are living in very difficult and terrible days of violence, hatred, and war. In this moment, we need to be united in prayer first of all".

Pope Francis has called for a day of fasting and prayer around the world for peace. He announced that on the evening of Friday 27th October at 6.00pm (Italy Time) at St Peter's Basilica in Rome an hour of prayer would be held "in the spirit of penance" to implore God "for peace in our days, peace in the world" and has asked churches everywhere and of others of various Christian confessions and those belonging to other religious traditions to join in a similar manner.

To be joined in prayer we will have exposition, Benediction and Evening Prayer starting at 5.00pm on the same day, Friday 27th October in St Benedict's with Mass at 6.00pm

Churches Together Marnhull

Thank you to everyone who helped to make this a most magnificent evening, a real testimony to Christian Solidarity, and it was also fun. We raised £240 for Gillingham food bank, which was wonderful.

It is the turn of **Our Lady's** to host village prayer on Friday, **10 November at 12 o'clock**. Please do come for this 30-minute reflection.

The joint advent service will take place on Sunday, 3rd December at 3.30 at St Gregory's, Marnhull.

Vocations newsletter

The Diocesan vocations team has recently launched a digital newsletter to keep enquirers and the parishes informed about our work, including our vocations events hosted throughout the Diocese. If you would like to find out more and read about some of the young men currently in formation in the Diocese, please subscribe to the mailing list by visiting <https://priesthoodplymouth.co.uk/>

Plymouth Diocesan Newsletter October

<https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t-t-A8BC8FAFD9673A9C2540EF23F30FEDED>

The October Synod Newsletter is now available to read. Please click on the link:

<https://tinyurl.com/53u4s3en>

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day collection

Thank you for your generous support.

Our parish has raised and sent to CAFOD **£950.10** which will help support the needs of the poorest in our worldwide community. Many thanks also to the parishioners who make regular monthly donations which help CAFOD provide long term aid.

Silent, Individually-Guided Advent Retreats

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| Nov 24 th – 26 th (Fri – Sun) | Weekend Retreat |
| Nov 26 th – 1 st Dec (Mon – Fri) | Midweek Retreat |
| Nov 24 th – 1 st Dec (Fri - Fri) | 6-day Retreat |

Venue: **St Rita's Centre Honiton, East Devon**. A well-appointed retreat house with comfortable ensuite accommodation situated in the Vale of Honiton. Cost includes full board & lodging. Recommended donation:

Weekend Retreat £140;
Midweek Retreat £240;
6 – day Retreat £450.

Some of the cost could be offset for individuals who would like to go on a retreat but may have difficulties with the suggested donation. Please contact Plymouth Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group at diocesan-ignatian-retreats@prcdtr.org.uk or phone 01752 769164 or 07823 447637 for further information or booking form.

CHRISTMAS BOXES

The crates are out for kind donations to the Christmas Box Appeal. Please take a list of suggested gifts if you have not yet received one. FSCI have changed their name to 'House of Opportunity', a much easier title! Please go online & check out the marvellous work they do for people living on society's margins in Eastern Europe. They were founded in 1997 as part of the Trussell Trust (Foodbanks etc). We still need empty boxes so feel free to go shoe-shopping!

First Holy Communion Preparation and Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation

There have been several enquiries from parents regarding the preparation of young people for both First Holy Communion and the Sacrament of Confirmation.

If you have a young person you believe is ready to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact either Deacon James, Deacon Mike or Father Joseph and collect and complete an enrolment form which will be at the back of Our Lady's and St Benedict's Church. Forms are also available on the Parish website: <https://www.marnhullandgillinghamrc.org.uk/newsletter> Alternatively, please email the parish office to request a form (marnhull@prcdtr.org.uk). Preparation groups will begin in October, and dates and times will be available nearer the time. **Please complete a form promptly so that we know how many people we have.**