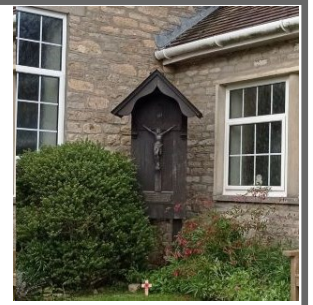




# OUR LADY'S, MARNHULL AND ST BENEDICT'S, GILLINGHAM WELCOME

PARISH PRIEST: FATHER JOSEPH NWIBOKO



**THIRTY-THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

**19TH NOVEMBER 2023**

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**CONFESSION**  
Please ring Fr Joseph on 01258 820388 to arrange an appointment

Day	Place	Time	Celebrating
Sun 19th Nov	Marnhull	9.30am	<b>THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
	Gillingham	11pm	
	Marnhull	6pm	
Mon 20th Nov	Marnhull	9.30am followed by Rosary	
Tues 21st Nov		<b>NO MASS</b>	
Weds 22nd Nov	Gillingham	10am, followed by Rosary	St. Cecilia, Mem
Thurs 23rd Nov	Marnhull	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Fri 24th Nov	Gillingham	Adoration, Evening Prayer & opportunity for confession. 5.00 – 5.45 p.m 6pm: Mass	
Sat 25th Nov	Marnhull	10am Followed by Confession	St. Andrew Dung-Lac

**Sunday Readers**

Our Lady's 9.30am: Mary; St Benedict's: Andrew; Our Lady's 6pm: Gilly

**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

**Safeguarding Sunday 19th November 2023**

Today is Safeguarding Sunday. We will be joining other churches across the UK to highlight the importance of protecting children, young people and adults at risk. This is also an opportunity to celebrate those who work behind the scenes to make our church a safer place for all.

**Sunday 19th November is the World Day of the Poor 2023**

**The theme of the year's the World Day of the Poor 2023: 'Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor'. Tobit 4:7**

For the Church of God, that I may reflect on how poverty is at the very heart of the Gospel.

For all who work with the poorest in our society, encouraged by the God of mercy, may they bring hope and dignity to all in need.

**MASS INTENTIONS THROUGHOUT NOVEMBER FOR ALL THE HOLY SOULS**



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

## CHANGING MASS TIME

As a result of concerns about the limited time available between Sunday Masses it has been decided to permanently move the time of Sunday Morning Mass at Our Lady's Marnhull from 9.30am to: **9 am from Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December onwards**. This will enable a less hurried liturgy at Our Lady's and allows Fr Joseph to meet parishioners before leaving for St Benedict's to celebrate the 11am Mass there. **Please kindly inform family and friends**

## CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal

Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at [cafod.org.uk/ipc](https://cafod.org.uk/ipc) or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers."

## \*WORLD DAY OF THE POOR 2023\*

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*"These words help us to understand the essence of our witness. By reflecting on the Book of Tobit, a little-known text of the Old Testament, yet one that is charming and full of wisdom, we can better appreciate the message the sacred writer wished to communicate"* Pope Francis.

We are invited to celebrate World Day of the Poor on Sunday 19 November and to make every effort at this time to create moments of encounter and friendship, solidary and concrete assistance with those who are poor. Pope Francis' message this year is a clear call to us not to turn our face away from the poor so that God's face will not be turned away from us. The recent Synodal Assembly message to the people of God reminds us that to progress in our discernment, the Church absolutely needs to listen to everyone, starting with the poorest. This requires a path of conversion, which is also a path of praise: "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children" (Luke 10:21).

We are invited at all times, but particularly on this Sunday, to reflect on how we can draw close to those who are poor and bring hope and dignity to all who are in need both at a personal and parish level. You can find more information on the Diocesan website [www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/wdp23/](https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/wdp23/)  
Deborah Fisher, Caritas Manager, Diocese of Plymouth

## Red Wednesday

Mass for Persecuted Christians at 7pm at St. Peter's, Crownhill, on **Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>**, followed by Rosary.

**\*SATURDAY 25TH NOVEMBER, 2023\*** The National Board of Catholic Women invites you to a WEBINAR, organised by the Women in the Church Committee 11.00am- 12.45pm. The Title is "INSPIRING WOMEN Enabling Women to flourish in the Church." The speaker is Professor Tina Beattie. Please contact Jacintha Bowe [jacynthabowe@gmail.com](mailto:jacynthabowe@gmail.com) for zoom link

## \*Christmas Boxes\*



'Whatever you do to the least of my brothers, that you do unto Me.' Blessings on all the kind parishioners who donated such thoughtful, generous gifts, collected & packed. 47 lovely boxes will be delivered soon to bring some Christmas cheer to 47 men, women & children in the poorer areas of Eastern Europe.

## \*Lament and light - A service in response to the 16 days against gender-based violence\*

An ecumenical service is being held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 3pm, at Holy Family Church in Plymouth (Beacon Park Road, Plymouth, PL2 3LR). The service is being held in response to the 16 days of action against gender-based violence (25<sup>th</sup> November – 10<sup>th</sup> December), which is a campaign for the prevention and elimination of violence against women and girls. The service will be led by Fr Mark Skelton and Rev. Lizzi Green. Following the service there will be tea and coffee in the hall.

## \*World Youth Sunday\*

is coming up later this month on **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November**, Feast of Christ the King, a day on which Pope Francis invites the global Church to celebrate and pray for young people. In Lisbon this year, Pope Francis told young people that "Jesus door is always open: Come and See!" This has inspired the theme for World Youth Day celebrations in England and Wales for 2023, and there are several World Youth Day resources **available here**: <https://worldyouthsunday.org/wyd2023>.

## Synod Newsletter - November Edition

Here is the link to read the latest November Synod Newsletter from Fr Paul Keys  
<https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/t-F218D25EC44904892540EF23F30FEDE>

## Silent, Individually-Guided Advent Retreats in November

Nov 24 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> (Fri – Sun)	£140 Weekend Retreat
Nov 26 <sup>th</sup> – 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec (Mon – Fri)	£240 Midweek Retreat
Nov 24 <sup>th</sup> – 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec (Fri - Fri)	£450 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.  
Further details: [diocesanignatianretreats@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:diocesanignatianretreats@prcdtr.org.uk)  
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## Caritas November Newsletter

Here is the link to the latest edition of the Caritas newsletter, <https://tinyurl.com/2apcmj8b>