

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

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## 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10TH OCTOBER 2021

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Day	Place	Time	Saint	Intention
Sunday				
	Marnhull	9.30 a.m.		<i>The people of the parish.</i>
	Gillingham	11.00 a.m.		
	Marnhull	6 p.m.		
Monday	Marnhull	9.30 a.m. followed by Rosary	St. John XXIII, Pope	<i>The Porteous family, living and departed.</i>
Tuesday		No Mass	St. Wilfred	
Wednesday	Gillingham	10.00 a.m. followed by Rosary	St. Edward the Confessor	
Thursday		No Mass	St. Callistus, Pope	
Friday		No Mass	St. Teresa of Avila	
Saturday		No Mass	St. Margaret Mary Alacoque	

Thank you for the collections. The total for September 2021, including standing Orders: **£4,421.07**. Please make cheques payable to "PRCDTR Marnhull RC Parish"

**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, Jeremy Cusden, Pat Edwards Jones and Fr Louis Beesley-Suffolk.

Here are the **October Sweepstake winners:** 1. Michael **Brady** 2. David Minto 3. Hugh Mackay

**Assisted Dying Bill. Fr. Francis writes:** There's still time to write to Peers before they discuss this on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. I had a very courteous and positive reply from Lord Howard. **The All Party Parliamentary Group on Dying Well request that you forward any replies you receive to [naoisegrenham1@myclick.ie](mailto:naoisegrenham1@myclick.ie) so that they are aware of the responses.**

On the website there's a long template letter you can adapt and also a much shorter one composed by me which you're free to use or adapt. More information:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/assisted-dying-bill-2021/>

<https://cruxnow.com/church-in-uk-and-ireland/2021/09/runaway-train-doctors-warn-uk-politicians-against-assisted-dying-bill/>

<https://www.dyingwell.co.uk/> If you would like any help, please do ask me.

### **Prisoners' Sunday and Prisons Week**

*"I was in prison and you came to me."*

The *Second Sunday in October* is Prisoners' Sunday. Today and for the rest of the week we are asked to pray for prisoners, their families and for the victims of crime.

Jesus encouraged us, in Matthew's gospel, to visit the prisoner. If we can't do that, we can support the work of P.A.C.T., The Prison Advice and Care Trust. Please visit their website, <https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/> to see all the work they do, to discover ways to get involved and to make a donation to support their work.

Remember, the victims of crime include the criminal's family, who serve a sentence in a different, but equally stressful way. During COVID our prisoners have been even further isolated from families, and from faith communities.

As you know, our own Deacon Mike works very hard in his Christian ministry to the inmates of HMP Guys Marsh, so please pray for him and talk with him if you would like to know more or offer your help.

Prayer cards are available in the churches; please do take one and say the prayer each day this week.

**Baby Loss Awareness Week.** I'm writing to ask if you would consider commemorating Baby Loss Awareness Week in some way, between 9<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Visit [www.babyloss-awareness.org](http://www.babyloss-awareness.org)

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**Mission Made Possible.** Do you want to be able to share your faith with others but don't know where to start? Do you find it difficult to talk about with your nearest and dearest? Are you afraid you might be asked difficult questions and won't have all the answers? Mission Made Possible will help you with all these things and there are sessions starting near you very soon. To register or for more information please contact a member of the team. [Pippa.worth@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:Pippa.worth@prcdtr.org.uk)  
[Joe.harrison@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:Joe.harrison@prcdtr.org.uk) [Julia.beacroft@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:Julia.beacroft@prcdtr.org.uk) [Michele.thompson@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:Michele.thompson@prcdtr.org.uk) God bless. Fr. Jon Bielawski

**Evangelising for the Shy, the Hesitant and the Incompetent!** – Fr Robbie Lowe, *Thursday October 14<sup>th</sup>. 7pm – 8pm* includes Q&A (via Zoom)

If you are shy, hesitant or even downright incompetent, let's get together and see what simple things we can do to make a difference and bring people to Jesus.

Please register for this FREE event using the following link and you will receive an invitation to join on Zoom  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/evangelising-for-the-shy-the-hesitant-and-the-incompetent-fr-robbie-low-tickets-174116445977>

Do you have any empty **SHOE BOXES**? Amazingly it's time again to fill them up for the poor folk in Eastern Europe. The crates for donations will be out soon in the porches. Please contact Annette at Gillingham.

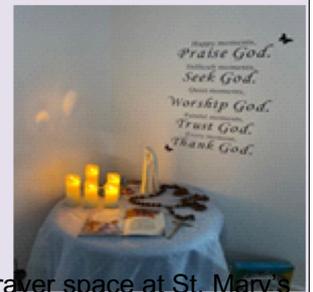
On *Sunday October 17<sup>th</sup>*, lovely **CHRISTMAS CARDS** will be on sale after all Masses, all from our favourite charities.

[www.heavensroadfm.com](http://www.heavensroadfm.com) – just to remind you. An excellent Catholic radio broadcasting 24/7. Has traditional prayers, including Rosary, Angelus and prayers for the sick, plus lots of feature programmes and music. Also has many links on the website to podcasts etc, and about 40 live Masses a day from webcams in UK and Ireland. If anyone has a spare shilling to give away, the Radio is reliant upon donations - a very worthwhile cause. [Donate here](#)

**Sunday Collection.** Please consider donating via Standing Order. 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](mailto:admin@marnhullandgillinghamrc.org.uk) or click on 'Parish Collections' on our website. Thank you, Pam.

## News from our Parish School.

We are the Pupil Chaplaincy group (also known as the GIFT Team), children whose job in school is to help with the prayer and spiritual life of the school. We really enjoyed our first Mass with Father Francis; it was lovely to be back together again in church and it was great seeing some of the parishioners. On *Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October* we collected money for this year's CAFOD Family Fast Day which had an 'eco' theme, something that our school community thinks is very important. The money collected will help those who are working to protect our world, God's creation. As it is the month of the Rosary we are learning to sing and sign the Hail Mary in our Prayer and Praise Liturgy. We have also updated our prayer space to reflect the month of the Rosary. We are planning to use the prayer space more this year and we look forward to helping children pray.  
From Sophie and Jess, Pupil Chaplains



Prayer space at St. Mary's

**Ignatian day of Prayer and Reflection.** *Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October* on Zoom, 11.am – 12.45.pm and 1.45.pm – 3.30.pm . For the link, contact [deaconrogercarrjones@gmail.com](mailto:deaconrogercarrjones@gmail.com)

As **Father Francis** has said that beginning Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> October, (1<sup>st</sup> Friday), not only will he hear confessions at St Benedict's between 5.00 pm and 5.45.pm, and celebrate Holy Mass at 6.pm, but he **will do so every Friday evening unless he is away.**

**There will also be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament between 5 p.m. and 5:15 p.m.**

Additionally Sunday evening Holy Mass at 6.00.pm at Our Lady's will be reinstated from this *Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October onwards.*

The recent arrangements for Holy Rosary will therefore change:

At Our Lady's, to Monday mornings after Mass; and at Gillingham after Wednesday morning Masses. Also, Deacon Mike's

Bishop Mark and the Latin Mass Society will be on pilgrimage in the beautiful church of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs & St. Ignatius, North Road, Chideock, Dorset, on Saturday morning 16th October at 11.30am for Holy Mass in the Extraordinary Form in honour of the Chideock Martyrs. The Mass will be followed by Veneration of the Relics. Bring a packed lunch (tea/coffee provided),

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