

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

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## NINETEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME. 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2022

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Day	Place	Time	Celebrating	Intention
Sunday	Marnhull	9.30 a.m.	<b>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<i>Richard Rowe RIP</i>
	Gillingham	11.00 a.m.		<i>Sylvie Timoney</i>
	Marnhull	6 p.m.		<i>The people of the parish</i>
Monday		<b>No Mass</b>		
Tuesday		No Mass		
Wednesday		<b>No Mass</b>		
Thursday	Marnhull	9.30 a.m.	St. Clare of Assisi	<i>Fr. Francis Capener RIP</i>
Friday	Gillingham	<i>Adoration &amp; opportunity for confession. 5.00 – 5.45 p.m. Mass 6 p.m.</i>	Praying for a Bishop	<i>Sylvia Hurn RIP</i>
Saturday	Marnhull	10 a.m. Mass followed by confessions	Our Lady on Saturday	

**On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week, Fr. Francis has to take part in safeguarding training which is required of all Catholic clergy every two or three years. Regrettably, this means it will not be possible to have Holy Mass in this parish on any of those days.**

The 9.30 a.m. Sunday Choir is taking a well-earned holiday this month and I take this opportunity to thank them for their dedicated service which so enhances our liturgy each week. Thank you, Eileen, Sarah, Paul, and all our choir members! Paul Bowe has kindly offered to continue providing an organ accompaniment for a reduced number of hymns. Fr. Francis

**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

Jacinta Bowe writes about a Marnhull Churches Together event:

### VILLAGE HARVEST SUPPER

### CELEBRATING FARMING AND RURAL LIFE

THURSDAY 29th SEPTEMBER at 6.30pm in the Village Hall

TICKETS £7.00, not £8 as previously stated, £3.50 children - includes a main, pud and a drink; vegetarian option.- Available from the Post Office, the Marnhull Stores, and from local churches.

Why not submit a poem? It should be short, relevant to rural life, autumn or the countryside. Bring it along and it may be read out during the evening.

Thank you to the kind people who have volunteered to make the food. As always, I am humbled by such generosity of spirit. I am sure the evening will be a beautiful celebration of solidarity and praise for God's wonderful Creation, please do come and join us.

News from the Diocesan Youth Service:

The next youth event is Sing from the Heart at Buckfast Abbey, on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September 10-5.00.

All singing abilities are welcome. 10- 3.30 young people will join together to explore a range of hymns, songs and chants with Buckfast Abbey Choirmaster, Matthew Searles. Friends and family are invited to arrive at 3.30 to a mini concert, followed by a BBQ for all.

September 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The Relics of Saint Bernadette of Lourdes will be in Plymouth Cathedral. The schedule is:

#### Friday

1.30 p.m. Liturgy of Welcome  
Then, until 6 p.m., the relics will be available for veneration. A 10 minute animation of the Story of St. Bernadette will play every half hour. Private prayer  
6 p.m. Lourdes Liturgy: Animation, water, candlelit procession.  
8:30 p.m. Night prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Cathedral closes at 10 p.m.

#### Saturday

6 a.m. Cathedral opens  
The relics will be available for veneration. A 10 minute animation of the Story of St. Bernadette will play every half hour. Private prayer  
10.30 a.m. Mass with Anointing

Booking essential: <https://forms.office.com/r/yFfr7n4zmM>  
For further information contact: Saskia, [youth@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:youth@prcdtr.org.uk)

More information: [www.stbernadette.org.uk](http://www.stbernadette.org.uk)

If anyone who has attended the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes and would like to be involved in the Lourdes Liturgy at the Plymouth Cathedral at 6pm on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September, please contact Fr Kieran Kirby on 01392 272815 or email [Kieran.kirby@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:Kieran.kirby@prcdtr.org.uk)

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**Help Your Marriage** – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage.

Tens of thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. The programme helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. It helps them through difficult times whether they are disillusioned or in deep misery. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the next programme commencing with a Virtual weekend on 13 - 16 October 2022 or a Face to Face weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 24 - 26 February 2023, call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 or email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) - or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

From Caritas Plymouth: Season of Creation 2022

The burning bush is the symbol for this year's Season of Creation which runs from 1 September until the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on 4 October. The recent prevalence of wildfires and the hot and dry summer are signs of the devastating effects that climate change is having on the most vulnerable of our planet. Creation cries out as forests burn and people and animals are forced to migrate. However, the fire that called to Moses as he tended the flock on Mount Horeb did not consume or destroy the bush. This flame of the Spirit revealed God's presence. In this Season of Creation, this symbol of God's Spirit calls us to listen to the voice of creation and consider how we can be good stewards of the earth's valuable resources.

You can find materials for prayer and reflection on the Diocesan website. There is also an opportunity for everyone to share ideas about what more we can do care for our common home through an online survey. <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/the-diocese/how-we-work/environment/season-of-creation/>

## Gillingham Foodbank

Dear Church Donor

With the cost of living rising almost daily, it's understandable that we've seen a reduction in donations to our Foodbank but thanks to the incredible generosity of everyone this hasn't been as bad as we expected. Thank you all.

Please, if you're able to continue to support us, **we are desperately short of cartons of UHT milk and fruit juice; tinned tomatoes; pasta sauce; tinned meat and fish; instant potato mash; savoury snacks and sweet treats.** We're currently having to spend lots of money on topping up our stock.

We are open to receive donations 9.30am to midday on Mondays & Thursdays and we'd be very grateful for any food donations you can give us. Thank you! Neil MacBean Project Manager, [Gillingham foodbank](#)

This last account of the three monasteries of women which became members of the English Benedictine Congregation at the recent General Chapter describes Kylemore Abbey which is in Connemara, County Galway, Ireland.

Founded in 1665, the community lived at Ypres. At the request of King James II the nuns moved to Dublin in 1688. However, they returned to Ypres following James's defeat at the Battle of the Boyne in 1690. They remained there until they were bombed out in 1914. In 1920, community took up residence at Kylemore Castle, which was built in 1874 by Mitchell and Margaret Henry.

At Kylemore, the nuns reopened their international boarding school and established a day school for local girls. They also ran a farm and guesthouse; the guesthouse was closed after a devastating fire in 1959. In 2010, the Girl's Boarding School was closed and the nuns have since been developing new education and retreat activities.

The nuns describe their mission in this way: "Prayer is at the very centre of our life and lived according to the Rule of St. Benedict. As a monastic community, we live according to the Benedictine precept "Ora et Labora" – Pray and Work. In our daily work we are engaged in running the organisation and the monastery: housekeeping, gardening, liturgy, artisanal crafts (making soap, candles, chocolate), music teaching, administration, welcoming guests, contacts with visitors and supporters of the community."



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