

OUR LADY'S MARNHULL AND ST BENEDICT'S GILLINGHAM

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5TH WEEK OF EASTER. 15TH MAY, 2022

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Day	Place	Time	Celebrating	Intention
Sunday	Marnhull	9.30 a.m.	Fifth Sunday of Easter	
	Gillingham	11.00 a.m.		<i>Fr. Christopher Delaney RIP</i>
	Marnhull	6 p.m.		<i>The people of the parish</i>
Monday	Marnhull	9.30 a.m. followed by rosary	Eastertide	<i>Fr. Matthew Burns RIP</i>
Tuesday		No Mass		
Wednesday	Gillingham	10 a.m. followed by rosary	Eastertide	<i>Anthony O'Brien RIP</i>
Thursday	Marnhull	10 a.m.	St. Dunstan	
Friday	Gillingham	<i>Adoration & opportunity for confession. 5.00 – 5.45 p.m. Mass 6 p.m.</i>	St. Bernardine of Siena	<i>Tony Harrison RIP</i>
Saturday	Marnhull	10 a.m. Mass followed by confessions	Eastertide	

Please note: Mass at Our Lady's on Thursday will begin at the later time of 10 a.m. as this will be more convenient for those who wish to stay for the May Procession at 11 a.m.

Please pray for those who are ill: David Paris, Brendan Colahan, Coral Harrow, Betty Walford, Joyce West, Sarah Mackay, Barbara Frost, Tony Timoney-White, Bob Horton, Robert Carson, Hilary & Clive Drake, Eileen Chimes, Jeremy Cusden

Second Collections

When lockdown happened, the Bishops suspended all 'second collections' – the collections for charities which take place periodically in addition to the normal Sunday collection for parish funds. It is now possible to reintroduce these and so it may be timely to explain Fr. Francis' policy on second collections. Very many requests are received to hold second collections. So that parishioners are not inundated with calls on their generosity, only those collections which are mandated by the Diocese or the Bishops' Conference, together with CAFOD Lent and Harvest Fast Days, the Annual Mission Appeal, and two charities of particular relevance to this parish, namely "Let the Children Live" and "PACT", will take place. Other requests are mentioned in the newsletter so that any who wish to contribute can do so through the charity's website.

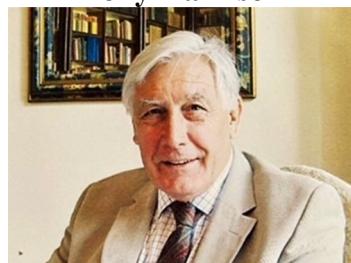
The "second collections" which will take place during the rest of this year are:

22 nd May	PACT
29 th May	World Communications Sunday
19 th June	Day for Life
26 th June	Peter's Pence
10 th July	Apostleship of the Sea
28 th August	Plymouth Catholic Children's Society
18 th September	Home Mission Sunday
9 th October	CAFOD Harvest Fast Day
23 rd October	World Mission Sunday

PACT is the Prisoners' Advice and Care Trust, so it seems right for our parish, which through Deacon Mike and others, cares for the pastoral needs of prisoners in HMP Guys Marsh, to give financial support to PACT's provision of life changing services at every stage of the criminal justice process: in court, in prison, on release, and in the community. For more information about their work, see <https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/>

A second collection will be taken for PACT on Sunday 22nd May. Electronic bank transfers to the parish account quoting PACT in the narrative would also be acceptable. The parish bank account details are available here: <https://www.marnhullandgillinghamrc.org.uk/newsletter> Scroll down to the paragraph at the bottom of the page entitled Parish Collections.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Tony Harrison**



who died on 11th May, 2022
after a long illness

Before he became too ill, Tony attended the 6 p.m. Sunday Mass at Our Lady's.
His funeral Mass will probably be on Monday 23rd May at 11:30 a.m. in Our Lady's.
Please speak to Fr. Francis to confirm this next week.

To help us to save the world's resources and have parish funds available for mission, please consider signing up to receive these newsletters by email or accessing them through the parish website at <https://www.marnhullandgillinghamrc.org.uk/newsletter> rather than taking a printed copy. This will reduce our use of paper and ink, so contributing to our efforts to follow the Pope's exhortations in Laudato Si.

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The annual May Procession will take place at 11 a.m. this coming Thursday, 19th May in the grounds of our parish school in Marnhull. Please do come along and take part if you possibly can. It's a lovely way to honour our Blessed Mother Mary in this, her month, and to support the children and staff of our school in their faith. Please come and add your voice to theirs as we sing the praises of Our Lady.



The Bishops of England and Wales decided at their Spring plenary meeting that it is time to reintroduce the obligation on all Catholics to attend Holy Mass on Sundays. Here is an extract of the letter they have written explaining what this means. The whole letter can be accessed on the parish website.

"We believe that the reasons which have prevented Catholics from attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation no longer apply.

We understand there will still be some members of our congregations who, for reasons of health, do not feel safe enough to return to Mass. It has always been the understanding of the Church that when the freedom of any Catholic to attend Mass in person is impeded for a serious reason, because of situations such as ill health, care for the sick or legitimate fear, this is not a breach of the Sunday Obligation.

Our Catholic people and parishes have benefitted during these difficult times from the online streaming of Mass and other services. "Virtual viewing" of Mass online does not fulfil the Sunday Obligation. It may, however, be a source of continual spiritual comfort to those who cannot attend Mass in person, for example those who are elderly and sick, for whom the obligation does not apply."

Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth)

Forthcoming events:

Great Big Diocesan Quiz – Friday, 1 July 2022

We're looking for parishes to join us on **Friday, 1 July 2022 at 7.30pm** and we would love to make this our biggest quiz ever. The last quiz in 2019 saw **9 teams** including one school compete for the trophy, which was won on the night by Heretics from Blessed Sacrament and **almost £1500** was raised.

All you need is a quiz master and a venue to host your parish quiz and then ask for teams to come forward to compete against each other in your parish on the night and against all the other parishes. If you would like to register an interest to take part or would like to discuss the quiz in more detail, please email vicki.dunstone@prcdtr.org.uk - all materials will be supplied by CCSP – you just need to find a venue, a quiz master and some teams to compete. **Good luck !**

2022 Annual Appeal – Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 August

The theme of our CCSP Annual Appeal this year is '**Extend a Hand: Give Hope**'. Packs will be sent to all parishes soon and we hope that even more parishes will be able to support this year's annual appeal as 30 parishes helped to raise over £17,000 in 2021.

We have just received £875.90 in Gift Aid from last year's donations so it's wonderful if supporters are able to tick the Gift Aid box if you can, as this money alone can help an extra 5 families through our Essential Grants programme.

From November 2022, packs of Christmas cards will be on sale slightly earlier this year following feedback received last year.

Pauline Jaricot, foundress in 1822 of what became the Association for the Propagation of the Faith, is to be beatified on Sunday 22nd of May. In 1922 the APF became the Church's official (Pontifical) organisation for supporting the missions internationally. The familiar Red Boxes in England & Wales were begun by the Mill Hill Missionaries to continue this work and are to be found in most parishes

Please take a leaflet about Pauline from the porches and God bless the generous supporters in our own parish.

Take a box if you can; please let Pam Snell or Annette Lyons know if you do. Thankyou!



Plymouth Diocese Catechetical Camps 2022

This year our intention is to return the Camps to the pre-Covid format, meeting at Grangehurst, at Buckfast Abbey, for the Junior and Senior Camps, and St Rita's in Honiton for the St Petroc's Camp. (Camp fee £210)

Junior Camp	7 th – 12 th August	Years 3-6
Senior Camp	31 st July – 5 th August	Years 7-10
St. Petroc's Camp	31 st July – 5 th August	Years 11-12

We are also looking for volunteers to help run the camps; young adult upwards. In addition, we are looking for people with the appropriate skills to serve as treasurer, administrator and catechist on the camps committee. For more information, please contact Deacon Mike Turnbull, michael.turnbull@prcdtr.org.uk

The Called and Gifted discernment process is designed to help you learn what the spiritual gifts are and prayerfully discern which gifts the Holy Spirit has given you for the glory of God and the benefit of others.

Over 2000 people across the UK have experienced the Called and Gifted discernment process and, for many, it has led to a more active and fulfilling life. Please visit the Called and Gifted website to see examples of testimonies from previous participants, including an inspiring video testimony by a priest from Leeds Diocese who has

CALLED & GIFTED experienced Called and Gifted himself and seen the difference it has made in his parish after inviting parishioners to discern their spiritual gifts: <https://www.calledandgifted.org.uk/>

Caritas Plymouth and CAFOD invite you to an online event, from 5 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday 24th May, to reflect on our Diocesan Environment Policy, Please register at:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=KidbqQHRkEKiqby9p4Zaca73jzxqOQNHSGHGCFRchfhUNFNKQ09UTjhWWIVVQ0ZFUTNKTlpTRTBQWSQIQCNOPWcu>

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