

OUR LADY'S MARNHULL AND ST BENEDICT'S GILLINGHAM

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<u>Sunday, public Masses in bold:</u> Marnhull 9.30 am. Gillingham 11.00 am <u>Weekdays, with Saints & Feast days:</u> Mon Marnhull 9.30.am St Vincent de Paul Tues (no public Mass) St Wenceslaus PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE AND TIME FOR THE NEXT TWO DAYS: Weds Marnhull with the school. 09.30.am Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels Thurs Gillingham 10.00.am St Jerome Fri Gillingham 6.00.pm St Therese of Lisieux (1st Friday) Confession before 5.15 - 5.45 pm Sat Marnhull 10.00.am The Holy Guardian Angels <i>Confessions: Marnhull, after Mass on Saturday morning; Gillingham, Friday before Mass 5.15 pm</i>	<u>Mass intention:</u>
Offertory baskets are NOT passed around, to avoid infection, but will be available inside the church doors at all Masses.	Cheques to be made 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.

Holy Mass with the parish school on Wednesday

May I encourage everyone who can to attend Mass at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday at Marnhull with our parish school. I feel sure it will be a very enjoyable liturgy and your presence will encourage the children and their staff. It's an important form of evangelization to let the children see adults who take their faith seriously and spend time with God in prayer. Your presence will also show that staff that we value their work and regard the school as an important part of our parish life.

Assisted Dying Bill. Fr. Francis writes: I hope you have had the opportunity to read the letter from Bishop Sherrington. The letter and other resources can be found at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/assisted-dying-bill-2021/>

There is also this article, '[Runaway train': Doctors warn UK politicians against Assisted Dying Bill | CruX Now](#). on evidence given to the All Party Parliamentary Group for Dying Well, and other resources at that group's own website, <https://www.dyingwell.co.uk/>

I have now received a list of Peers whom the group suggest we might choose from to write to. I will leave some in Our Lady's and some in St. Benedict's. Please select one and cross it off the list so that others know it has been taken.

A template of a letter is provided at [Get involved | Dying Well APPG](#). I will leave copies in each church for you to take away and adapt. Alternatively, you could simply write and ask the Peer to oppose the Bill because you believe assisted dying is morally wrong.

If you would like any help, please do ask me.

Bible Timeline course, so enjoyed by several parishioners the last time it was run, online, after Easter last year, will be repeated each Wednesday evening, from 29th September, from 7.00.pm till 8.40.pm. until 17th November. This course is free, but please register at www.comeandsee.org Heartily recommended by Mary & Tony Moore, Heather Johnson and Andrew Donaldson. 'Bible unravelled!'

Our Lady's Marnhull: We need to reinstate a regular clean of our church probably once a fortnight. Many thanks to the good souls who did what they could during lockdown.

With last week's reading from St James about 'good works' ringing in our ears could we think of lending a hand with church cleaning? We have lost several valued members of the team there may be more who are unable to continue. Please contact: Eileen O'Hare on 01963 364079 or e.ohare29@btinternet.com

Welcome newcomers and visitors. You can find out more about our parish on our website – address at top of this page.

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Parish Rosary In 16th century, at the request of Pope Pius V, the Christian world prayed the rosary to save it from invasion by the Turks. The deciding battle of Lepanto, fought at sea in October 1571, was won by the Christian fleet. Since that time, October has been a month dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary (feast 7th October).

Our present world is being invaded and eroded day by day, by secularism, humanism and egoism. The most immediate threat is the multi-pronged attack on the sanctity of life. It is time to turn again to our Blessed Lady in the Rosary to intercede for us on the issues of the sanctity of life: the horrors of abortion, and the attempt by a vociferous few to legalise assisted suicide.

Therefore in our parish we will commit to pray the rosary from many angles: in our two churches in October on Friday evenings at 6.00pm; On Zoom online at 6.00pm each October Friday, led by Deacon Michael, (technical help may be available); for those without other means, a pledge to pray the Rosary at 6pm on October Fridays, from wherever you may be at the time.

We are also arranging to pray an open air Rosary in Sturminster Newton during this month.

Diocesan Youth Rally. The youth Rally (at St Rita's, Honiton) is open to all young people aged 8-16. It is hoped that parishes will bring groups of young people. Traditionally parishes have supported groups of young people to attend the event by making a contribution towards travel costs and the entry fee. Please note the date of this event is TODAY 26th September (it has changed from the original date of 19th September). Contact Deacon Michael, or Saskia on youth@prcdtr.org.uk or 01364 64540. Or Patrick on 01837 851438/ 07880 734088.

After a successful on-line "Virtual" Camp this summer we're delighted to announce that **Senior Camp for youngsters** in Years 7-11 is taking place this *October 24-27* in Grangehurst at Buckfast Abbey.

Cost: £120. To apply, simply follow the QR code in the poster, attached.

Applications close *8th October*. Enquiries to seniorcamp@prcdtr.org.uk Look forward to seeing you there. Please share! Deacon Michael

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 Joe.harrison@prcdtr.org.uk Julia.beacroft@prcdtr.org.uk Michele.thompson@prcdtr.org.uk

God bless. Fr. Jon Bielawski

Evangelising for the Shy, the Hesitant and the Incompetent! – Fr Robbie Lowe, *Thursday October 14th. 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>

CAFOD Update: Friday 01 October - Harvest -Family Fast Day

This Harvest talk is about the climate crisis and the impact on many communities around the world.

CAFOD Fast Day envelopes will be distributed at masses this *Sunday 26 September*.

This Family Fast Day, on *Friday 1 October*, you can support people around the world who are dedicating their lives to protecting God's creation. Further information available online at: cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis
What action are we going to take?

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 or click on Parish Collections on our website.
Thank you, Pam.