

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

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## TWENTY-EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME. 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER, 2022

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Day	Place	Time	Celebrating	Intention
Sunday	Marnhull	9.30 a.m.	<b>Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
	Gillingham	11.00 a.m.		
	Marnhull	6 p.m.		
Monday		9.30 a.m. followed by rosary	For the appointment of a Bishop	<i>Dicastery for Bishops</i>
Tuesday - Saturday		<b>No Mass</b>		

**Once again, Fr. Francis will be away for much of next week, so weekday Masses will be limited as above.**

*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*



Please pray for the repose  
of the soul of

**Judith Bennett**

a parishioner who lived in  
Sturminster Newton,  
who died on  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October.  
*May she rest in peace.*

### CAFOD Family Fast Day – Friday 7th October.

**Millions of people are starving in East Africa.**

Your donations can help CAFOD's local experts to provide emergency food supplies to families in the worst affected countries in East Africa and support communities around the world working hard to put food on the table.

**There will be a Second Collection at Sunday Masses this week.** Use the Gift Aid envelope or

go to [cafod.org.uk/fastday](http://cafod.org.uk/fastday)

Below is a link to a short You Tube message from CAFOD Director Christine Allen in East Africa. <https://youtu.be/2kaW-AXzggE>



### PRISONS WEEK. 9<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2022

It's hard to be thankful when life feels hopeless, lonely or unfair. In saying 'thank you' for the small things, we realise they are often the big things – the new day that brings another chance, family, friends, the air we breathe, shelter, food, the kindness of a stranger, even the loyalty of a pet. This year's Gospel reading for Prisons Sunday shows us the far-reaching impact of thankfulness. From a harsh, hopeless place on the edge of society, the lepers cry out in pain and despair. God answers their prayer through Jesus, travelling and working in that hostile place. The Samaritan who returns to thank Jesus finds an even deeper, everlasting spiritual freedom, amazed by the power and willingness of Christ to make him fully whole – his joy and thanks come straight from the heart.

Pray with us each day in Prisons Week as we journey this year through hostility, stigma and despair to move towards hope with thankful hearts for all that is possible. We make our faith journey with Christ at our side, giving thanks to God, always and everywhere. Sheets of prayers for each day of Prisons Week are sent with this newsletter by email and available in printed form in each church. This video shows how Prison Fellowship works with prisoners:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mCUmoYCKpgQ>

PACT, the Prison Advice and Care Trust, is the Catholic charity that supports prisoners, people with convictions, and their children and families. We provide caring and life changing services at every stage of the criminal justice process: in court, in prison, on release, and in the community.



Our President Cardinal Vincent Nichols says, 'This work is a direct expression of our discipleship and a very concrete expression of our desire to serve the Lord in those who are most vulnerable.'

Discover more about the work of PACT here: <https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/>

There will be a Second Collection to support the work of PACT on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

Congratulations to  
the winners of this  
month's parish  
sweepstake draw:

Isabelle Chichester  
wins £40, Tony  
Moore wins £30  
and Vanessa  
Elliott-Smith wins  
£20

### Churches Together in Marnhull

3pm, Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> October at St Gregory's church. Village commemoration service marking the death of her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Everyone is welcome. Our Lady's choir has been invited to sing a beautifully specially composed piece which celebrates the remarkable life of our wonderful late Queen.

**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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## News from our parish school:

### Reception September 2023 – Open Days

If you know of anyone who is looking for a place for their child in September 2023, please let them know about our open days...

With the deadline approaching for new parents to make choices on a school for their four year olds, we will be having some open mornings from 9:30 on **10th October, 17th October** 2022 in addition to an 'open door' policy at school. Any prospective parents are welcome to call the school on 01258 820417 to organise a tour or just pop into the school office and ask to take a look around.

We also have spaces in preschool. We find that children who attend our preschool setting make a smooth transition into Reception, since they are familiar with the environment.



### A SAVE THE DATE!

STAY AWAKE 2023: Saturday 11th March @ All Saints Church of England Academy, Wyke, Weymouth. Tickets released: 1st December! (A Family Catholic Christian conference for all ages – more later but save the date!)



Do you have any empty shoe boxes? It will be collecting time again very soon for the poorer people in Eastern Europe. Crates will be in the porches for Christmas gifts with posters detailing suggestions. Thankyou. Last year we filled over 30 boxes!

Fr. John Rice and Fr. Guy de Gaynesford will be leading a ten day pilgrimage to the Holy Land from **9th - 18th May** next year. The cost is £1,389 per person.

For further details Tel. 01793 881166 / 07515 819700

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 12th October 2022. £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes return flight, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement £100.00. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com).

### World Mental Health Day – 10th October 2022

Monday 10th October is the annual World Mental Health Day. This year's theme is, 'Make mental health and wellbeing for all a global priority'.

Mental health problems exist in our lives, families, workplaces and communities, impacting everyone. Stigma and discrimination continue to be a barrier to social inclusion and access to the right care. Our society should offer everyone the same chance to enjoy good mental health. It is important that we promote and protect mental wellbeing as much as physical wellbeing; we need to make sure everyone has access to the support they need to come to good mental health.

We can all do our part to raise awareness of the preventative mental health measures that are most effective, and World Mental Health Day is a chance for us to do so together.

World Mental Health Day also provides an opportunity to bring mental health out of the shadows by discussing it openly, so that no-one feels alone or unsupported as they strive for good mental health.

We take this opportunity to appeal: If you need help or support with your mental health, or are worried about someone else, please contact the Plymouth Diocese Safeguarding Office on 01364 645430. We are open Monday to Friday between 9am and 5pm.

You can also contact the mental health charity Mind. They provide advice and support to empower anyone who is experiencing mental health

### From the Diocesan Youth Service:

#### Ever thought about how chocolate is made? Fancy making chocolate from scratch?

Join other youth (10 – 17 year olds) on **Saturday 15th October** at Star of the Sea Parish hall, **Weymouth, 9.30 – 3.30** to explore how chocolate is made and a chance to make your own. You will also think about the fair trade of products such as chocolate and create your own packaging. To book:

<https://forms.office.com/r/qw6pwhEAUc> For further information see the booking form or contact Saskia: [youth@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:youth@prcdtr.org.uk)

### OUR SYNODAL JOURNEY

As part of our on-going Synodal journey, the Office for Evangelisation and Catechesis invites you to the following talks.

Saturday 29th October

11.00am Entering the Decision-Making Process of the Church  
1.30pm Interpreting the Word of God for our time

Saturday 26th November

11.00am The work of the Holy Spirit in the Church Today  
1.30pm Deaconesses in the Catholic Church

The talks will take place at St Peter's Catholic Church, Crownhill, Plymouth, PL5 3AX.

For those attending the day there will be 10.30am Refreshments and 12.15pm Lunch break.

There is also Mass at 9.30am for those who wish.

To request a Zoom link please email:

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