



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

WELCOME

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31ST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

3RD NOVEMBER 2024

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Day	Place	Time	Celebrating
Sun 3rd Nov	Marnhull	9am Holy Mass	THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	Gillingham	11am Holy Mass	
	Marnhull	6pm Holy Mass	
Mon 4th Nov	Marnhull	9.30am Holy Mass, followed by the Rosary	St Charles Borromeo Bp Memorial
Tues 5th Nov		No Mass	
Weds 6th Nov	Gillingham	10am Morning Prayer & Rosary NO MASS	
Thurs 7th Nov	Marnhull	9.30am Holy Mass, followed by Adoration	
Fri 8th Nov	Gillingham	5pm Confession, Exposition, Evening Prayer 6pm Holy Mass	
Sat 9th Nov	Marnhull	NO MASS	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Feast

Please pray for those who are ill
 David Paris, Coral Harrow, Betty Walford, Joyce West, Barbara Frost, Tony White, Bob Horton, Hilary & Clive Drake, Jan Carson, Nigel & Sarah Mackay, Brian White, John Graham, Jane Raw.

Mass Intention on Monday 4th November at 9.30am
Bernadette Devine Bastable RiP

Sunday Readers: Our Lady's 9am: Michael Hoy; St Benedict's: Jill;
 Our Lady's 6pm: June.



Month of the Holy Souls

Throughout November, we pray for all the souls of the Faithful Departed.

Envelopes are provided at the back of each Church for you to place the names of your deceased Parents, Relatives, Friends and all for whom you wish to pray.

Please return them to the basket provided.



Remembrance Sunday falls on 10th November - there will be a minute's silence in both churches.

Confession: Please ring Fr Cletus on 01258 820388 to arrange an appointment outside of the times listed above

If anyone knows anyone who is sick or housebound and would like a visit, please let Fr Cletus or the Deacons know.

Oppose Assisted Suicide

The Bishops' Conference of England & Wales is calling on all Catholics to unite in prayer and compassionate action to oppose assisted suicide. On Friday, 29 November, the House of Commons will hear the Second Reading of a bill on assisted suicide tabled by Labour MP Kim Leadbeater. **The charity *Right to Life UK* has a simple online mechanism to ask your MP to stop assisted suicide being rushed into law. Click here to: [contact your MP](#)**

Watch actor and disability rights advocate Liz Carr's BBC documentary on assisted suicide, *Better Off Dead?* where she examines the impact of one of the world's most extreme assisted suicide laws in Canada.

Watch for free online (you do not need a TV licence): [righttolife.org.uk/betteroffdead](https://www.righttolife.org.uk/betteroffdead)

****New** Christmas Cards will be on sale after Mass on Sunday**

Music Practice at St Benedict's Church, Gillingham

"There is a practice of the hymns and music for Sunday Mass held at St Benedict's Church, **every Saturday evening at 5pm. Please come and join us to support the singing.** Deacon Mike."

****New** Churches Together: Village Prayer**

It is the turn of Our Lady's to host this on **Friday 8th November at 12 o'clock.** Please do come and join us for this wonderful witness of our shared solidarity in the Body of Christ.

****New** Monday 25th November - 'Lament and Light' ecumenical service for the 16 days of activism against gender-based violence**

An ecumenical service will be held on Monday 25th November at 2pm, at St Mary's Church in Plympton (Market Road, Plympton, Plymouth, PL7 1QW). The service is being held to mark the 16 days of activism against gender-based violence (25th November – 10th December), which is a campaign for the prevention and elimination of violence against women and girls. Fr Mark Skelton and Rev Lizzi Green will lead the service. Refreshments will be available afterwards.

****New** New Church Update**

We have now finally been able to agree to appoint a local contractor from three who applied to begin on phase one of the conversion of the building. This will see work commencing in January with completion expected by the Summer and will include repairs where necessary, the new presbytery, parish office, vestry and ancillary rooms. All will be done to the highest standards of insulation and environmental protection, and we will be making good use of solar power.

Phase two will involve the church, sanctuary, narthex, confessional, baptistry, and sacristy, all designs of which are 95% complete. They will need approval by Bishop-Elect Philip before we can go out to tender. We already have expressions of interest from a number of firms. At this stage it looks as though we will have completed the works by summer 2025 at which point we will be able to move in for Mass.

****New** Install of Bishop-Elect Philip Moger**

Installation of Bishop-elect Philip Moger: 1pm Saturday 9th November With great joy and gratitude, we look ahead to the upcoming Episcopal Installation of our new Bishop, Philip Moger. Both the Solemn Vespers and the Ordination Mass and Installation will be live-streamed so please visit the Cathedral website:

[https:// www.plymouthcathedral.co.uk](https://www.plymouthcathedral.co.uk) or use the link below The installation takes place at 1.00pm and will be shared live via YouTube.

Use this link: <https://www.youtube.com/@PlymouthDioceseRC>

****NEW** WORLD DAY OF THE POOR SUNDAY 17TH NOVEMBER**

The Eighth world day of the Poor is on Sunday 17 November. In his message for this World Day of the Poor, the Holy Father reiterates that "the poor hold a privileged place in God's heart" and invites everyone to learn to pray for the poor and to pray together with the poor, with humility and trust. We know that poverty is a significant issue both in the UK and globally. In the week running up to World Day of the Poor, we are all encouraged to pray, reflect and engage in concrete actions against poverty by deepening our encounter with the poor in our communities and considering how we can respond to their needs. We can all take small actions that together make a big difference

****NEW** Youth Accompaniment Training**

We are pleased to announce that there will be a training session for volunteers that work (or would like to) with Youth on Accompaniment. Accompaniment training for Youth volunteers; Saturday 16th November 10 – 16.00, St Rita's Honiton. All those who currently work with Youth in their parish (or further afield within the diocese) or would like to, are welcome to attend training in Accompaniment. Accompaniment is an important part of the Youth Events Mission where we accompany young people through the transition from childhood faith to take ownership of their own spiritual journey. The day will be led by Clare Simpson from the diocese and will give volunteers a chance to meet others from across the diocese to exchange ideas and share thoughts on their mission. Click the link to book a place:

<https://forms.office.com/e/iwHfw2dfN>

For further information contact Saskia: youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Ignatian silent and individually guided retreats available locally in the Plymouth Diocese for Advent 2024 f

For those who would like to step back from everyday life for a little while to review their journey in faith and make a little extra space and time for God.

Dec 6th-8th (Fri – Sun) Weekend Retreat (£160)

Dec 6th -10th (Fri – Tues) Extended W/E Retreat (£280)

Dec 9th-13th Dec (Mon – Fri) Midweek Retreat (£275)

Dec 6th- 13th Dec (Fri - Fri) 6-day retreat (£475)

Venue: St Rita's Centre Honiton, East Devon, a well-appointed retreat house with comfortable ensuite accommodation situated in the Vale of Honiton. Cost includes full board & lodging, but help is available for those who would like to go on retreat but have difficulties with the recommended donations. For further details and bookings contact Plymouth Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group at diocesan-ignatian-retreats@prcdtr.org.uk or phone 01752 769164 or 07823 447637