OUR LADY'S MARNHULL AND ST BENEDICT'S GILLINGHAM

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THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME. 23RD OCTOBER, 2022

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Day	Place	Time	Celebrating	Intention
Sunday	Marnhull	9.30 a.m.	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Cyril Bastable RIP
	Gillingham	11.00 a.m.		The people of the parish
	Marnhull	6 p.m.		
Monday		9.30 a.m.	For a Bishop	The Dicastery for Bishops
Tuesday		No Mass		
Wednesday		10 a.m. followed by rosary	Feria	
Thursday	Marnhull	No Mass		
Friday	Gillingham	Adoration & opportunity for confession. 5.00 – 5.45 p.m. Mass 6 p.m.	Saints Simon and Jude	The monks of Buckfast Abbey
Saturday	Marnhull	10 a.m. Mass followed by confessions	Our Lady on Saturday	Fr. Kieran Kirby

Please note that there will not be Mass on Tuesday or Thursday this week

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

Judith Bennett's

Requiem Mass will begin at 11 a.m. on Monday 14th November in Our Lady's.





World Mission Sunday, 23rd October, 2022

This is marked in every Catholic parish throughout the world. Through prayer and gifts, it supports missionaries who work alongside communities which are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. Donations go to *Missio*, which is the Pope's charity for world mission to build much-needed infrastructure, from chapels and schools to orphanages, clinics and dispensaries. Requested by the local community, the support from Missio transforms lives and creates a hub from which the young Church can flourish and grow.

Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can to this very important collection which helps to sustain the future of our Church. There will be a **Second Collection** at each of the Sunday Masses. Please gift aid if you can, using one of the Missio envelopes provided. You can also visit www.missio.org.uk or call 020 7821 9755 to find out more about its work, to make a donation or set up a direct debit.

Gillingham Methodist Church

By happenstance, design, or Divine Providence, there was a very good attendance at each of the Masses last Sunday, so the Straw Poll which I conducted provides a meaningful indication of the views of many parishioners. 89% of the votes were in favour of continuing our dialogue with the Methodist Society in Gillingham and working up a proposal to present to the Diocese to purchase their church, if terms can be agreed and if it looks feasible financially in the medium term.

I want to look after those who indicated they are against this proposal: I would like to encourage you to meet with me one-to-one over the next few weeks so that your insights inform the development of the proposal and so that, perhaps, I can allay your fears. I know that there are concerns about financial viability and about whether the move would enhance the devotional life and the sense of community in the parish.

From the beginning, this has been a discernment of the will of the Holy Spirit. There is now a clear sense that most people in the parish believe we should move to the Methodist Church if possible, but that discernment continues. While I will whole-heartedly work to bring about this move, I will continue to listen to those who think otherwise with respect and a determination to learn from them. I will not try to make them change their mind. I fervently encourage everyone in the parish to approach any conversation on this subject in the same spirit.

Fr. Francis

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News from our parish school:

Well done to our GIFT team who organised our Harvest collection for both Blandford and Gillingham Food banks. They decided to collect boxes of cereal as they felt that giving people the opportunity to start the day with a nourishing breakfast would be a good way to support others. We collected 60 boxes of cereal!

Crates are in the porches for your kind Christmas Shoe Box gifts plus posters listing suggestions and flyers to take as a reminder. Do go online to see the happiness of recipients: FSCI - Foundation for Social Change & Inclusion. Do you have any pretty ladies' brooches/necklaces you could spare or playing cards? Toothbrushes & paste especially needed & bags of sweets. Thank you for all the gifts so far & the empty boxes.



Apply for the CARE Leadership Programme 2023-24.

CARE (Christian Action Research & Education) brings a uniquely Christian insight to the policies and laws that affect our lives. We believe in a better story for our society and culture, one where the life of every human being, from conception to natural end, is respected and upheld.

Over forty years our work has included standing up for the value of life, to influencing new laws to safeguard child trafficking victims and championing support for the vulnerable.



The year-long Leadership Programme gives graduates the opportunity to work for a Parliamentarian, or with an NGO, for four days a week. Alongside this, we run an intensive study programme for one day a week, as well as termly residentials, covering theology, political theory, ethics and leadership skills.

Visit <u>www.care.org.uk</u> to download the application form.

Application deadline: 18th November 2022 at 5 p.m. Selection day in central London: 7th December, 2022. New Programme starts: 4th September 2023

SVP Membership Support Officer for the Plymouth Diocese

The St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) in the Plymouth diocese is looking to appoint a Membership Support Office (MSO) to support the work of the Plymouth Central Council (CC).

The SVP mission is to actively seek out those in need and offer whatever support it can. The MSO will be integral in helping the pursuit of this mission. Working directly with and for the CC, the MSO will be engaged in membership recruitment, training and development, working directly with members and other organisations to promote the society, organising events to enhance member experience and providing the personal link between members in the Plymouth diocese and national office. The post is 15 hours per week, home based and working as part of national team of MSOs.

If you are interested in the post and would like further details please use the link or contact Lance Philpott, Head of Membership at lancep@svp.org.uk Work with us | St Vincent de Paul Society (svp.org.uk)

Closing date for CVs = 6th November 2022

Deadline for Completed Application Forms = 10th November 2022

Would you like to support the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) and save yourself a trip to the shops to purchase your Christmas cards this year? CCSP have packs of Christmas cards available from our last two Design a Christmas Card competitions held over the last few years.

Each pack of 12 cards costs £5. Postage for 1, 2 or 3 packs is £1. Postage is free if you order 4 or more packs.

Please send your order together with your cheque made payable to the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) to St Boniface House, Ashburton, Devon, TQ13 7JL.

World Day of the Poor Caritas Event – Saturday 12th November 10.30-15.00 at St Mary's, Poole

All are welcome to this free event hosted by Caritas Plymouth to bring people together to reflect on Pope Francis's message for the 6th World Day of the Poor and how we are called to respond.

Lunch will be provided and there is an opportunity to attend Mass at 10.00. Places are limited so booking is advised. You can book by filling in this form https://forms.office.com/r/Bz1HuDnbjX or emailing caritas@prcdtr.org.uk or telephoning 01364 645440.

The National Board of Catholic Women is holding its conference at Ushaw in Durham from Friday 25th November to Sunday 27th November. The cost is free, but the Board would welcome donations. Entitled Women on the Periphery, the speakers, some from Rome and the Lebanon as well as many others, explore Womens' voices in the Catholic Church from their different roles and perspectives. Further information and booking form, please email Jacintha jacinthabowe@gmail.com

Zoom Lecture to be given by Dr. Carmody Grey of Durham University Centre for Catholic studies on 25^{th} of October 7.30-9.30. The lecture is entitled: Living in a Time of Crisis: Christianity and the Ecological Catastrophe. For further details please contact Jacintha.

Roman Catholic Chaplain – HMP Portland Full time salary: £27,697 - £31,176

HMP Portland is looking for a qualified lay person who is endorsed by the Catholic Church to work as a Catholic Chaplain (full time/part time). Closing date for applications – Wednesday 26 October 2022. Further details can be obtained online: https://justicejobs.tal.net/vx/mobile-0/appcentre-1/brand-13/candidate/so/pm/1/pl/3/opp/62154-62154-Roman-Catholic-Chaplain-HMP-Portland/en-GB