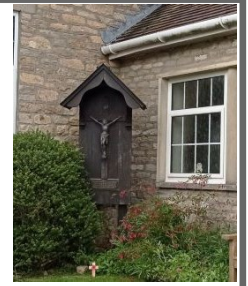


OUR LADY'S, MARNHULL AND ST BENEDICT'S, GILLINGHAM

WELCOME

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23RD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

8TH SEPTEMBER 2024

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St Benedict's Church
 Cemetery Rd,
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Parish School
 St Mary's Primary School,
 Old Mill Lane, Marnhull, Dorset

Day	Place	Time	Celebrating
Sun 8th Sept	Marnhull	9am Mass	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	Gillingham	11am Mass	
	Marnhull	6pm Mass	
Mon 9th Sept	Marnhull	No Mass	
Tues 10th Sept		No Mass	
Weds 11th Sept	Gillingham	No Mass Morning Prayer & Rosary	
Thurs 12th Sept	Marnhull	No Mass	
Fri 13th Sept	Gillingham	Evening Prayer & Adoration NO MASS	St John Chrysostom - Memorial
Sat 14th Sept	Marnhull	10am Mass, followed by Confession	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross - 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, Pippa Turnbull, Brian White, John Graham, Jane Raw

Sunday Readers: Our Lady's 9am: ; St Benedict's: ;
 Our Lady's 6pm: .

Education Sunday 8th September 2024

Education Sunday is marked this year on 8 September - just after the new academic year starts. The theme for 2024 is, **"He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak", taken from St Mark's Gospel (7:31-37)**. Education Sunday is one of the oldest Days of Special Prayer in England and Wales, established 175 years ago in 1848. It provides an opportunity to celebrate and give thanks to all involved in making Catholic schools places of enlightenment, as well as to look forward in anticipation of the year ahead.

Dear Lord, Thank you for the gift of Catholic education. Thank you for all those who have given their talents to educating our young people. Through the challenges they encounter each day, lead them to an ever deeper appreciation of the sacred duty to which you have called them. Thank you for all those who contribute to the efficient running of our Catholic education sector: chaplains, support staff, kitchen staff, maintenance staff, governors and trustees. We thank them for their hard work and dedication. Thank you for all the leaders of Catholic education. May they be people of integrity so that they can be witnesses as well as teachers. We pray that the schools they lead will become places where our young people can experience your love in their lives. Thank you for our pupils and students. May your love strengthen and nurture them through the influence and example of those who care for them. We pray that through their time at school and university they will flourish and grow to discover who you have called them to be. We make this prayer through your Son, Jesus Christ, our teacher and our Lord, Amen

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.

Mass & Interment for Merle Evans RiP

On Mon 16th September at 9.30am, there will be a Mass said for Merle Evans at Our Lady's Marnhull. This will be followed by her interment in Marnhull village cemetery at 10.30am. All parishioners are invited to attend either or both.

****New** - Summer Tea Party**

It was lovely to see so many Parishioners (despite the weather) at the Summer party held in the Presbytery garden last Saturday. Thanks to the organisers, Heather & Annette and everyone else who helped make it a very special event.



****New Info** - Ride & Stride for Dorset Historic Churches - Saturday 14th September**

This year Tom Venour who worships at Our Lady's, Marnhull is taking part in the Ride & Stride event. He will be cycling to historic churches in Dorset to raise money for the maintenance of our treasured churches. Please help Tom to raise money by clicking on this link: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/tom-venour-marnhullourladys>

As a thank you for supporting the work of the Trust, DHCT will return half the sponsor money to the church or chapel which you nominate. For more info, see the website: <https://ridestride.org/counties/dorset/>

Sycamore Course Continues on 12th Sept

Sycamore Course continues on 12th Sept at 4pm in St Benedict's. The next Sycamore session will be: WHO IS JESUS? Please see the Sycamore website for many interesting (and free) resources <https://www.sycamore.fm/>

****New** - Evangelii Gaudium Sunday 2024**

Growing as missionary disciples This year, *Evangelii Gaudium Sunday* will be celebrated in our parishes on **15 September 2024**. A [second collection](#) will also be taken on *Evangelii Gaudium Sunday* to support the work of the Bishops' Conference Mission Directorate. Please hold this important work in your prayers.

****New** - Annual General Meeting of Churches Together in Gillingham** takes place on Thursday 12th September at 7.30pm at the Community Church in Gillingham. **ALL ARE WELCOME.**

****New** - Volunteers needed to attend Friday Liturgy of the Word at Guy's Marsh Prison & a free, three-session, online course in Prison Awareness**

<https://www.welcomedirectory.org.uk/prison-awareness-course-info.php>. **Starting on 17th September** at 7.30pm. For more info on either of these, please speak to Deacon Mike.

An Evening of Reflection with Sr Margaret Atkins - Parishioners Registration

Please note that places are limited and registration is necessary to attend the event - Click here to register: <https://forms.office.com/e/2eh7Jcg5Vx> or call 01364 645421.

"Who among all these does not know that the hand of the Lord has done this?"

In his hand is the life of every living thing and the breath of all mankind' Job 12: 7-10

Caritas Diocese of Plymouth and CAFOD warmly invite you to an evening of reflection and discussion on Care for Creation at Mary's RC School Hall, Old Mill Lane, Marnhull, Dorset, DT10 1JX 6.30pm-8.30pm. We are delighted to be joined by Sr Margaret Atkins OSA from Boarbank Hall. Sr Margaret is an inspiring speaker and not to be missed! Refreshments included.

****New** - Marnhull Harvest(CTiM) Harvest Supper**

The annual CTiM joint Harvest Supper will take place on **Friday, the 27th of September at 6:30pm** to finish at 9 pm.

This is a well supported event which, apart from showing our solidarity, raises money for the food bank. The parishioners of Our Lady's have always been very generous, making stews, fish pie, and puddings, and we would be delighted if they could continue this year. If you are able to help, please could you let Jacintha know. **The tickets for the Churches Together harvest supper are now on sale from Jennie or Jacintha. They are priced at £8 each for a main course, pudding and a drink of cider; or a soft drink, if you prefer. If you would like to submit a poem to be read, please do bring it on the evening.** We are hoping that the folk group will sing, so please do come along for a jolly evening with good company. All proceeds will go to Christians Against Poverty, which is based in Gillingham.

Youth Rally 2024, Saturday 28th Sept- £10

The annual youth rally is open to all **aged 6 – 16**. Create your own team of 6 or join with others from different parishes/ groups and take part in a range of challenges. Have a go at the obstacle course or enjoy bouncing on the castle or see if you can score the most goals. There are around 12 challenges for you to take part in. To attend complete the form: <https://forms.office.com/e/zzaXFG1mxA>. The £10 charge includes food and snacks. For further details please contact, Saskia; youth@prcdtr.org.uk

****New** - Jubilee photography project** As we prepare for the year of Jubilee, Caritas Diocese of Plymouth would like to invite you to reflect on **Care for Creation** and how we live this out in our churches and communities today. To explore this issue Caritas would like to collect and share photographs by parishioners of people and places in the diocese. We would like to explore three themes that call to mind the reflected glory of the Lord in the beautiful world we are asked to care for. The themes are **Beauty, Good Choices** and **Humanity**. To find out more please follow the link <https://wp.me/paTncV-a2d>

****New** - Pilgrimage to Medjugorje 17th-24th Sept prayer intentions**

Fr Chris Findlay-Wilson (01202 746539). **Shaun Macloughlin will be going and asks if anyone has any special intention, please give to him in person or**