



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

WELCOME

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33RD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

17TH NOVEMBER 2024

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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.

Day	Place	Time	Celebrating
Sun 17th Nov	Marnhull	9am Holy Mass	THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	Gillingham	11am Holy Mass	
	Marnhull	6pm Holy Mass	
Mon 18th Nov	Marnhull	9.30am Holy Mass, followed by the Rosary	
Tues 19th Nov		No Mass	
Weds 20th Nov	Gillingham	10am Holy Mass, followed by Rosary	
Thurs 21st Nov	Marnhull	9.30am Holy Mass, followed by Adoration	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Memorial
Fri 22nd Nov	Gillingham	5pm Confession, Exposition & Evening Prayer 6pm Holy Mass	St Cecilia Memorial
Sat 23rd Nov	Marnhull	10am Holy Mass Confession	Blessed Virgin Mary

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 Intentions: Wednesday 20th November: The repose of the souls of the London family

Sunday Readers: Our Lady's 9am: Steve; St Benedict's: Susie;
 Our Lady's 6pm: Tony Bueno

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.

World Day of the Poor

Pope Francis has declared Sunday 17 November 2024 to be the eighth World Day of the Poor, with the theme of "The prayer of the poor rises up to God."
 "God knows the sufferings of his children because he is an attentive and caring father. As a father, he takes care of those who are most in need: the poor, the marginalised, the suffering and the forgotten. No one is excluded from his heart, for in his eyes, we are all poor and needy."
 World Day of the Poor Message, 2024

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

New Centenary Year 2025

The 2025 calendar year sees the global Catholic Church celebrating A Jubilee Year, called 'Pilgrims of Hope'. There is much for us to be excited about within this Papal initiative. However, in our Parish, 2025 will be even more exceptional as 'Pilgrims of Hope' coincides not only with the move to the new church in Gillingham, but also with the tercentenary celebration of the founding of a catholic mission in Marnhull in 1725 by Fr Thomas Cornforth (when it was still 'illegal' to be a Catholic).

Individually important, these three strands in combination herald a significant and poignant year for the Church, our Diocese, our Parish and all of us as Catholics. Rob Vitali has kindly agreed to my request to lead the planning and coordination for our parish tercentenary celebration within this context. It is an important parish and diocesan event, and will involve the school, while other parishes and organisations will also have an interest and want to contribute. However, it is also your event, and I expect many of you will generate your own understanding of how you might wish us to celebrate. I have asked Rob therefore to draw these ideas together, alongside the required formalities, into an event proposal. I want you to feel personally involved and I ask that if you have ideas, you might also consider leading, coordinating or simply contributing to them to turn them into practical elements of the overall event.

We are yet to fix a celebration timescale, but I am aiming for the summer, most likely in July or August. Rather than imagining it as a single day's event, there is a potential to sequence a number of contributory events together over a short period to give the tercentenary even greater impact and meaning. Rob is of course a regular at Our Lady's, but he can be contacted by email:

Rob.vitali@me.com. He would welcome your ideas and proposals, but I would encourage you to talk them through with others first to gauge if they have wider support. Let's work together to celebrate our tercentenary and to make 2025 a successful year.

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****

Handel's Messiah on Saturday 7th Dec at 7.30pm

St Mary's Church, Sturminster Newton

Tickets cash only on the door £15

Website: <https://sturminsterchoral.org.uk/>

Tel: 01258 820755
Tickets can be bought in advance - contact Charles or Pam Snell

Advent Retreat on Sat 7th Dec at St Rita's, Honiton "JESUS IS COMING: WHY?"

led by Fr. Jonathan Bielawski. The day will begin with coffee/tea on arrival at 9.30am. The talk will start at 10.00am. Post-talk questions – reflections will be at 11.05am. Adoration in silence (with an opportunity for Confession) will be at 12.00pm. Lunch will be served at 1pm. Holy Mass at 2.45pm. Depart at 3.30pm. The charge for the day, including lunch, is just £25.00. Booking can be made by phone, email, or online ([ADVENT RETREAT DAY - "JESUS IS COMING: WHY?"](#)). Payment can be made on the day.



New Christmas Boxes

55 lovely Christmas boxes have been delivered to the Salisbury Depot. Many blessings on all the kind people who donated shoe boxes (throughout the year), beautiful & useful gifts, and cheerfully packed

up the presents which will bring much joy to poor people in Eastern Europe. To view a heart-warming video, go to "House of Opportunity" and click on Christmas Boxes! Thank you! Annette

Ignatian silent and individually guided retreats available locally in the Plymouth Diocese for Advent 2024 from 6th Dec

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, For further details and bookings contact Plymouth Diocesan Ignatian Spirituality Group at diocesan-ignatian-retreats@prcdtr.org.uk

New Average Weekly Collections for SEPTEMBER 2024

Collections in church		Other/ Online	Standing Orders
Loose Plate	Gift Aid		Gift Aid
265.95	65.00	116.25	£593.13
Total £1040.33			