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MARKtime

St. Mark's Church, Gillingham
with St. Mary's Island Church

Living for Jesus; Loving Gillingham;
Learning Together

Mission Focus May & June: Lucy
Haslam & Francis & Diane Dognan

St. Mark's Group/events for May
& June: Prayer meetings & The
Welcome Teams

28th May 2017

7th Sunday of Easter – Sunday after Ascension Day



10.30am: **Service of the Word** 'Honour One Another'

Reading: Romans 12:9-21

6.30pm: **No Evening**

Service at St. Mark's Church

Other Services & Events: 11.00am 00am
Baptisms St. Mary's Island (**Dragon Boat day**)

7.30pm-8.30pm **Thy Kingdom Come**, St. Mary
Magdalene, Gillingham ME7 1SS

Prayer Ministry: *If you would like someone to pray
with you or to share concerns with, then members of
the prayer team are available in the small chapel at
the front of church.*

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Monday-Friday during term time 9.15am-
12.15pm, **St. Mark's Pre-school**, Vicarage Hall -
Children need to be registered first

Mon 29th May: 7.30pm-8.30pm **Thy Kingdom
Come**, Gillingham Methodist ME7 2LU

Tues 30th May: 7.30pm-8.30pm **Thy Kingdom
Come**, Salem Church of the Nazarene, Nelson
Road ME7 4LH

Weds 31st May: 9.00am **Holy Communion** in
Church

7.30pm-8.30pm **Thy Kingdom Come**, Gillingham
URC, ME7 4PU

Thurs 1st June: 1.00pm-3.00pm **Foodbank**,
Church

7.30pm-8.30pm **Thy Kingdom Come**, Kings,
Skinner Street, Gillingham ME7 1LD

Fri 2nd June: 7.30pm-8.30pm **Thy Kingdom
Come**, Gillingham Salvation Army ME7 1XA

Sat 3rd June: 10.00am-12.00noon **Foodbank**,
Church

7.30pm-8.30pm **Thy Kingdom Come**, Gillingham
Baptist, Green Street, Gillingham ME7 5TJ

NEXT SUNDAY – 4th June

Pentecost



10.30am: **All Age Communion
Service** 'Be of the Same Mind as
One Another'

Reading: Romans 14:13-15:7

6.30pm: **United Pentecost
Service** 'Thy Kingdom Come'
Prayer Stream

Other Services/Events:

11.00am **Holy Communion** St. Mary's Island

7.30pm-9.15pm **Landmark**, PODS

Small Groups/Home Groups meet in various
locations at different times throughout the week -
*please speak to Gary or Chris Atkins if you would like
to be in a mid-week group.*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat 11th June: 10.30am-12.00noon Faith & Light
Juniors, Vicarage Hall

Sat 17th June: 10am-1pm **India 2018
Fundraiser Café & Car Wash, Bric-a-Brac &
Book Sale**, Old Vicarage Site - please see the
notice on the **India 2018 board** for help needed.

Sat 30th June: 10.00am **Lydia Prayer Meeting**,
Old Vicarage - Next meeting: 28th July



Sat 1st July: Walk for Peace 2017 -
*this year called 'Walking For Oneness'
which aims to bring together people of
different cultures and backgrounds,
promote friendship and embrace
positive, interfaith and secular
relationships through a common cause
- peace.*

10.am Gillingham High Street

11.am Chatham

12.30pm Rochester

Ending 1pm

*Please see poster at the back of church for more
details, thank you.*

FAMILY NEWS

Mo Chen would like to say a
BIG "thank you" to everyone in
St. Mark's Church for all the
love, prayers and support to
her and her family during her
second battle with cancer.



She says, "Our Father carried me through again!!
The recent scan showed no further spreading,
which means the current treatment is working
and the cancer is under control. All in God's
control!! Hallelujah!!!"

'By His wounds I am healed, praise the one who
fights for me!'



**'Make a date - Wednesday 9am Holy
Communion in Church.** *Reasons: an
oasis of peace, calm, intimate, yet NOT
daunting! What's the best bit? Meeting our
amazing GOD and a small group of
wonderful brothers and sisters in the LORD... Be
spiritually refreshed in this midweek refuelling
stop. What's not to like?'*

Lynne Martin would like to thank all those who
have helped prepare the house and garden ready
for her move.



POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

"If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honoured every part rejoices with it" 1 Corinthians 12:26 (NIV Bible)

Thank you LORD, that You have created a loving community, which we call Church. Please help us remember to let Your loving care and respect flow through each one of us to everyone in our church community and to the wider world for Your glory's sake. Amen.

Pray for Manchester in light of the suicide bombing at the Manchester Arena last Monday (22/5/2017)... for the victims, their families, friends and wider community in grief, shock and fear... for all the Emergency Services and the people of Manchester who went to help... wisdom for the government, police, MI5 and all special services in dealing with the aftermath... **Praise the LORD** the one, "who answer[s] prayer" (Psalm 65:2) and truly cares for each one of us.

Pray for Lynne Martin as she leads a Prayer Vigil on Tuesday, 30th May regarding the Manchester bombing... **continue to pray** for **Lynne** in her new role of Medway Campus Chaplain and all that means... and for the **Café & Car Wash, Bric-a-Brac & Book Sale** on Sat 17th June... **praise** for her move into the Garden House last Thursday.

Amanda and Jeff Maskell write, "We are rather overwhelmed with all we need to do and the little time we seem to have to do it in!!"... Amanda asks us to "pray that she will stop procrastinating and listen to the LORD for the right words that make her points and flow together for her dissertation... that they complete all the work on their house, so that they are able to let it when they move... for wisdom for their boys, as they work out whether they are moving with us, or sorting out how they can afford to live in London on their own".

Shane and Chris Cordle again thank us for our prayers... continue to pray that Shane's visa will be issued quickly.

Pray for "Thy Kingdom Come" prayer meetings... **Praise the LORD** that, "You answer us with awesome and righteous deeds, God our Saviour, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas." (Psalm 65:5)

Pray for **Lucy Haslam, our Mission Partner** who needs to reflect on everything she has learned from the LORD this year and bring all this understanding into her course work etc... **Praise** for the rich diversity of heaven (Revelation 7:9) that the LORD is creating through His people like Lucy and each one of us.

Praise for **The Welcome Teams** and the way the LORD works through each team member revealing His glory, love and compassion... **Pray** for each team member that they will stay close to God and listen to His wisdom concerning their lives.

Pray for our Mission Partners, **Francis & Diane Dognan** in France especially for the church plants that the Dognans have either set up or oversee... for France to see the glory of the risen LORD Jesus and come to know Him as their LORD and saviour... **Praise** that they can, "Come and see what God has done, His awesome deeds for mankind!" (Psalm 66:5)

Praise that **Mo Chen** and her daughter **Mia** completed the 5K Race for Life at the Great Lines for Cancer Research last Sunday (21st).

Pray for **Jenny White's sister Brenda** awaiting heart surgery... **Rachel Littlewood**... for **Lucy Day** ...for **Michael Stacey** in Medway hospital... for **Gary & Chris Atkins and family**... for **Nev** and **Tina Piper** both awaiting dates for surgery... for **Lynda Smith**... for **Rob Byles**... for **Michelle Saunders' dad** undergoing radiotherapy and her **Mum** following surgery ... for **Don Miller**... and for others known to us who need God's comfort and healing touch.

Pray for our Mission focus for May & June: **Lucy Haslam & Francis & Diane Dognan**... **Please pray** for our St. Mark's Group/events for May & June: **Prayer Meetings & The Welcome Teams**...

Bible readings for May/June 2017

Day	Psalm	1st Reading	2nd Reading
Mon 29 th	93	Deuteronomy 31.1-13	1 John 2.18-end
Tues 30 th	99	Deuteronomy 31.14-29	1 John 3.1-10
Weds 31 st	85	1 Samuel 2.1-10	Mark 3.31-end
Thurs 1 st June	24	Deuteronomy 32.15-47	1 John 4.1-6
Fri 2 nd	28	Deuteronomy 33	1 John 4.7-end
Sat 3 rd	43	Deuteronomy 32.48-end of 34	1 John 5

Except for the first Sunday of the month **during term time**, groups for children and young teenagers meet at the Old Vicarage, each Sunday morning. All our youth & children's workers are DBS checked for your child's protection and safety. **If you have young children** please feel free to take your children to the Creche area at the back of church, near the sound desk (ask if you can't see it). Children are important to us at St. Mark's and we want them to be happy. Please feel free to let them play quietly in the Creche; **we just ask that you stay with them and leave the area tidy!**