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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 October: Tim &

Trish Barrow

St. Mark's Group/event for October: Faith & Light

8th October 2017

# **Trinity 17**



10.30am: Holy Communion - 'Worship and Intercessions'

6.00pm: Hot drinks served before service

6.30pm: Terry Whittaker's Licensing Service as Lay Associate Minister to St. Mark's Church and Leader of Reach at Gillingham

Pier - There will be cheese and wine after the service. Everybody is welcome.

Other Services & Events: 11.00am Morning Worship, St. Mary's Island

3.00pm Charing House

5.00pm St Mark's House

7.30pm-9.15pm Landmark

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.

Weds 11th Oct: 9.00am Holy Communion, Church

9.45am Ladies Group, Old Vicarage

1.15pm Parent & Toddlers, Vicarage Hall

Thurs 12th Oct: 1.00pm-3.00pm Foodbank, Church

Thurs 12th Oct: 7.30pm CAP Release Course, 8-weekly sessions for people who want to get control of their drinking, drug taking, gambling, smoking or other controlling habits and addictions. Old Vicarage. Call Mark Anderton or the church office

for more information.

Fri 13th Oct: 6.15pm Kidz Klub (for ages 7-11 years), Old Vicarage

Fri 13th Oct: start 6pm Prayer Vigil @ King's Church...Please note will finish either 12 midnight or 6am the following morning (half or full night of prayer). For more information please contact individual host church, thank you.

Sat 14th Oct: 10.00am-12.00noon Foodbank, Church

10.30am-12.00noon Faith & Light Juniors, Vicarage Hall

Small Groups/Home Groups meet in various locations at different times throughout the week please contact Pauline in the Church Office if you would like to know more about being in a midweek group.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY – 17<sup>th</sup> October:**

#### Trinity 18

10.30am: Service of the Word -**'Worshipping** Transforms Our Ordinary Actions

Bible Reading: Colossians

3:12-17

6.30pm: Bible Teaching

Stream

Other Services: 11.00am Morning Worship,

St. Mary's Island.

7.30pm-9.15pm: **Landmark** 

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Mon 16th Oct: 7.45pm PCC / Task Groups

Tues 17th Oct: 6.45pm The Wisdom House -Live, an evening with bestselling author, Rob Parsons OBE (Care for the Family) @ The Vine, Boughton Lane, Maidstone ME15 9QF - tickets £6 www.careforthefamily.org.uk/wisdomhouselive

<u>Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Oct:</u> 7.30pm 'Home for Good' information evening @ St Mark's to raise awareness of the need for foster and adoptive parents and how the Church can welcome them. See www.homeforgood.org.uk

<u>Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Oct:</u> India 2018 Fundraiser -Bollywood Experience has been postponed. New date and details to follow...

Tues 31st Oct: 7.30pm-9.00pm Saints Alive **2017 - Breaking the Chain** at Rochester Cathedral with guest speaker Cllr Gloria Opara, Deputy Mayor of Medway. Doors open 6.45pm. www.together.ourchurchweb.org.uk/medway/

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov: 7.30pm Men's Curry Night at the Bollywood Buffet. Speak to Dammy Oyinloye for more information and to confirm attendance.

**<u>Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Nov:</u>** 9.00am-5.00pm **New Wine Ladies Day** – A day for women to be encouraged and inspired in their faith. John us to experience vibrant worship, inspirational teaching and spiritfilled ministry. Cost: £30. Venue: Emmanuel Centre, Marsham Street, SW1P 3DW. Please see Amanda Maskell for more details.

Sun 12th Nov: 10.30am Remembrance Day Service - Please note that there will not be a



creche or refreshments due to space requirements. Thank you.

#### **FAMILY NEWS**

Our **Parent & Toddler Group** meet on Wednesday afternoons, 1.15pm-2.45pm in the Vicarage Hall. They still need extra volunteers especially to help set up and clear away. *If you can help please speak to Sheelagh Graves or Shane Cordle.* 



Good condition warm clothing for those men and women who

who come into Foodbank or church in need as the temperature drops. Please speak to Paul Smith or Pauline Jackson.

# **POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER**

"Remember me, LORD, when You show favour to Your people, come to my aid when You save them, that I may enjoy the prosperity of Your chosen ones, that I may share in the joy of Your nation and join Your inheritance in giving praise." Psalm 106:4-5 (NIV Bible)

We praise You LORD for Your amazing love, grace and patience. Please help us to remember all Your answers to prayer and blessings, so that we can worship You in truth, love and trust. Amen.

Pray for our Mission Partners, Tim & Tricia Barrow as they and their family settles into the different roles that the LORD has assigned them... for Tim who is developing the ENGAGE Program, where SIM missionary personnel from African churches are coming to the UK to reach their communities here with the love and saving grace of Jesus... for Tricia who has passed her nursing re-registration and is working at a local hospital... for Sacha who is marrying Kyle on Oct 25th that this will be a time of celebration and many answers to prayer... for Ben and his adjustments to life in Nottingham before beginning a new job and studies in the New Year... for Gabby as she begins studies at Greenwich University... for

**Michael** in finding God's will in the right employment that uses his God given talents... **Praise** for all the many ways that the LORD has blessed many others through this family and for the many ways He will be blessing them and the wider community in the future.

**Praise** for the **Medway Foodbank** collection in church last week and the many ways the LORD is bring light, love and safety to our community through this organisation.

**Pray** for **Terry and Jo Whittaker**, as they begin to test God's will in turning the idea of "**Leader of Reach at Gillingham Pier"** into His holy reality.

**Pray** for the **CAP Release Course** this week and that the LORD will meet everyone's needs as they, "Look to the LORD and His strength; seek[ing] His face always." (Psalm 105:4).

**Pray** for **Faith & Light** this week and that each member will feel God's blessing in their lives, His protection and most of all His amazing love... **pray** for Pat and Karen who are unable to attend at present... that all members will continue to grow spiritually! **Praise** for the way that the LORD is constantly creating His image in the hearts and minds of this special group.

**Pray** for the aftermath of the mass killings and the injured in Las Vegas with families, friends and First Responders/Homeland Security who are traumatized.

Pray for Margaret Howlett who has had a mild stroke (doing very well at home)...for Lynda Smith that her eye problems will be sorted out very soon and that she has no side-effects to the medication... Rachael Savage & the family... for Andrew Martin (St Mary's Island Church) recovering from surgery... for Rachel Littlewood... for Michael Stacey for complete healing from his last surgery... and many others known to us who need God's comfort and healing touch...

Pray for Our Mission Partner For October: Tim & Trish Barrow... Please pray our St. Mark's Group: Faith & Light.

Bible readings for October 2017			
Day	Psalm	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup>	71	2 Chronicles 9.1-12	Mark 14.1-11
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup>	73	2 Chronicles 10.1-11.4	Mark 14.12-25
Weds 11 <sup>th</sup>	77	2 Chronicles 12	Mark 14.26-42
Thurs 12th	78.1-39	2 Chronicles 13.1-14.1	Mark 14.43-52
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	55	2 Chronicles 14.2-end	Mark 14.53-65
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup>	76	2 Chronicles 15.1-15	Mark 14.66-end

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!**