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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

15th October 2017

Trinity 18



10.30am: **Service of the Word** – 'Worshipping transforms our ordinary actions'. Colossians 3:12-17

6.30pm: Leading & preaching workshop (1)

Other Services & Events:
11.00am Morning Worship,

St. Mary's Island

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.

Mon 16th Oct: 7.45pm **PCC / Task Groups**

Tues 17th Oct: 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

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

Weds 18th Oct: 9.00am **Holy Communion**, Church

9.45am **Ladies Group**, Old Vicarage

1.15pm **Parent & Toddlers**, Vicarage Hall

Thurs 19th Oct: 1.00pm-3.00pm **Foodbank**, Church

Thurs 19th Oct: 7.30pm **CAP Release Course (2)**, 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 for more information 07963 099587.

Fri 20th Oct: 6.15pm **Kidz Klub** (for ages 7-11 years), Old Vicarage

Sat 21st Oct: 10.00am-12.00noon **Foodbank**, Church

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 mid-week group.

NEXT SUNDAY - 22nd October

Trinity 19

10.30am: **Holy Communion** - 'Worship and Liturgy' 1 Corinthians 11:23-27

5.30-7.00pm: **Church in the Pub** - an evening of discussion & conversations @ King George V, Prospect Row, Brompton, Gillingham.

NO evening service @ St Mark's

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

7.30pm-9.15pm: **Landmark**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 31st Oct: 6.00-7.30pm **Technicolour Light Party!** Songs, games, crafts, food, stories, competitions - for children ages 6-12 years @ Gillingham Methodist Church Hall, Third Avenue. Call 01634 281158 or email medway@familytrust.or.uk. See noticeboard.

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

Sat 4th Nov: 9.00-11.30am **Women's Breakfast 'Shining like Stars'**. Speakers Sarah Mann and Major Brenda Sterling. Suggested donation £4.00 on the day. To book contact Julie Millest adandjamillest@btinternet.com or 07964044890. See notice on the noticeboard.

Sat 11th Nov: 9.00am-5.00pm **New Wine Ladies Day - A day for women to be encouraged and inspired in their faith. Join us to experience vibrant worship, inspirational teaching and spirit-filled 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.

Sat 25th Nov: 9am-12 noon. **Prayer Ministry Training**, Old Vicarage. A further session will be in January 2018, date to be confirmed. If you are interested in this Ministry or attending this training, please speak to Keith Sheepwash.

FAMILY NEWS

Please note that parking onsite at the church is only for people with a registered disability or for people leading a service or activity who have to bring things in with them. The Wardens.



Congratulations to Charlotte, Tim, Tristram and Evelyn Bannar-Martin (and of course proud grandma Jane!) on the birth of Amber, 8lbs, on Saturday 7th October.



'A big 'thank you' to all who participated in the *Ride 'n' Stride* event in September and to all you lovely sponsors! We made £260 of which £130 come to St Mark's with the remainder going to the Friends of Kent Churches'. Richard Tolhurst.



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

Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and whom the prophets also wrote - Jesus of Nazareth, son of Joseph". "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. John 1:45-46

Lord Jesus, thank you that even in the difficult places like Gillingham (Nazareth) You are able to transform lives, bring healing and joy. Help us to see all things that are possible in You. Amen

Pray for the family and friends of Kyle Yule, 17, who was murdered in Gillingham on Friday, 6th October... **pray** for other families and young people so affected by this incident... **pray** for those seeking to find the right response.

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.

Pray for **Terry and Jo Whittaker**, as they go forward at the start of their new ministry at Reach at Gillingham Pier... for Terry as he meets with developers and others.

Pray for **Faith & Light** and **Faith & Light Juniors**... for **Karen** and **Trevor** Dyer and their wonderful team as they lead these groups.

Praise that **Shane and Chris Cordle** moved into their own house this weekend... **Pray** that they will settle in really quickly, that the house will become 'home' and may they be blessed in all that they do.

Praise for **Katy Barnwell**, one of our Mission Partners, as she works tirelessly training bible translators ... **pray** that Katy will finish 'polishing' the power-point and ancillary materials accessed by users of the training manual will be completed.

Pray for **Margaret Howlett**...for **Lynda Smith** that her recurring eye problems will be sorted out very soon and that she has good tolerance of 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 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 16 th	80	2 Chronicles 17.1-12	Mark 15.1-15
Tues 17 th	89.1-18	2 Chronicles 18.1-27	Mark 15.16-32
Weds 18 th	146	2 Chronicles 18.28-19.1-11	Mark 15.33-41
Thurs 19 th	92	2 Chronicles 20.1-23	Mark 15.42 to end
Fri 20 th	88	2 Chronicles 22.10-end of 23	Mark 16.1-8
Sat 21 st	97	2 Chronicles 24.1-22	Mark 16.9-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!**