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

Living for Jesus; Loving Gillingham;
Learning Together

Mission Focus April: All Mission
Partners

St. Mark's Event for April:
Worship Groups

1st April 2018



"He is not here;
He is risen, just
as He said.
Come and see
the place where
He lay."
Matthew 28:6

10.30am: **Easter Sunday Family Communion** -
'Breaking of Bread at Emmaus' - Luke 24: 13-35

No Evening Service At St Mark's

Other Services:

6.15am: **Sunrise Service**, St.
Mary's Island Church

11.00am: **Easter Day Service**, St
Mary's Island

No Landmark This Evening

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

Thurs 5th April: 1.00pm-3.00pm **Foodbank,**
Church

Sat 7th April: 10.00am-12.00noon **Foodbank,**
Church

NEXT SUNDAY 8th APRIL



Easter 2

We warmly welcome the Rev
**Irshad John, pastor of St.
Andrew's Church in Lahore,
Pakistan who will be preaching
and commissioning the India
2018 Team.**

10.30am: **All Age Friendly Service**

6.30pm: **Bible Teaching Stream - Nehemiah**

Other Services:

11.00am: **Holy Communion**, St Mary's Island

3.00pm Charing House

5.00pm St Mark's House

7.30pm-9.15pm: **Landmark**

8.00pm-10.00pm: **'The Gathering'** for young
adults. **Note change of venue: Old Vicarage**
Speak to Saju, Amanda or Shane if you want to
know more@.

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

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 6th April: 6.00pm-Midnight **Prayer Vigil** at
the Salvation Army, Green Street, Gillingham

Thurs 26th April: 12.30pm-1.30pm **Just One
Prayer Walk** - meet outside the Gillingham
Football Club Shop, MEMS Priestfield Stadium,
Redfern Avenue, Gillingham - next prayer walk
Thurs 24th May.

Fri 27th April: 10.00am-12 noon **Lydia Prayer
Meeting**, Old Vicarage

Sun 29th April: 6.30pm **Taize Service** led by
Rev Joel Love.

Weds 2nd May:
6.30pm-8.30pm **Faith
& Light**, Vicarage Hall

Sat 12th May:
10.30am-12.00 noon
**Faith & Light
Juniors**, Vicarage Hall

Faith + Light



Fri 4th May: 10.00pm-2.00am **JUSTONE half
night of prayer** - venue to be arranged

Sun 13th May: 8.00pm-10.00pm: **'The
Gathering'** for young adults. Speak to Saju,
Amanda or Shane if you want to know more.

Feeding the 5000 Events:

Sat 19th May: 1.30pm-3.30pm **The King's
Banquet** at St. Mark's Church. This is a free
event for the people of Gillingham which includes
a BBQ, African food, sweets/treats and children's
activities. If you want to know more, please speak
to Katie Jenkins.

Sat 30th June: 12 noon-2.00pm **St. Mark's
Preschool** lunch for their children and families,
Old Vicarage site.

Sat 9th June: **JustOne Gillingham** Doors open
1.00pm, Event starts 3.00pm and concludes
5.00pm. At Gillingham Football Club, MEMS
Priestfield stadium, Redfern Avenue, Gillingham
ME7 4DD

Fri 15th June: Leap of Faith 2018 - Women's
Retreat weekend. Cost £180-£220, please see
poster on church notice board for more
information.

Sat 7th July: 9.00am-11.00am *The Medway Deaneries are running the CPAS Course 'Growing Leaders'*; this is a taster session for the course - more information later.

Fri 27th July: 1.00pm-4pm **'Let Loose' concert**, Gillingham High Street.

FAMILY NEWS



Music Man Project

Fri 13th April: 3.00pm **The Music Man Project** (a music education service for people with learning disabilities) which Sarah Mann and Andy Millest (Salvation Army) run invite everyone to their concert at

Gillingham Salvation Army Hall, Green Street. Admission is free, there will be a donation bucket on the way out. Please see poster for more details.

POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER



"Now I am putting you in the care of GOD the blessings GOD has for all His holy people." Acts 20:32 New Century Version

LORD Jesus, thank you for Your loving grace without which, "If You, LORD, kept a record of sins, LORD who could stand?" (Psalm 130:3) Please help me to be as loving, gracious and merciful as you are in Your strength for Your Glorious Name's Sake. Amen.

Praise the LORD for Easter and His redeeming love, which transforms our world and brings His Holy Kingdom into our hearts.

Bring to the LORD any situation whether in our church family, locally, nationally or internationally that you care about... **Praise** that Psalm 17:7 says, *"Show me the wonders of Your great love, You who save by Your right hand those who take refuge in You from their foes."*

Pray for the NHS in England which does not have enough beds or staff to meet the needs of patients as they approach the new financial year (2018-

19)... **Praise** for the caring staff who often work extra hours/duties to fill in gaps in the system.

Praise for the commissioning of the **St Mark's India 2018 team** next Sunday and ask the LORD to strengthen each team member, so they can do the work that the LORD wants them to achieve... **Pray** for God's grace, protection, healing and encouragement.

Praise for the **new appointments** to St Mark's staff team of **Katie Jenkins**, Church Administrator, and **Ellie Oparaku**, Operations Manager... **Pray** for a good handover, that they will not be overwhelmed and that they will both feel comfortable in their new duties.

Praise for our **Worship Groups** who help us to get closer to God week by week... **Pray** for protection for them, their families and friends, so that they continue to hear what the LORD wants them perform and say.

Pray for the new members of the **PCC** and **Church Wardens**.

Praise that our Mission partner, **Katy Barnwell** having served on the staff of the first Biblical Scholars training workshop in Nigeria now has 20 trainees who are enthusiastically involved in this programme and are looking forward to further training in 2018... **Pray** for the formatting work still needed on her 4th edition Bible Translation Training Manual.

Continue to pray for **Paul Smith** who is unwell with a problem with his arm leaving him unable to drive... that the LORD will rescue him and help him regain his mobility, which will allow him to join us in church very soon.

Pray for those known to us who need God's comfort and healing touch... for **Kelly & son Rammone**... for **Keith Sheepwash**... for **Ian Graves** ... for **Rachael Savage**... for **Gregory Keating** in East Grinstead Hospital ... for **Ruth Howard**... for **Michael Stacey** waiting for further surgery... for all others known to us.

Pray for: **All Mission Partners** and **Worship Groups**

Bible readings for April 2018

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 2 nd	111	Exodus 12.1-14	1 Corinthians 15.1-11
Tues 3 rd	112	Exodus 12.14.36	1 Corinthians 15.12-19
Weds 4 th	113	Exodus 12.37-end	1 Corinthians 15.20-28
Thurs 5 th	114	Exodus.13.1-16	1 Corinthians 15.29-34
Fri 6 th	115	Exodus 13.17-14.14	1 Corinthians 15.35-50
Sat 7 th	116	Exodus 14.15-end	1 Corinthians 15.51-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!**