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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/group for
April: Worship Groups

22nd April 2018



Easter 4

10.30am: Thy Kingdom
Come – The Kingdom
revealed in Jesus Christ

Readings: Matthew 5:3-12 &
Matthew 15:24-52

5.30pm: Church in the

Pub, King George V, Brompton

6.30pm: **No evening service at St Mark's**

Other Services:

11.00am: Family Service, 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

Weds 25th April: 9.00am Holy Communion, in Church

9.45am Ladies Group, Old Vicarage

1.15pm Parent & Toddlers, Vicarage Hall

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.

1.00pm-3.00pm Foodbank, Church

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

6:30pm NO KIDZ KLUB

Sat 28th April: 10.00am-12.00noon Foodbank, Church

NEXT SUNDAY 29th APRIL

Easter 5

10.30am All Age Friendly Baptism Service

6.30pm: Taize Service led by Rev Joel Love. Join us in this quiet, meditative, prayerful service.

Other Services:

11.00am: Morning Worship, St Mary's Island

7.30pm-9.15pm: Landmark

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

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

Fri 4th May: 10.00pm-2.00am JustOne half night of prayer – venue to be arranged.

Sat 12th May: 9.00am Homegroup Leaders' breakfast, Old Vicarage

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

'THY KINGDOM COME'



Join the global wave of prayer at these churches, from 7.30pm-8.30pm.

Thurs 10th May: St. Augustine's Church, Rock Ave ME7 5PW

Fri 11th May: St. Barnabas' Church, ME7 4LT

Sat 12th May: TBC

Sun 13th May: All Saints Church, Hempstead ME7 3QG

Mon 14th May: Gillingham URC, ME7 4PU

Tues 15th May: Kings, Skinner Street, Gillingham ME7 1LD

Weds 16th May: Salem Church of the Nazarene, Nelson Road ME7 4LH

Thurs 17th May: St. Luke's Church, Gillingham ME7 1PA

Fri 18th May: Gillingham Salvation Army ME7 1XA

Sat 19th May: Gillingham Methodist Church ME7 2LU

Sun 20th May: St Mark's, Gillingham ME7 5TP
United Pentecost Service, 6.30pm

Thy Kingdom Come 9-day or 11-day prayer booklets are available on the Welcome Desk.

Sun 13th May: 12.30pm Farewell and Thank you to Pauline as she retires - please do join us after the morning service for a light lunch. *If you can help in anyway please speak to Lynne Martin.*

8.00pm-10.00pm: 'The Gathering' for young adults. *Speak to Saju, Amanda, Lynne or Shane if interested.*

Thurs 17th May: 7.30pm Men's Curry Night, Bollywood Buffet, Canterbury Street.

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, cakes and children's activities. If you want to know more, please speak to Katie Jenkins.

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

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 starting in September.

Fri 27th July: 1.00pm-4pm **‘Let Loose’ outside music concert**, Gillingham High Street. Please contact Mayowa or Graham Wilkins for more information.

says, *“And the heavens proclaim His righteousness, for He is a God of justice.”*

Pray for the **St Mark’s India 2018 team – Mic Aldington, Natalie Bradford, Lesley Boast, Chris & Shane Cordle, Trevor Dyer, Jon Friday, Wayne Hickmott, Ann Keane, Andrew & Sarah Mann, Amanda Maskell, Saju Muthalaly, Helen Standing, David Stanley, Ben Towers, Lucy Wheatley, Terry Whittaker and Lucy Williams...** ask the LORD, help all team members to keep their minds on Him alone, so that the LORD can guide them second by second, as they learn to cope with new experiences and old fears... **Pray** for Mumbai team as they work alongside the Sahaara Project that they will see the LORD in action, as He meets all their needs and brings healing to all... **Pray** for Wayne and Trevor as they travel to the Palayamkottai Community to encourage the Faith & Light community that they will see people being able to worship the LORD together in freedom, safety and joy... **Pray** that the **Music Man Project** team will be able to cover the distances, have the energy, health and protection to set up groups in the various places the LORD takes them... **Pray** for Jon who with other team members will be using carpentry skills with children with disabilities, that everyone will feel a sense of achievement.

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**FAMILY NEWS**  
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Pauline is retiring at the end of April - if you would like to contribute to a retirement gift for her please use the envelopes provided or speak to Katie Jenkins, Lynne Martin or Jo Whittaker.

POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER



“Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things.” *Philippians 4:8 (NIV UK)*

LORD help us to gaze on You and You alone in this confusing, sad and desperate world for You are all that Philippians 4:8 states and so much more because “You have the words of eternal life.” (John 6:68) Thank you for not only showing us the way, but walking with us to glory each step of the way. Amen.

Bring to the LORD any situation whether in our church family, locally, nationally or internationally that you care about... **Praise** that Psalm 50:6

Praise for our **Worship Groups** who help us to *“Worship the LORD with gladness [and] come before Him with joyful songs.” (Psalm 100:2)...* **Ask the LORD** to provide more worship group members at the time of His choosing... **Pray** for all worship group members and ask the LORD to protect, nourish and encourage them in their faith in Him, so that He can use their talents for His glory.

Pray for those known to us who need God’s comfort and healing touch... for **Steve Burtrand** recovering well from having a defibrillator/pacemaker fitted... for **Paul Smith** currently confined to bedrest... for all others known to us.

Pray for: All Mission Partners and Music Worship Groups

Bible readings for April 2018

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 23 rd	5	Joshua 1.1-9	Ephesians 6.10-20
Tues 24 th	139	Exodus 32.15-34	Luke 3.1-14
Weds 25 th	37.23-end	Isaiah 62.6-10	Acts 12.25-13.13
Thurs 26 th	118	Exodus.34.1-10, 27-end	Luke 4.1-13
Fri 27 th	33	Exodus 35.20-36.7	Luke 4.14-30
Sat 28 th	34	Exodus 40.17-end	Luke 4.31-37

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!**