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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: Lucy Haslam

St. Mark's Event/group for May:  
Ladies Group

6<sup>th</sup> May 2018



## Easter 6

**10.30am: All Age Friendly Service**

Theme: 'What is God doing in India?'  
Feedback from India 2018 Team

**6.30pm: Prayer Stream: Thy Kingdom Come Prayer walk**

### Other Services:

**11.00am: Holy Communion**, 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.*

### New Church Office Hours are:

**Mon & Thurs 10.00am-3.00pm**  
**Tues & Weds 10.00am-2.00pm**  
**Fri 10.00am-2.30pm**

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

**Weds 9<sup>th</sup> May:** 9.00am **Holy Communion**, in Church

9.45am **Ladies Group**, Old Vicarage

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

**Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> May:** 1.00pm-3.00pm **Foodbank**, Church

7.30pm-8.30pm **'THY KINGDOM COME' Prayer Meeting**, St. Augustine's Church, Rock Ave ME7 5PW

**Fri 11<sup>th</sup> May:** 6.15pm **Kidz Klub**, ages 7-11, Old Vicarage

7.30pm-8.30pm **'THY KINGDOM COME' Prayer Meeting**, St. Barnabas' Church, ME7 4LT

**Sat 12<sup>th</sup> May:** 9.00am **Homegroup Leaders' breakfast**, Old Vicarage

10.00am-12.00noon **Foodbank**, Church

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

7.30pm-8.30pm **'THY KINGDOM COME' Prayer Meeting**, Holy Trinity Church, Twydall Lane, Gillingham, ME8 6JU



It is planned that construction work on the new toilets will commence on **Monday 14 May**. This is slightly later than previously announced due to a small snag with approvals. The work will take approximately nine weeks and during this period temporary toilets will be provided for use by the congregation.

**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 if you would like to know more about being in a mid-week group.*

## NEXT SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> May

**Sunday after Ascension Day**

**10.30am: Holy Communion**

**12.30pm: Farewell and Thank you** to Pauline as she retires. *If you can help in anyway please speak to Lynne Martin*

**6.30pm: Bible Study Stream** - Philippians with Martyn Saunders of Pip & Jims

### Other Services:

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

**3.00pm:** Charing House

**5.00pm:** St Mark's House **5.00pm** St Mark's House

**7.30pm-8.30pm: 'THY KINGDOM COME' Prayer Meeting**, All Saints Church, Hempstead ME7 3QG

**7.30pm-9.15pm: Landmark**

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

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



### 'THY KINGDOM COME'

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

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup> May:** Gillingham URC, ME7 4PU

**Tues 15<sup>th</sup> May:** Kings, Skinner Street, Gillingham ME7 1LD

**Weds 16<sup>th</sup> May:** Salem Church of the Nazarene, Nelson Road ME7 4LH

**Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> May:** St. Luke's Church, Gillingham ME7 1PA

**Fri 18<sup>th</sup> May:** Gillingham Salvation Army ME7 1XA

**Sat 19<sup>th</sup> May:** Gillingham Methodist Church ME7 2LU

**Sun 20<sup>th</sup> 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.**

**Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> May: 7.30pm Men's Curry Night**, Bollywood Buffet, Canterbury Street. £11.95 per person. Please contact Dammy.

**Fri 18<sup>th</sup> May:** 10.00am-12noon **Lydia Prayer Meeting**, Old Vicarage

**Sat 19<sup>th</sup> May:** 1.30pm-3.30pm **King's Banquet** at St. Mark's Church. A free event with food & children's activities. If you want to know more please speak to Katie Jenkins.

**Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> May:** 12.30pm-1.30pm **Just One Prayer Walk** – meet outside the Gillingham Football Club Shop, MEMS Priestfield Stadium, Redfern Avenue, Gillingham

**Sat 9<sup>th</sup> 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

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

**Sat 7<sup>th</sup> 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 27<sup>th</sup> July:** 1.00pm-4pm '**Let Loose**' **outside music concert**, Gillingham High Street. Please contact Mayowa or Graham Wilkins for more information.

**FAMILY NEWS**



**Paul Smith writes: I would like to thank everyone for their prayers and give you an update on my current situation, I'm no longer on bed**

**rest but am waiting on a MRI scan on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May to find out why my right arm has lost feeling and function. (Please pray for a good outcome from the scan.)**

**St. Mark's Preschool needs a NVQ level 2 or 3 Preschool Practitioner required for cover on a zero hours contract. Please speak to Julie Hanning, Manager for more details.**

There are still envelopes available if you wish to contribute to Pauline's leaving present.

**Gift aid certificates are now available, please see John Beck, thank you.**



**POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER**

**"Simon Peter answered Him, 'LORD to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and to know that You are the Holy One of God.'" John 6:68-69 (NIVUK)**

**Thank you LORD that You are the only person that we can turn to when we are hurting, feeling helpless or distraught because You know how that feels. Yet You LORD turned betrayal, abandonment and death on a cross into Your glorious resurrection, which gave us our redemption, hope and eternal life. How can we not say with thankful hearts, "But now, LORD, what do I look for? My hope is in You." (Psalm 39:7)**

**Praise that the India 2018 Team are home safe and for all the wonderful answers to prayer... Pray for the team as they adjust to life back home with the different memories, challenges and health issues.**

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

**Pray for a church group or an event happening this week... Ask the LORD to show His glory, healing and for unity, so that more may be able to hear His message of saving grace, love and hope.**

**Pray for our Mission Partners Francis and Diane Dognon who are having a week of intercession for their network of churches from 20<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> May... Ask the LORD to refresh, encourage and to pour out His spirit of redemption, hope and the blessings of eternal life through Him on all these networks encounter.**

**Pray for those known to us who need God's comfort and healing touch... for Steve Burtrand ... for Paul Smith... for all others known to us.**

**Pray for: Lucy Haslam who is getting married in June and Ladies Groups**

**Bible readings for May 2018**

Day	Psalm	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	65	Numbers 16.1-35	Luke 6.27-38
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup>	126	Numbers 16.36-end	Luke 6.39-end
Weds 9 <sup>th</sup>	132	Numbers 17.1-11	Luke 7.1-10
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup>	110	Isaiah 52:7-end	Hebrews 7. [11-25] 26-end
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>	81	Numbers 20.1-13	Luke 7.11-17
Sat 12 <sup>th</sup>	47	Numbers 21.4-9	Luke 7.18-35

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!**