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

Living for Jesus; Loving Gillingham;
Learning Together

Mission Focus: The Family Trust

St. Mark's Event/groups: ALPHA

9th September 2018

Trinity 15



10.30am: All Age Service
Prayer and Prophecy Stream

6.30pm: Service of the Word – 'When we pray God hears us – Jonah 2

Other Services:

11.00am: Morning Worship, 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. Speak to Saju, Amanda, Lynne or Shane if interested.

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 DURING THIS WEEK:

Weds 12th Sept: 9.00am: Holy Communion, in Church

9.45am: Ladies Group, Old Vicarage

1.15pm: Parent & Toddlers, Vicarage Hall

5.30pm: Mission Links Task Group, Venue TBC

Thurs 13th Sept: 1.00pm-3.00pm: Foodbank, Church

Fri 14th Sept: 6.15pm: Kidz Klub, ages 7-11, Old Vicarage

Sat 15th Sept: NO FOODBANK DUE TO WEDDING

NEXT SUNDAY 16th Sept:

Trinity 16



10.30am: Service of the word

6.30pm: Holy Communion – 'When we repent God uses us – Jonah 3.

Other Services:

11.00am: Morning Worship, St Mary's Island

7.30pm-9.15pm: Landmark

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 17th Sept: 7.45pm PCC, Old Vicarage

Sat 22nd Sept: 9.30-11.00am: 'Who Let the Dads Out?' for all children aged 0-6years and the men in their lives, Vicarage hall

Sun 23rd Sept: FUSION after the morning Service – sharing of food, heritage and culture – Come and Enjoy!



Thurs 27th Sept: 7.00pm ALPHA, Old Vicarage – The evenings will start with a sit down supper followed by a dvd and discussion. Whether you have a relationship with God or not, why not sign up, come along, take the opportunity to spend time with others, ask questions and build on your faith. For more details please contact Keith Sheepwash or Katie Jenkins @ the Church Office.

Sat 29th Sept: Amanda's Ordination

You are all invited to a BBQ at the Old Vicarage to celebrate with Amanda after her Ordination. From 12:30pm.

Sunday 30th September: 6.30pm Worship Evening please speak to Mayowa for more information.

Sat 13th Oct: 10.30am-12.00noon: Faith & Light Juniors, Vicarage Hall

Sunday 7th October: After service Cake & Consider for Tearfund Sahaara Project. Please check your Save the Dates.



Sun 11th Nov: 10.30am Remembrance Service – this year will mark the 100 years since the guns fell silent and WWI ended.

FAMILY NEWS

St. Mark's Church is holding a Foodbank & CAP Prayer & Praise evening on Wednesday 19th September from 7.00pm for teas & coffees.

It will start at 7.30pm and ending no later than 9.00pm, so if anyone would like to come along and find out what's been happening within these groups please come they are more than welcome.

Thanks
Paul

The office will be closed next Wednesday 12th September and Friday 21st September due to annual leave.



POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

"If I had cherished sin in my heart, the LORD would not have listened; but God has surely listened and has heard my prayer. Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld His love from me!" Psalm 66:18-20 (NIV UK)

Oh LORD and King what can we say? How can we praise You enough that You who know our faults so well have not rejected us, but poured out Your loving Holy Spirit on us and rescued us from the grave to be with You for all eternity. What do we need to do? Only believe and trust in Your saving message of redemption and Grace in Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen.

Pray for ALPHA starting on 27th September... **Ask the LORD** to protect each individual, create a loving community where everyone wants to be there and learn more about Him and all the resources to make this happen... **Praise**, "Know that the LORD is God. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture." (Psalm 100:3)

Pray for the two Reuters journalists arrested in Myanmar, accused of violating state secrets when they were reporting the violence and genocide against the Rohingya people... **Ask the LORD** to uphold the truth in a world where people twist it to mean what they want it to be and label anything they disagree with 'fake truth'... **Praise**, "Truthful lips endure for ever, but a false witness tells lies." (Proverbs 12:19)

Pray for the Brexit negotiations and the many side affects e.g. getting much needed prescriptions ... **Ask the LORD** to bring unity to a divided government, parliament and people, so that we can get the right deal that is good for us and the EU.

Pray for all the High Streets in the Medway Towns, especially for those businesses that are struggling... **Ask the LORD** to make them oasis of peace filled with His Holy presence and a joy to behold. To bring hope where there is despair, to create communities of friendship among the nations and shine a beacon on His unfailing love...**Praise**, "Your people will rebuild the ancient

ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations; you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets with Dwellings." (Isaiah 58:12)

Pray for the **Mission Links Task Group** & the **PCC** meeting happening soon that Godly decisions will be made for the benefit of all of our community.

Bring to the LORD any situation whether in our church family, locally, nationally or internationally that you care about...**Praise that the LORD says**, "I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you." (Psalm 32:8)

Praise that **Paul Smith** has been advised by his specialist that the numbness will subside... **Pray** that the LORD will continue to work out His healing grace in Paul.

Praise the LORD that **Michelle Saunder's Sister Rachael** who is doing great in recovering from bowel surgery and was at St. Mark's recently – Michelle says "thank you" to all who have upheld Rachael over the last few weeks and praise the LORD.

Pray for **Keith Sheepwash** who recently had surgery...**The Thom family** with recent bereavements and **Derick Thom's sister-in-law Iris** who has lung and liver cancer... for **Jill Callan**... for **Rachel**... for **Terence Herbert** who has cancer – **Yasnee** asks for the LORD to heal **Terence**, reduce his suffering and bless him... for **Charmaine's husband Leon**... for **Lorraine Schultz**... for **June Bloor and family** on the sad passing of **Trevor**...for **Helen Standing**... for **Kelvin Summoogum's** grieving family and especially his mum following the sad news of his dad's death.

Please pray for: **The Family Trust & ALPHA**

Bible readings for September 2018

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 10 th	30	1 Kings 8.31-62	Acts 16.6-24
Tues 11 th	36	1 Kings 8.63-9.9	Acts 16.25-end
Weds 12 th	34	1 Kings 10.1-25	Acts 17.1-15
Thurs 13 th	37	1 Kings 11.1-13	Acts 17.16-end
Fri 14 th	2	Genesis 3.1-15	John 12.27-36a
Sat 15 th	42	1 Kings 12.1-24	Acts 18.22-19.7

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!**

New Church Office Hours are:

Mon & Thurs 10.00am-3.00pm, Tues & Weds 10.00am-2.00pm, Fri 10.00am-2.30pm (by appointment only)