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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: Tim & Trish
Barrow

St. Mark's Event/groups:
The Gathering

7th October 2018

Trinity 18

10.30am: **All Age Service – Hope in Hopeless Circumstances**



Followed by Tearfund Cake & Consider Cake Sale & Quiz

6.30pm: **Prayer Stream**

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.*

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

WHAT'S ON DURING THIS WEEK:

Weds 10th Oct: 9.00am: **Holy Communion**, in Church

9.45am: **Ladies Group**, Old Vicarage

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

Thurs 11th Oct: 1.00pm-3.00pm: **Foodbank**, Church

7.00pm-9.15pm: **ALPHA**, Old Vicarage

For more details please contact Amanda Maskell or Katie Jenkins in the Church Office.

Fri 12th Oct: 6.15pm: **Kidz Klub**, ages 7-11, Old Vicarage

Sat 13th Oct: 9.00am-11.30am **Women's Breakfast – For the Word of God is Alive and Active**, for more information please see church noticeboard, thank you

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

10.00am-1.00pm: **The Big Knit** at Rochester Cathedral.

NEXT SUNDAY 14th Oct:

Trinity 20

10.30am: **Holy Communion**

6.30pm: **Bible Study Stream**, Paul's letters to Timothy

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.*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weds 17th Oct: 6.30pm-8.30pm **Differently Able**, (was Faith & Light) Vicarage Hall

Sat 20th Oct: 9.30-11.00am: **'Who Let the Dads Out?'** for all children aged 0-6years and the men in their lives, Vicarage hall

Sat 3rd Nov: 9.00am-11.00am: **Homegroup Leaders Breakfast**, The Old Vicarage. Please speak to Amanda Maskell or Pauline Jackson for more information.

Sat 10th Nov: 8.00pm **Putting chairs & orders of service out in church ready for Remembrance Sunday – Please come and help!**

Sun 11th Nov: 10.30am **Remembrance Service – this year will mark the 100 years since the guns fell silent and WWI ended.** – *Please note that there will not be a creche or refreshments due to space requirements. Thank you... Help is also required to transport all the chairs back to the Old Vicarage site and put the church back together!*



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.*

FAMILY NEWS

The Church Office will be CLOSED on Thurs 18th & Fri 26th Oct 2018.

No Faith & Light Juniors this month

Please find the link to the website for Reach: https://stmarksgillingham.org/Articles/530774/Reach_at_Gillingham.aspx thank you

Confirmation Class Reminder that these are taking place on the **11th, 18th & 25th Nov** with a meal and rehearsal on the **28th Nov** starting from 7pm (venue to be confirmed next week) with the Confirmations taking place on **Sun 2nd Dec.**

These classes are for under 18s, but if you are over 18 and feel you would like to do as a step in your faith then please do speak to either Saju or Amanda. For more information on this set of classes please speak to Saju, Amanda, Monica, Shane or Katie (in the office).

POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER



"But when the kindness and love of God our Saviour appeared, He saved us, not because of righteous things we have done, but because of His mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Saviour, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life." Titus 3:4-7 (NIV UK)

Oh LORD thank you that You continually renew and regenerate our hearts and souls if we let You! Please help us to see what an amazing being You are – full of strength, yet loving, merciful and so, so generous to us every hour of every day. May Your Holy Name be always praised in our hearts and in our church community of St. Mark's. Amen.

Pray for each individual involved in **ALPHA** that they will have a renewed sense of the LORD's blessing, presence and His loving joy in them... **Praise the LORD** that our God cares for those who feel hopeless and lost.

Praise for **The Gathering** and for everyone who is a part of this community... **Pray** that they will hear His words for them and grow in knowledge, love, grace and wisdom in their walk with **Jesus**.

Pray for all those who are being affected by BREXIT... **Ask the LORD** to bring His healing peace, so that a fair deal for Britain and the EU can be done.

Pray for **Tim & Trish Barrow** as they continue to learn what the LORD has in store for them day by day... **Praise** for all that the LORD does through them, which meets the needs of the wider church.

Pray for all those affected by the Indonesian earthquake and tsunami that happened on the central island of Sulawesi.

Bring to the LORD any situation whether in our church family, locally, nationally or internationally that you care about... **Praise that we can say to the LORD**, "Restore us, God Almighty; make Your face shine upon us, that we may be saved." (Psalm 80:7)

Praise the LORD for the beauty of Autumn, "May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in His works" (Psalm 104:31)

Praise – Charmaine writes, "I have been meaning to email re prayer list for my husband Leon. He has a new job now which is working well. Just wanted to thank everyone for their prayers. Praise God for His power in this situation. The prayer request can be removed from MARKtime... What a wonderful LORD, Saviour and friend we have when we take everything back to Him in prayer!

Pray for **Keith Sheepwash** who recently had surgery... for **The Thom family** with recent bereavements and **Derick Thom's sister-in-law Iris** who has lung and liver cancer... for **Gill Marchand and family** after Peter went to be with the LORD... 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 **June Bloor and family** on the sad passing of **Trevor**.

Please pray for: Tim & Trish Barrow & The Gathering

Bible readings for October 2018

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 8 th	98	2 Kings 17.24-end	Philippians 1.1-11
Tues 9 th	106	2 Kings 18.1-12	Philippians 1.12-end
Weds 10 th	111	2 Kings 18.13-end	Philippians 2.1-13
Thurs 11 th	115	2 Kings 19.1-19	Philippians 2.14-end
Fri 12 th	139	2 Kings 19.20-36	Philippians 3.1-4.1
Sat 13 th	121	2 Kings 20	Philippians 4.2-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!**

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)