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

Living for Jesus; Loving Gillingham;
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Mission Focus: Carri MacFarlane

St. Mark's Event:
Remembrance Service

11th November 2018



3rd Sunday before Advent

We warmly welcome Deputy Mayor and Mayoress Cllr Habib Tejan and Mrs Bridget Tejan, Mr Rehman Chishti MP, Cllr Andy Stamp, Cllr Dan McDonald, Cllr Clive Johnson and Mr Paul Collins Royal British Legion to our

Remembrance Service this morning.

Please note that there is no creche or refreshments during this morning's service.

10.30am: Remembrance Sunday – 100 years since the WW1 guns fell silent and the war ended.

Help is required in putting the church back together and transport the extra chairs back to the Old Vicarage site, thank you.

Please note parents need to collect their children from their Sunday groups today.

6.30pm: Bible Study Stream – Psalm 22

Other Services:

11.00am: Morning Worship, St Mary's Island

3.00pm: Charing House

5.00pm: St Mark's House

7.30pm-9.15pm: Summit (was 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 DURING THIS WEEK:

Weds 14th Nov: 9.00am Holy Communion, in Church

9.45am: Ladies Group, Old Vicarage

1.15pm: Parent & Toddlers, Vicarage Hall

6.30pm-8.30pm: Differently Able, (was Faith & Light) will be attending Saints Alive.

Thurs 15th Nov: 1.00pm-3.00pm Foodbank, Church

7.00pm-9.15pm: ALPHA, Old Vicarage

Fri 16th Nov: 6.15pm: Kidz Klub, ages 7-11, Old Vicarage

Sat 17th Nov: 7.00am-8.00am: Standing in the Gap, an early morning intercessory session seeking God's face in families, youth & children's ministry. Running every Saturday morning, Old Vicarage. Please contact Dammy or Tim for more info.

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

10.00am-12.00noon: Foodbank, Church

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

NEXT SUNDAY 18th Nov:

2nd Sunday before Advent

10.30am: Service of the Word – BELLS SERIES: Learn

6.30pm: Workshop Stream – Discipleship & Learning

Other Services:

11.00am: Morning Worship, St Mary's Island

7.30pm-9.15pm: Summit (was Landmark)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 19th Nov: 8.00pm-9.00pm in Church, You are invited to observe the PCC meeting from 8.00 pm to 9.00 pm, after which Confidential business would be discussed in the closed meeting.

Thurs 20th Dec: 7.30pm Men's Curry Night, Old Vicarage. This is a bring and share event. Please speak to Dammy for more information.

FAMILY NEWS

PLEASE KEEP CLOSE WATCH ON YOUR POSSESSIONS – we had something stolen again recently.



Please find the link to the website for Reach:

https://stmarksgillingham.org/Articles/530774/Reach_at_Gillingham.aspx thank you

Please note the office will be closed until 1pm on Weds 21st November due to out of office training.

Confirmation is a special church service in which a person confirms the promises that were made when they were baptized. If you were baptized at a christening when you were a child, your parents and godparents made these promises on your behalf. As a young person or adult, you may be ready to affirm these promises for yourself and commit your life to follow Jesus Christ.

At a confirmation service, you make these promises for yourself. Your friends and family, as well as your church family, will be there to promise to support and pray for you.

Bishop Simon Burton-Jones will lay his hands on your head and ask God's Holy Spirit to give you the strength and commitment to live God's way for the rest of your life. If you would like to get confirmed on Sunday 2nd December 2018 please speak to Monica Shergill, Amanda or Saju.

POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER



"Give me understanding and I will obey Your instructions; I will put them into practice with all my heart. Make me walk along the path of Your commands, for that is where my happiness is found." Psalm 119:34-35 (New Living Translation)

LORD thank you that in You there is wisdom, love and security if only we allow You to govern our lives and place us on Your holy path to salvation, joy and peace through Your saving grace through Your son Jesus Christ. Amen.



Give thanks for all the sacrifices that our armed forces and their families make in times of war and peace and for the many roles they are expected to fill in difficult circumstances all over the world... **Pray**

for all our guests who are sharing today's **Remembrance Service** with us today especially those who may find this service particularly challenging, or who are hurting for whatever reason.

Pray for our government, our local MP Mr Rehman Chishti, our Councilors at Medway Council and anyone else you know of in power of any kind will have wisdom in how they use their resources, time and finance... **Praise** for all the hard work that these people/organizations do for the greater good of all.

Pray for the **BREXIT** negotiations that a fair deal for both sides will be achieved.

Pray for all those who have been attending **ALPHA** these past weeks will have a new understanding of the LORD's love for them and put into practice what they have learned during this course for their future happiness.

Pray for our Mission Partner, **Carri MacFarlane** (who is working in India) for encouragement, protection and finance... for the young girls who are learning life skills will come to know Jesus as their personal saviour and friend.

Pray for the **PCC meeting** happening in church on Mon 19th Nov.

Pray for the victims of gun/knife crimes and their families... **Ask the LORD** to be with each grieving family, their friends and their wider community... for solutions to this terrible problem.

Pray for all those who are persecuted for their religious beliefs or are abused for their life style choices or their culture in this country and around the world.

Bring to the LORD any situation whether in our church family, locally, nationally or internationally that you care about...**Praise LORD because,** "The LORD is good to all; He has compassion on all He has made." (Psalm 145.9)

Pray for **Sheryl Gowan** recently diagnosed with lung cancer... for **Keith Sheepwash**... 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** ... for **Terence Herbert** who has cancer... for **June Bloor and family**... anyone you know who needs the LORD at this time for whatever reason.

Please pray for: Carri MacFarlane & the Remembrance Service

Bible readings for November 2018

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 12 th	20	Daniel 4.19-end	Revelation 5
Tues 13 th	21	Daniel 5.1-12	Revelation 6
Weds 14 th	23	Daniel 5.13-end	Revelation 7.1-4, 9-end
Thurs 15 th	26	Daniel 6	Revelation 8
Fri 16 th	32	Daniel 7.1-14	Revelation 9.1-12
Sat 17 th	33	Daniel 7.15-end	Revelation 9.13-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)