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

Living for Jesus; Loving Gillingham;
Learning Together

Mission Focus: Jon Friday short-term Mission to India

St. Mark's Event:
Film Club

10th February 2019

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4th Sunday before Lent.

10.30am: Holy Communion – Weight of Discouragement on the Long Walk

Bible Reading: Numbers 12:1-16

6.30pm: Bible Study Stream, Ephesians with Martyn Saunders

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 to pray or share concerns with someone, then prayer teams are available in the small chapel at the front of church.*

WHAT'S ON DURING THIS WEEK:

Mon 11th Feb: 9.00am-12 noon **Open Church Worship Morning,** Term time only, with Dan Saunders. Open for the community to come in sit and listen to worship, pray and share a cup of tea or coffee

7.45pm **PCC,** Old Vicarage

Weds 13th Feb: 9.00am **Holy Communion** in church

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

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

6.30pm-8.30pm: **Peace & Hope,** (formerly Faith & Light) in Vicarage Hall

Thurs 14th Feb: 1.00pm-3.00pm **Foodbank,** Church

Fri 15th Feb: 6.15pm **Kidz Klub,** ages 7-11, Old Vicarage

Sat 16th Feb: 7.00am-8.00am **Standing in the Gap – Praying for families, youth & children's ministries,** Old Vicarage.

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

Small Groups/Home Groups meet in various locations at different times throughout the week. Please contact Pauline at church if you would like more information.

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

Please beware that there are mousetraps around the church. No harm will come from touching them but please don't let children play with them.

SUNDAY 17th February 2019:



3rd Sunday before Lent

10.30am: Service of the Word – What made Joshua and Caleb different?

Bible Reading: Numbers 13:1-33

6.30pm: "Stress Proof" your life taster session, Church

Other Services:

11.00am: Morning Worship, St Mary's Island

7.30pm-9.15pm: Summit (was Landmark)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat 23rd Feb: 8.45am-10.45am **Men's Breakfast,** continental style breakfast to be held in the Vicarage Hall. Speak to Dammy for any additional information.

Sun 24th Feb: 10.30am **Saju Muthalaly's Licensing happening during the morning service –** more details to follow...

Friday 8th March: 7.45pm-9.30pm **Ladies Social,** Charity Swap Shop, Old Vicarage more details to follow



FAMILY NEWS

JOB OPPORTUNITY – Ministry Intern and Administrator @ St Mark's Church, Gillingham: This will be for 4 hours per day, 5 days a week on an 11 month fixed term contract. Salary: £11,252 p.a. pro rata. The closing date for applications is Mon 18th Feb 2019 with interviews during the week of the 18th Feb.

The successful candidate will be exploring the possibility of ordained ministry and thus will have the opportunity to shadow and work closely with the Vicar to gain a fuller understanding of the role. The role will also include Vicars Personal Assistant and aspects of Operations Management, so needs to have excellent computer and organisational skills. They would have the ability to work independently or as part of a team.

Further details from Saju Muthalaly (vicar) or Helen Towers (Church Warden) and an Application Form can be obtained from Ellie Oparaku in the Church Office.

Are you single and would like support from Christians who are in the same situation? Want to look deeper into how to serve God in Singleness? Then speak to Samuel Wilkins for more details.

Thank you to all those who purchased Tearfund Christmas cards. We raised £116.10

Believers full emersion Baptism – to be held on **Easter Sunday**. If you are in a place with God where this feels right for you, please speak to Saju, Amanda or Katie.

Long Walk to Freedom booklet can be found on our webpage www.stmarksgillingham.org under resources and then choosing documents.

POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER



"The greatest among you will be your servant. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." Matthew 23:11-12 (NIV UK)

Thank you Jesus, that You showed me the way of humility by becoming the 'Son of Man', a servant to reach me with Your precious saving grace. You love perfectly please help me to learn to love, share and be more compassionate like You, my holy saviour, God and King. Amen.

Continue to pray for BREXIT as time is running out for a fair and just agreement.

Pray for encouragement for **Jon Friday** in his **short-term Mission to India** and that the LORD will enable Jon to be in the right place at the right time to do His will.

Praise that there were more families that came to **Film Club** this month and that they are beginning to become a community... **Pray** that more families will get to know about **Film Club** and will want to take part.

Pray for the "Stress Proof" your life taster session happening in Church next Sunday at 6.30pm.

Praise for the **Open Church Worship Morning** happening tomorrow... **Ask the LORD** to bring the people He wants to come and that He will reach their hearts with His loving grace.

Pray for the person that the LORD has already chosen will feel a calling to apply for the **Ministry Intern and Administrator's position** here in St. Mark's Church... **Ask the LORD** to be with those who are conducting the interviews, so that they can appoint His chosen candidate.

Pray for the Reach Team as they learn 'how to be church' at Gillingham Pier and the new developments at Chatham Waters... **Praise** for the welcome from local businesses... the small beginnings that the LORD has provided... that nothing is impossible for God. (Luke 18:27)

Continue to pray for the people of **Zimbabwe** concerning the brutal government crackdown... **Ask the LORD** to change hearts and minds from violence to peaceful dialogue that brings relief to the suffering and answers to the problems.

Bring to the LORD any situation whether in our church family, locally, nationally or internationally that you care about...**Praise**, "O LORD, You protect me and save me; Your care has made me great, and Your power has kept me safe." (Psalm 18:35 Good News Translation)

Pray for **Keith Sheepwash** whose radiotherapy is on hold for a couple of weeks while other checks are made... for **Steve Burtrand** for **Raymond Shergill's Dad** recovering from pneumonia... for **Melanie & Graham Davis' daughter in law Yung** having an operation on 12th Feb... for **Kate Delaney** ... for **Promise Anga**... for **Derick Thom's sister-in-law Iris**... for **Sheryl Gowan** ... for **Terence Herbert**... for **June Bloor & family**...for **Michael Stacey**... for anyone you know who needs the LORD at this time for whatever reason.

Please pray for: Jon Friday short-term Mission to India, Film Club Unity

Bible readings for February 2019

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 11 th	30	1 Chronicles 28.1-10	John 15.1-11
Tues 12 th	36	1 Chronicles 28.11-end	John 15.12-17
Weds 13 th	34	1 Chronicles 29.1-9	John 15.18-end
Thurs 14 th	37	1 Chronicles 29.10-20	John 16.1-15
Fri 15 th	31	1 Chronicles 29.21-end	John 16.16-22
Sat 16 th	42	2 Chronicles 1.1-13	John 16.23-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 through the second door on the left, at the front of church (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)