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

Living for Jesus; Loving Gillingham;
Learning Together

Mission Focus: Katy Barnwell

St. Mark's Event:

LET LOOSE 2019

14th July 2019

SUNDAY 14th July:

4th Sunday after Trinity

10.30am: **Holy Communion**

Taboo 8: You have heard it said "young people are jobs" but I say to you...

6.30pm: **Bible Stream** with Tim Barrow

Other Services:

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

7.00pm-8.30pm: **Summit** – Scavenger Hunt, Old Vic, last one until after the summer

Prayer Ministry: If you would like to pray or share concerns with someone, prayer teams are available in the small chapel at the front of church.

Monday-Friday during term time, St. Mark's Preschool, Vicarage Hall – Children need to be registered first. Open Mon, Tues, Thurs, 9.15am-3.15pm Weds & Fri 9.15am-12.15pm.

WHAT'S ON DURING THIS WEEK:

Mon 15th July: 7.45pm **PCC**, Old Vicarage

Weds 17th July: 9.00am **Holy Communion**, in church

9.45am: **Ladies Group**, Old Vicarage, last one until after the summer

6.30pm: **Peace & Hope** end of term BBQ, Vicarage Hall

Thurs 18th July: 1.00pm-3.00pm **Foodbank**, in church

Fri 19th July: 6.15pm-7.30pm **Kidz Klub**, Old Vicarage

Pre-school closes for the summer.

Sat 20th July: 7.00am-8.00am **Standing in the Gap** – Praying for families, youth & children's ministries, Old Vicarage

9.30am-11.30am 'Who Let the Dad's Out?'

Cancelled until further notice

10.00am-noon: **Foodbank**, in church

SUNDAY 21th July:

5th Sunday after Trinity

10.30am: **Service of the Word**

Taboo 9: You have heard it said "there are disabled people in the church, we must get it right" but I

say to you...

6.30pm: **Workshop Stream** – Apologetics discussion **How on Earth?**

Other Services:

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 26th July: 1.00pm-4.00pm **LET LOOSE**

2019. It's the 5th anniversary and it is themed **NEW BEGINNINGS.** This is a fun, free event happening in Gillingham High Street!



Sept 1st-8th: 24/7 Prayer

Encounter, in church

Making time and space to encounter God in prayer.

God wants to spend time with us even more than we want to spend time with him. This is a mind-blowing truth.

ALPHA Returns!

Running from 10th Sept – 19th Nov. New team, new approach, new venue!

New exciting experiences to learn and share.

Do you have questions? Do you know someone who has?

Please speak to Jeff Maskell, Simon Morbey, Katie Jenkins, Keith Sheepwash or Belinda Beckhelling for more information or if you would like to be involved. Alternatively email the office at

admin@stmarksgillingham.org

FAMILY NEWS

The Accounts for 2018 have now been independently Examined and Approved. They can be viewed on the St. Mark's website under 'Resources'. Glyn Allen, Treasurer

If you require a Gift Aid certificate to enable you to complete your 2018/2019 tax return please let John Beck, the Gift Aid Secretary, know and he will provide you with one.

Email: jabeck42@blueyonder.co.uk

Volunteers needed to join the Sound Desk Please Speak to Chris Blewitt.

Volunteers also needed for bible stream. Please speak to David Wilkins or Rob Byrne if you can help out.

Please clean up after yourself

If you or your child makes a mess, please help us all by tidying up. There is a dustpan and brush at the back of the church and ask any of the duty staff if you need a vacuum cleaner.

The church is our collective responsibility and I am sure that we have all been on the receiving end of a messy church where we have had to clean up after the previous user before we can run our activity.

God calls us to serve each other, to love and care for each other





POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

"You who are young, be happy while you are young, and let your heart give you joy in the days of your youth.

Follow the ways of your heart and whatever your eyes see, but know that for all these things God will bring you into judgment."
Ecclesiastes 11:9 (NIV)

Our father who gave us life, we pray for remembrance of when we too were young and not to judge the youth of today. For so many are strong, wise and love you dearly just as we do. Let them live their lives and at the end of the day remember you. We keep youth close to our heart and pray for protection on them, Amen.

Pray for our government, for a leader who will take our country forwards into a good place with an understanding of what our countries people need.

Pray for more leaders for **Children & Youth Ministry**... **Ask the LORD** to encourage, protect and bless everyone involved with this important ministry and especially encourage and rise up the next generation of leaders for His glory.

Praise for our Mission Partner **Katy Barnwell** and for all answers to prayer she has received in writing the new edition of the 'Bible Translation Training Textbook' and the Teacher's Manual' that goes with it... **Pray** for all the new trainers and students using this powerful resource to bring God's Holy Word alive in every language on earth... **Ask the LORD** to protect, encourage and bless each one so that they can, 'declare Your [LORD] power to the next generation, Your mighty acts to all who are to come.'

Pray for the **24/7 prayer week** taking place in September. For people to want to spend quality time together with our father and build on their relationship through the importance of prayer. Give **Praise** and thanks for those leading it, **Lynne**

Martin, Luke & Martha Prankard, Fray Darji, Matt Keeler.

Continue to pray for **Derick Thom's sister-in-law Iris** and **Derick's cousin** who has recently lost his wife due to a massive heart attack... **Ask the LORD** to be with all members of the Thom family at this very difficult time.

Pray for **Martin's Mum** who is in hospital with heart problems... also remember the wider family.

Pray for **Michael Stacey** who has been readmitted to Medway hospital with dehydration...**Pray** for Michael to have a good recovery and ongoing aftercare.

Pray for **Karen Dyer**, her sister **Debbie** and the rest of the family after the sudden death of Debbie's husband John last Thursday.

Pray for all the preparations that are still needed for **LET LOOSE 2019** and for all the resources for this event... **Ask the LORD** to prepare hearts and minds to be open to His saving grace through music, His holy Word and the sheer joy in praising His Holy Name... **Praise** that we can, "*Speak[...] to one another with psalms, hymns and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from [our] hearts to the LORD*" (Ephesians 5:19).

Pray for **Margaret Howlett**... for **Lucy Day's sister Wendy**... for **Trish Martin**... for **Keith Sheepwash**... for **Steve Burtrand** who has a pelvis fracture... for **Melanie & Graham Davis' daughter in law Yung** ... for **Kate Delaney**... for **Promise Anga and his family**... for the **family and friends of Rachel Littlewood**... for anyone you know who needs the LORD at this time for whatever reason.

Bring to the LORD any situation whether in our church family, locally, nationally or internationally that you care about... **LORD** thank you that, "*You guide me with Your counsel, and afterwards You will take me into glory.*" (Psalm 73:24)

Please pray for: Tim & Tricia Barrow; LET LOOSE 2019

Bible readings for July 2019

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 15th	80	Nehemiah 4	Romans 14.13-end
Tues 16th	89.1-18	Nehemiah 5	Romans 15.1-13
Weds 17th	119.105-128	Nehemiah 6.1-7.4	Romans 15.14-21
Thurs 18th	92	Nehemiah 7.73b-end of 8	Romans 15.22-end
Fri 19th	88	Nehemiah 9.1-23	Romans 16.1-16
Sat 20th	97	Nehemiah 9.24-end	Romans 16.17-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 9.15am-1.15pm (by appointment only)