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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: Katy Barnwell

St. Mark's Event:

LET LOOSE 2019

21<sup>st</sup> July 2019

## SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> July:



5<sup>th</sup> 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**

7.00pm-8.30pm: **Summit** -See you in September, 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:

**Weds 24<sup>th</sup> July:** 9.00am **Holy Communion**, in church

**Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> July:** 1.00pm-3.00pm **Foodbank**, in church

**Fri 26<sup>th</sup> July:** 1.00pm-4.00pm **LET LOOSE 2019**. It's the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary and it is themed NEW BEGINNINGS. This is a fun, free event happening in Gillingham High Street!

**Sat 27<sup>th</sup> July:** 7.00am-8.00am **Standing in the Gap** - *Praying for families, youth & children's ministries*, Old Vicarage

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

## SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> July:

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

10.30am: **Service of the Word**

Taboo 9: You have heard it said "religion and politics should not mix but I say to you..."

5.30pm: **Church in the Pub - King George V, Brompton**

6.30pm: **No evening service**

Other Services:

11.00am: **Family Service, St Mary's Island**

Where  
God guides,  
He provides  
ISAIAH 58:11

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug:** **Peace & Hope's Social to Sheerness**

**Sun 4<sup>th</sup> August:** 10.30am **All Age Services throughout August**, theme **Special Agents** starting with "Peter walks on water", Church

**Mon 19<sup>th</sup> - Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug:** 10.00am-2.00pm **Mission Rescue** (Children's Holiday Club), Old Vicarage Site, Cost £10 per week for 1 child & £5 for each additional child in the family. Please contact Simon on [simonmorbey@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:simonmorbey@stmarksgillingham.org) thank you.

**Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Sept:** **Peace & Hope's Picnic**

**Sept 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>:** **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.



**Weds 4<sup>th</sup> Sept:** 9.00am **Holy Communion** in church restarts

**Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Sept:** 9.15am-3.15pm St. Mark's Preschool restarts

**Weds 11<sup>th</sup> Sept:** 9.00am **Holy Communion** in church

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

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

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

**Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Sept:** 6.15pm-7.30pm **Kidz Klub**, Old Vicarage restarts

**Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Sept:** **All Children's and Youth Groups** restart

**Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Oct:** 6.30pm **Confirmation & Baptism**

**Service** conducted by Bishop James - the deadline to let us know if you wish to be either baptised or confirmed is Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. Classes will be held on Sundays 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Sept between 4.00pm-6.30pm @ Costa Coffee.

## FAMILY NEWS

**Please note that there will not be any Wednesday Communion or Sunday Evening Services through August.**

**ALPHA Returns!** Running from 10<sup>th</sup> Sept - 19<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:admin@stmarksgillingham.org)

**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**

Please tidy up after your children and keep God's House – our church clean. 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.

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

**POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER**



**"I (Paul) want them to be strengthened and joined together with love so that they may be rich in their understanding. This leads to their knowing fully God's secret, that is, Christ Himself." Colossians 2:2 (New Century Version)**

**Thank you LORD Jesus that in You we are totally complete and are united as one, whatever our culture, capabilities or weaknesses for Your glory's sake Amen.**

**Pray** for our government, Medway Council and church leaders that they will hear the voice of the LORD and bring unity, peace and community to all irrespective of divisions.

**Pray** for our Mission Partner **Katy Barnwell** as she listens to what the LORD has instore for her ministry day by day... **Praise** for the gifts and talents that the LORD has equipped her with in translating His Holy Word the Bible into many new languages... **Ask the LORD** to encourage, protect and provide for all her needs this week.

**Pray** for the **24/7 prayer week** taking place in September... **Ask the LORD** to re-ignite our love for Him in prayer, thought and thankfulness... 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 **Karen Dyer**, her sister **Debbie** and the rest of the family after the sudden death of Debbie's husband John.

**Pray** for all the last minute preparations that are still needed for **LET LOOSE 2019** and for all the resources for this event... **Ask the LORD** to bring unity of purpose, His love, joy and grace to all involved and for everyone passing by... **Praise** that we can, *"Sing for joy to God our strength, shout aloud to the God of Jacob!" (Psalm 81:1)* for His glory's sake.

**Pray** for **Margaret Howlett...** for **Michael Stacey...** for **Martin's Mum...** 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:** Katie Barnwell; LET LOOSE 2019 <

**Bible readings for July 2019**

Day	Psalm	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup>	30	1 Samuel 16.14-end	Luke 8.1-3
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup>	106	Nehemiah 13.1-14	2 Corinthians 1.15-2.4
Weds 24 <sup>th</sup>	110	Nehemiah 13.15-end	2 Corinthians 2.5-end
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup>	7	2 Kings 1.9-15	Luke 9.46-56
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup>	139	Esther 2	2 Corinthians 4
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup>	120	Esther 3	2 Corinthians 5

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)**