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

Living for Jesus; Loving Gillingham;
Learning Together

Mission Focus: Francis & Diane
Dognon; The Fisherman Trust

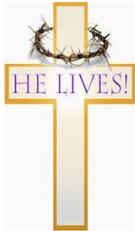
St. Mark's Event:
Easter Services

12th April 2020

SUNDAY 12th April:

Happy Easter

Please note that all Sunday morning services will be livestreamed on Facebook for the foreseeable future - thank you.



10.30am: Easter Sunday
Theme: Created and called to be Easter people

6.30pm: No Evening Service

No St Mary's Island services until further notice

No Rock Ministry or Summit this week

Please be aware that St Mark's Pre-school is closed due to the coronavirus.

WHAT'S ON DURING THIS WEEK:

Please note that due to the Coronavirus no groups or meetings other than Foodbank will be taking place until further notice.

Mon-Sat: 9am Reflection with Amanda Maskell and compline at **8pm, both online**

Thurs 16th April: 1.00pm-3.00pm: Foodbank in Church

Sat 18th April: 10.00am-noon: Foodbank, in church

SUNDAY 19th April:

Easter Week



Love. Grow. Serve.

10.30am: Service of the Word

Theme: **Created with Jesus' DNA**

Reading: Ephesians 4:11-16

6.30pm: No Evening Service

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FAMILY NEWS

Denise Young would like to make a list of people she can call on if someone walks into church and does not speak English. Please let her know if you are happy to be on the list and what language/s you speak. Many thanks.



Karen Turnbull, Community Pastor writes, "Dear everyone, I have now set up a space on Trello for our virtual prayer room, and registered it with 2477 as a virtual prayer room. Trello allows you to post messages on boards. So far I have created:

**"praise and thanksgiving"
"prayers for healing"
"organisations in Gillingham"**

There is also a link to the google doc for those who wish to pray at the same time every week.

This is the link for you (or any other Christian in gillingham) to sign up.
<https://trello.com/invite/virtualprayerroom/gillinghamkent/c20516eb1f562b857add6f687ff2f996>

Thank you for your time
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Gillingham – The Good Neighbour Scheme from the Salvation Army. If you can help or more information please see the link below:
<https://gillinghamcorps.info/GoodNeighbour/>
Harris writes, "I would like to make you aware of the Good Neighbour scheme which we've just launched as a response to this crisis. It is a scheme by which we aim to recruit volunteers and then match them with homes in isolation in order to help them with shopping and things like this."

Paul Smith asks, "Please can you help Foodbank by providing more carrier bags as well as your donated items? Thank you again everyone for your help."

St Mark's Website Message Board

Please send any messages, pictures, stories, links, requests, news etc, to:
message@stmarksgillingham.org
These will be posted on our website for encouragement, information and advice.



Bibles over breakfast re-starts on **Saturday 25th April 11am** via Zoom. This is aimed at 14-18yr olds. Please contact
simonmorbey@stmarksgillingham.org

Wash Bag Appeal for NHS workers. Can you help?
 For full details please go to our website
www.stmarksgillingham.org under Latest News.
 Thank you.



POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

"Many, LORD my God are the wonders You have done, the things You planned for us. None can compare with You; were I to speak and tell of Your deeds, they would be too many to declare." Psalm 40:5 (NIV UK)

Oh LORD God how can I ever thank you enough for dying for my sins and rising again to be my advocate in heaven, so that I can come into Your very presence through Jesus Christ Your Son and leaving the precious gift of Your Holy Spirit in me. One God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit – 3 persons divine. Such glorious wonders to declare! Amen

Praise the LORD for His many blessings and for the wonderful being He truly is – yesterday, today and forever.

Praise the LORD for His 'many wonders' – for coronavirus has inspired a gangland truce in the notorious, gang – infected townships around Cape Town, South Africa. These gang members are delivering food to struggling households instead of drugs!

Pray for our Mission Partners Francis & Diane Dognon in France and the Fisherman Trust in India as coronavirus continues to spread fear, pain and hardship in these countries... Ask the LORD to bless everyone involved and give all the necessary resources to do His will.

Pray for those who are struggling to 'stay home' whether from mental illness, special needs or domestic abuse... Ask the LORD to help them find the correct help for each situation... Praise the LORD God who cares, "For you, LORD have delivered me from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling, that I may walk before the LORD in the land of the living." (Psalm 116:8-9)

Pray for all those affected by Covid 19... Lisa Higham's friend Charlie on a ventilator in Medway Hospital and his wife & young daughter... for Karen Turnbull & Husband who have both had Covid 19, but need to return to full health...

Amanda's sister who is picking up extra work from her boss who has just lost her husband & sister-in-law to Covid 19... Amanda's cousin Sandra who is unable to receive treatment for breast cancer due to the virus... Amanda's friends Jill, Charlie & her husband...

Continue to pray for Saju who is in India with his parents with the country due to lock-down ... for his wife Katy and the children here in Gillingham... Ask the LORD to bless the whole family at this challenging time.

Praise that Jane Bannar-Martin's son Tim has recovered and is due to return to work and her daughter-in-law Jenny whose health condition has improved, but still waiting for a MRI Scan.

Praise that Pauline Jackson's son-in-law Peter and daughter Laura have recovered from Covid 19 and are returning to work... Pray for Pauline's other daughter Cathy who is unwell and awaiting C-19 test results.

Pray for Rod & Jenny White and their son Stuart after Stuart's wife Beverley sadly passed away recently... Ask the LORD to be with the whole White family at this very sad time.

Pray for wisdom in making difficult decisions re treatment for Katie Jenkins' Step-Mum Clare... for Katie's Dad who wasn't allowed to go to the consultant with his wife... for the whole family who can't be physically together for hugs and support at this very hard and painful time.

Pray for Richard & Jane Tolhurst and their family, as Richard's mum passed away recently... for Tricia Martin's family & friends... for Gay Gower... for Sathish at SMIC... for Michael Stacey... for Paul Smith... and Keith Sheepwash...for Stan & Linda Brown ... and 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... Praise "You LORD, hear the desire of the afflicted; You encourage them, and You listen to their cry." (Psalm 10:17) Our God cares alleluia praise the LORD.

Please pray for: Francis & Diane Dognon; The Fisherman Trust; Easter Services

Bible readings for April 2020

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 13 th	111	Exodus 12.1-14	1 Corinthians 15.1-11
Tues 14 th	112	Exodus 12.14-36	1 Corinthians 15.12-19
Weds 15 th	113	Exodus 12.37-end	1 Corinthians 15.20-28
Thurs 16 th	114	Exodus 13.1-16	1 Corinthians 15.29-34
Fri 17 th	115	Exodus 13.17-14.14	1 Corinthians 15.35-50
Sat 18 th	116	Exodus 14.15-end	1 Corinthians 15.51-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!

The Church Office is closed to visitors until further notice, but staff working hours are:
 Mon 11.00am-3.00pm (staff team meeting takes place from 9.30am-11.00am), Tues & Weds 10.00am-2.00pm,
 Thurs 10.00am-3.00pm, Fri 9.15am-1.15pm