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**THIS SUNDAY | 16th MAY****MORNING SERVICE | 10.30am**In Church & Online**FIVE MARKS OF MISSION | TRANSFORM**

Speaker: Saju

Reading: Isaiah 58:1-10

Park Bench: Chris Gladwell & Glyn

Sermon Series Booklet

The church building is now open for services. You will need to book if you wish to attend in person.

www.stmarksgillingham.org/booking

The church car park will not be open on Sunday mornings as this area is used as a main exit and safely set up for after church fellowship.

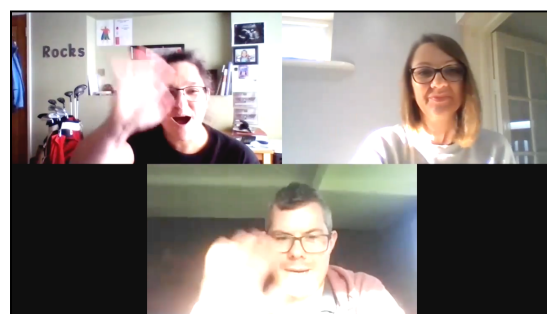
All services will also be live streamed on our [Facebook Page](#).

**CHILDREN & YOUTH GROUPS****GEMS & PEBBLES | 9am | Facebook**

Join for another fun filled video from the team. [Watch on facebook](#)

SUMMIT | 6pm | In Person

[Email Simon for details](#)



Sing Your Heart Out Outdoor Worship



Sun 16th May | 6.30pm
St Mark's car par

Booking required:
www.stmarksgillingham.org/outdoorbooking

OUTDOOR WORSHIP

16th May | 6.30pm

[Church Car Park](#)

Sing your heart out! Due to restrictions, we haven't been able to sing in the church but we are allowed to sing outdoors. Because we have missed singing together we are hosting a sung worship service on 16th May 6.30pm in the car part where you can sing your heart out!

Booking is required.

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COMING WEEK



Thy Kingdom Come 13th - 23rd May

Thy Kingdom Come will happen from 13th - 23rd May. This global prayer movement invites Christians around the world to pray for more people to come to know Jesus. Find out more and see the local prayer meetings taking place in Gillingham:

www.stmarksgillingham.org/thykingdomcome



Standing in the Gap (Prayer meeting) Saturdays | 7-8am | Online

On Zoom, join us:

[Meeting ID: 223 851 1807 | Passcode: inthegap]



Daily Reflections & Prayers

Mondays - Saturdays | 9am & 8pm | [Online](#)

As of May the new schedule will be:

Morning Reflections | 9am | Mon, Wed, Fri

Evening Prayers | 8pm | Tues, Thurs, Sat

[Watch on our Facebook Page](#)

Open for Private Prayer

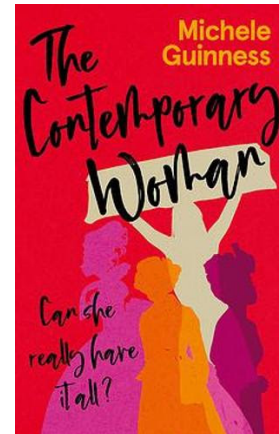


Tuesdays | 10am-12pm | Church

The church will be open for private prayer.

NEWS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Due to working restrictions access to the **Old Vicarage** is only available when necessary. If you require access to the building please first contact the office: **01634 570489**. Please do not drop by without prior arrangement.
- **Difference** is a free 5 session online course that explores what it means to follow Jesus in the face of conflict and see transformation through everyday encounters. The course starts on Mon 7th Jun 7.30pm. To book a place please email: medwaydeanerybookings@gmail.com.
- Michele Guinness has a new book out this week called *The Contemporary Woman: Can she really have it all?*
"In this all-embracing, honest reflection on womanhood Michele used her own upbringing in the Jewish community to re-examine the views and counterviews on the role of women throughout the Christian tradition and culture, drawing inspiration from Scripture, history and personal experience." It really is "For such a time as this" and Peter says men need to read it! You will be able to buy it from St Andrew's Bookshop soon, with a link on her website www.micheleguinness.co.uk for £9.99 instead of £14.99 (Amazon price).
- **Medway Foodbank** is in need of donations, please see link below for latest stock shortage list. The best way to donate food is via the [Spareable App](#) or use the drop off bins in supermarkets. [Click here for May/June Shopping List](#)
- On **6th June 2021**, there is going to be a confirmation Service in Gillingham Deanery conducted by Bishop James. **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 the local Christian community will be there to promise to support and pray for you. The local bishop will lay their 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're interested contact Vicki, vicarspa@stmarksgillingham.org

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

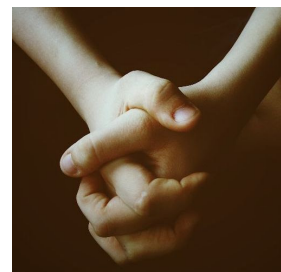
The World:

- **Israelis and Palestinians** with the escalation of discord, violence and the anguish of families in grief; **Mexico City** and the subway collapse and the community anger there; **India, Pakistan, Bangladesh & Nepal** with the ongoing tragedy of Covid-19; the **unfairly imprisoned &** those used as political pawns; the **UK Government, politicians and the Queen** who gives the Queen's Speech today; and for the people & situations on your own hearts. Let us stand with the grieving & the aggrieved, the angry & the despairing.
- **God's Church** - for our brothers & sisters around the world that as one falls, the Lord raise up an abundance of faithful, serving Christians.

Gillingham & Medway

- Lord, help us to 'love Gillingham' - pray for situations behind closed doors ... for the lonely & isolated, those caught in modern day slavery, for the coerced and manipulated, the abused and mistreated, and for the neglected or forgotten & the impoverished - may their situations come to light, their plights be alleviated and resolved, and may freedoms come in the seemingly impossible. Our God is a great big God!
- For church families, leaderships and congregations in communities - for wise teaching, inspired leadership, deepening faiths and the willing sharing of Christian lives.

*If you would like to be added to the **Prayer & Praise** email list to receive weekly praise reports and prayer requests from our church family please contact Kath Burtrand: kathyb.nana@yahoo.co.uk*



UPCOMING EVENTS



NEXT SUNDAY

23rd May | 10.30am

[In Church & Online](#)

FIVE MARKS OF MISSION | TREASURE

Speaker: Haris Giannaros

Reading: Psalm 8



GOSPEL NIGHT

30th May | 6.30pm | [Online](#)

Lifter of My Head - A night of unhindered praise and worship led by a gospel band. With guest artist Karen Reeves-Toppin and guest speaker Rob Byrne. Watch live:

www.facebook.com/oluwamayowa.oynloye

www.youtube.com/channel/UCuYglGijkRi3PieFO2etPMw/videos



APCM

30th May | 4pm | [Online](#)

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting is coming up - put the date in your diary. We will elect our Churchwardens, Deanery Synod and PCC members and review the past year. If you wish to vote at the APCM you must be on the electoral roll of St Mark's.

https://www.stmarksgillingham.org/Articles/610188/Annual_Parochial_Church.aspx

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK



Taken a nice photo of Gillingham?
Send it to digitallead@stmarksgillingham.org to be featured in the newsletter.

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