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14 October 2021 at 12:09

**THIS SUNDAY | 17th OCT****MORNING SERVICE | 10.30am**
In Church & Online

Ruthless Elimination of Hurry |
Sabbath (Part 2)
Speaker: Rob Byrne
Reading: Exodus 20:8-11

CHILDREN & YOUTH GROUPS

GEMS & PEBBLES | 10.30am | Vicarage Hall
Parents can drop their children off from 10.15am and pick them up at 12pm.

SUMMIT | 7pm | Old Vicarage

**REVIVE**

A relaxed & intimate gathering for Christians & non-Christians alike, where no question about life or faith is off-limits!

Sun 19th Sept at 4pm. Tea/coffee served.

**REVIVE**

17th Oct | 4pm
Church

A relaxed and interactive gathering for Christians and non-Christians alike, where no question about life or faith is off-limits. Revive will not be live streamed.

Tea/coffee will be available.

COMING WEEK

Regular Activities

What ?	Where and When
<p>Mindfulness Club (from 27/09/21)</p> <p>Come and relax, have a cuppa, and learn how to bring peace to your mind by staying in the present moment.</p>	<p>Monday</p> <p>The Old Vic Vicarage Road Gillingham Mondays 7.30 - 9pm</p>  <p>Craft Club: St. Mark's Church (opposite Burger King) Gillingham</p>
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Community Groups

Throughout the week

Karen Turnbull, Community Pastor, runs a number of groups throughout the week. Email Karen for details karenturnbull@stmarksgillingham.org.

TUESDAYS	<p>Gillingham Frank Howard Tuesday Evenings Leader's Home</p>	<p>Gillingham Graham Davis Tuesday Evenings Old Vicarage</p>	<p>Parkwood Kath & Steve Burd 1st & 3rd Tuesday Evenings Leader's Home</p>	
WEDNESDAYS	<p>Ladies Group Jane Bannar-Martin Wednesday mornings Old Vicarage</p>	<p>Gillingham David Wilkins Wednesday Evenings Old Vicarage</p>	<p>Gillingham Paul Smith Wednesday Evenings Leader's Home</p>	<p>Gillingham Karen Turnbull Wednesday Evenings Leader's Home</p>
THURSDAYS	<p>Wigmore Alternate Thursday Evenings Various Homes</p>	<p>COMING SOON</p> <p>Parent's & Tots Rob & Alice Byrne Day TBA Zoom</p>		

Home Groups

Throughout the week

Joining a **home group** is a brilliant chance to meet and pray with others, build relationships, support one another, exchange views and explore God's word together. For details see the leaflets at the back at church or contact the office: admin@stmarksgillingham.org / 01634 570489



Standing in the Gap (Prayer meeting)

Saturdays | 7-8am | Online

On Zoom, join us online:
[Meeting ID: 223 851 1807 | Passcode: inthegap]



Open Church

Tuesdays | 10am-12pm | Church

Come along for a chat, fellowship, private prayer or craft club!. Refreshments will be served outside. Please be aware masks are advised. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Dammy via admin@stmarksgillingham.org.



Parent & Toddlers

Wednesdays | 1.15-2.45pm | Vicarage Hall

No need to book, just drop up.
Wednesdays in term time.

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



NEWS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- We'll be holding **Worship Team Meetings** for *anyone* who would like to be involved in the music on Sundays or the Christmas production, or if you are a current member of the worship team. Come along either **this evening at 7.30pm** in Church or **Sunday morning after the service**.

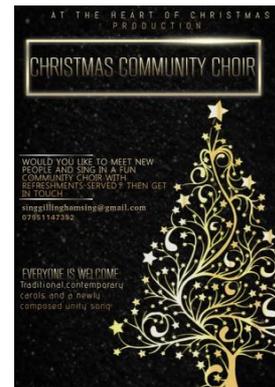
We want to be able to refresh and re-start a more normal arrangement of worship teams.

If a commitment to regular involvement isn't for you, then you may like to get involved in helping with the Christmas Production this year.

If you would like to be involved but can't attend please contact Graham, graham@gwilkins.co.uk.



- Want to get involved in the **Christmas Community Choir** for the Christmas Production on Sat 18th Dec? A chance to meet new people, sing in a group and share refreshments. Everyone is welcome. If you're interested get in touch with Mayowa: singgillinghamsing@gmail.com / 07951147352



- Sahaara India project Tearfund **Big Bake cake sale** fundraiser will be held on the **7th November 2021** at church after the morning service. A request for keen bakers to donate their favourite bakes toward the fundraiser. If baking is not for you donate your favourite shop biscuits. A list will be placed at the back of the church where keen bakers cake put their names and the type of cake/ biscuits they will donate. For more details please contact tearfund ambassadors: **Colette** [07852417173](tel:07852417173) or **Funmi** [07440067205](tel:07440067205)



- St Mark's **Holiday Club** will be running in October half term for children aged 5-10 years. There will be fun activities, games, crafts, reflection and a free hot lunch

provided.

TIME: 11am - 12.30pm

DATES: See website for session dates

COST: Free!

For more details and to sign up to go www.stmarksgillingham.org/holidayclub or call the office **01634 570489**.



- **Care for the Family** have a number of **online courses** on offer that cover a wide range of family topics. They have been running events for nearly 30 years, speaking to parents and couples all over the country in an effort to support and help those in all stages of family life. Their engaging, practical and experienced speakers aim to share helpful insights to support you and those you love. See their website for more details: www.careforthefamily.org.uk/events



- Would you like to join a **Prayer Trio**? A Trio is three people who meet weekly or fortnightly, online or in-person, to grow a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. For more info or to join a trio email **Damola:** dammy72001@yahoo.com



- This Christmas **Strood Gospel Mission** is running **Project Santa** to collect and distribute gifts to families in Medway that are in need. We are looking for someone to volunteer to coordinate the collect of gifts from members of St Mark's. If you are interested please contact the office: admin@stmarksgillingham.org / 01634 570489



- **Medway Foodbank** is in need of donations, please see link below for latest stock shortage list. Use the drop off bins in supermarkets. They are also in need of carrier bags. For more details see their website: www.medway.foodbank.org.uk.



- **The Pastoral Team** invite you to get connected by filling out their form and providing your details so that they can contact you. Paper form are available in church.



PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE WORLD:

- **Ethiopia** and the Tigray region where it's been reported that there is a concerted attempt to reinvade the region. **Cuba:** On 11 July **Maridilegnis's husband, Pastor Lorenzo Rosales Fajardo**, and their teenage son **David** took part in one of the

peaceful protests sweeping across Cuba. The protest was met with violence, and Pastor Lorenzo was one of several pastors arrested. **CSW is campaigning to free Pastor Lorenzo and bring justice to many others facing discrimination, persecution and worse for their beliefs ...** and pray for the people and places on your hearts.

GOD'S CHURCH:

- For Christians who may not be able to share their faith, that they are encouraged; for Christians with no access to God's Holy Word, that it may be made available to them; for those looking to bring God's Word in different languages and dialects. (See Mission Partners)
- **The PCC** and for those taking part, that their meetings, discussions and decisions are guided by the Lord. May the Lord bless them in this work and their responsibility.
- **Upcoming 24/7 Prayer Encounter Nov 21st-28th.** As Lynne coordinates this week of prayer, please pray for good preparation.

GILLINGHAM & MEDWAY:

- For our **Hospital, Support Services and the Emergency Services** - that they get adequate rest to cope in the ongoing challenges of these days; and that we show our appreciation and give encouragements.
- **Those needing support** - that God's love and righteousness surrounds them, that their needs are met; and for thoughtful provision to those living with, or supporting those with long term health needs/challenges.

*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

	<p>NEXT SUNDAY 24th Oct 10.30am In Church & Online</p> <p>Ruthless Elimination of Hurry Simplicity Speaker: Raymond Shergill Reading: Philippians 4:11-12</p>
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MESSY CHURCH

24th Oct | 2.30-4pm | Church

Messy Church is a way of being church for families



and others. It is Christ-centred, for all ages, based on creativity, hospitality and celebration. Join us every fourth Sunday of the month for crafts, stories, games, food and songs.

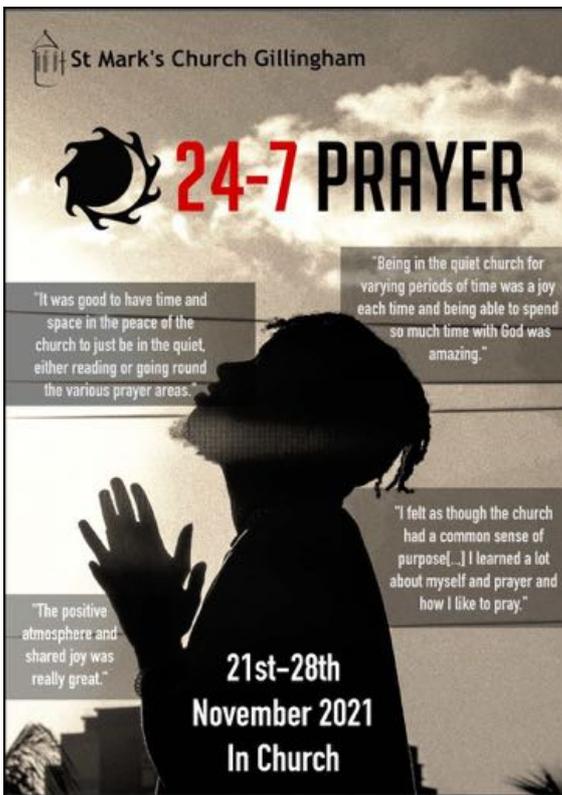


SAINTS ALIVE

31st Oct | 6.30-7.45pm

King's Church Chatham, New Road, ME4 6BB

A joint gathering of believers on the 31st October to worship, praise and pray together as we celebrate Jesus. It will be a hybrid service - streaming across all our platforms. It will be great to see you there.



24/7 PRAYER

21st - 28th Nov
Church

A whole week divided into hourly slots (168 hours!) with led sessions - morning reflections, worship, creativity and scripture reading, as well as free time for you to come and pray as the Lord leads, either on your own or with family/friends. There will be lots of resources for you to use, plus prayer stations to aid your prayers.

We're looking for people to help with practicalities (set up/ packing away/ tea & biscuit), manning the space or leading sessions.

For full details see our website: www.stmarksgillingham.org/24/7prayer or contact Lynne Martin: 07778 567097, thursdayschild59@yahoo.co.uk

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK



[MJ Praise Album Launch | 2nd Oct | St Mark's]

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

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