**THIS SUNDAY - 23rd October**

Service of the Word

10.30am

[In Church](https://stmarkschurchgillingham.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=46bb54ed63f99ec568b5d8210&id=22b4aaa882&e=1332508600)**,**[Facebook](https://stmarkschurchgillingham.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=46bb54ed63f99ec568b5d8210&id=39612f6b0c&e=1332508600)**&**[Youtube](https://stmarkschurchgillingham.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=46bb54ed63f99ec568b5d8210&id=878435608c&e=1332508600" \t "_blank)

Title: Service of the Word

Speaker: Ernie Mann

Reading: Luke 4:16-24

Click here for more details about Sunday services

<https://stmarksgillingham.org/Publisher/Article.aspx?ID=619949>

CHILDREN & YOUTH GROUPS

GEMS & PEBBLES

Children’s groups will be meeting this week. Parents can drop their children off at 10:30am and pick them up at 12pm.

SUMMIT | 6.30pm | Old Vicarage

Summit will meet as usual.

[More details about Youth](https://www.stmarksgillingham.org/Groups/268150/Youth.aspx)

THIS WEEK AT ST MARK'S

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Institution Service

TUESDAY 25 OCTOBER | 7.00pm | St Mark's Church & online

Institution of The Rev Catharina Olsson Gisleskog by the Bishop of Tonbridge

For more information CLICK HERE

<https://gillingham.churchinsight.com/Publisher/Article.aspx?ID=639839>

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. Take a look at the groups and sign up <https://www.stmarksgillingham.org/Groups/268148/Small_Groups.aspx> here.

Standing in the Gap (Prayer meeting)

Saturdays | 7 - 8am | Online

On Zoom, join us online here (https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2238511807?pwd=TU94WVN3cDlaSWxnejhHZTYxMTdvdz09) .

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

Open Church

Tuesday | 10am - 12pm | Church

Come along for a chat, fellowship or private prayer. Refreshments will be served.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact Dammy via admin@stmarksgillingham.org (mailto:admin@stmarksgillingham.org) .

Parent & Toddlers

Wednesdays / 1.15-2.45pm / Vicarage Hall

Fun space for children to play and for parents/guardians to connect. No need to book, just drop up. Wednesdays in term time.

The Gathering

Join the Junction Small Group for an intimate time with God and the Bible in the Old Vicarage on Wednesday evenings at 7.30 pm, on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in the month.

All welcome.

Dementia Cafe

26th October, 9th and 23rd November |1pm to 3pm | Church

Peace and Hope

Saturday 22nd October, 10:30am, Vicarage Hall

Light Party

Thursday 27th, 10am-12pm, St Mark's Vicarage Hall,

Ages 5-11

Email: chriscurtis@stmarksgillingham.org to register

KIDS GOSPEL CHOIR

Every Wednesday | 5.30-6.30pm | Church

CLICK HERE for more information

<https://gillingham.churchinsight.com/Articles/644871/_Kids_Gospel.aspx>

New Vicar Update

New Vicar for St Mark's Gillingham and St Mary's Island churches announced.

Click link for announcement details. <https://rb.gy/fn4xt5>

HELP NEEDED

Induction Service Tuesday 25 October.

Linda Smith has asked that people be asked to bake cakes, cheese scones/ cheese straws for the induction on 25 October. Could people please bring them to the service that evening.

STAMPS FOR LEPROSY MISSION

David Norton has asked that people collect stamps from any letters they receive. If you could keep them until you have a few and then give them to David, he will pass these to the Leprosy Mission.

Medway Open Lecture Series 2022/23

A collaboration between Kent, Greenwich and Canterbury Christ Church universities.

Lectures open to the public, as well as staff and students.

These will generally be one lecture on the last Wednesday of the month from 6-7pm, delivered in the Pilkington Lecture Theatre.

The first four lectures have been confirmed and you can book a free ticket here: BOOK (https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/medway-talks-universities-at-medway-open-lecture-series-tickets-428547987567)

NEWS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION

PLEASE PRAY –

Worldwide –

\* Those who hunger & thirst in our world, including in Somalia and the Tigray region of Ethiopia.

\* May there be a will for peace and for dialogue to aid the plight of the vulnerable, the desperate and the entrapped.

\* The countries affected by severe flood, including Nigeria, Pakistan and Eastern Australia. Safety and protection for the women of the world, including in Iran and India. God’s Justice where there is oppression, violence and war.

\* For all those who grieve, that they are comforted. Slovenia’s Presidential Election 23^rd and Brazil’s Presidential Runoff, 30^th.

\* For the charities and organisations dear to us, that they be effective and make a difference in the world.

The UK –

\* for stability and safety, wisdom and ways forward in such disruptive times.

God’s Church –

\* Pray for Tuesday 25 October 7pm, the Institution of The Revd Catharina Olsson Gisleskog by the Bishop of Tonbridge at St Mark’s Church and online.

\* All the outreach of St Mark’s and St Mary’s Island Churches, that it be fruitful to God’s Glory; and that God’s workers are enabled and blessed.

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 (mailto:kathyb.nana@yahoo.co.uk) (mailto:kathyb.nana@yahoo.co.uk ?subject=Prayer%20%26%20Praise)

Foodbank. If you would like to donate to Foodbank, here is the link to the autumn shopping list of things that are needed for those who are in need. (<https://gillingham.churchinsight.com/Publisher/File.aspx?id=316307>)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Sunday

30th October |10.30am | Church

Title: Service of the Word

Speaker: Catharina Olsson Gisleskog

Readings: Luke 6: 20-31

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK

Thank you for the week

Thank you to Glyn for job as treasurer and all hard work you have given to the church so far.

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