# **THIS SUNDAY – 18th September**

MORNING SERVICE, 10.30am  
[**In Church**](https://www.stmarksgillingham.org/Articles/607245/Church_Building_Open.aspx?redirected=1)**,** [**Facebook**](https://www.facebook.com/stmarksgillingham) **and** [**Youtube**](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1b5IAYzi3iBqXPBu0OnRrQ/videos?view=2&live_view=502)  
  
**Title:** Holy communion  
**Speaker**: Andy W-J  
**Readings:** Luke 16, 1-13

CHILDREN & YOUTH GROUPS

**GEMS & PEBBLES**

Children’s groups will be starting back up this Sunday. Parents can drop their children off from 10.15am and pick them up at 12pm.   
  
**SUMMIT | 7pm | Old Vicarage**  
Summit will be running as usual.

## This week

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 here](https://www.stmarksgillingham.org/Groups/268148/Small_Groups.aspx) or contact the office.

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. Please be aware masks are advised.  
If you are interested in volunteering please contact Dammy via [admin@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:admin@stmarksgillingham.org).

Dementia Cafe

28th September |1pm to 3pm | Church

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.

Bible study and Fellowship

Bible Study/ Fellowship in the church on Wednesday evenings at 7.30 pm,

on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in the month during August and September.

All welcome.

### **NEWS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Victor Update

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

Click link for announcement details. [https://rb.gy/fn4xt5](https://rb.gy/fn4xt5?fbclid=IwAR1znTZZs1XkNe9IYS6vlxnuJtT_7yNPzBok8bFpP1kJpWCSjrY4U19T458)

Office Team

The office will be closed Monday 19th September due to the Queens Funeral.

#### PLEASE PRAY –

Worldwide –

* In this time of **National Mourning on the death of our dear Queen Elizabeth II**, let us pray for the royal family, the UK, commonwealth nations and the wider world in much grief and sorrow, remembering Her Majesty’s life well lived in service, faith, family and grace; and for all who grieve loved ones and deep loss at this time.
* For **Ukraine** in their taking back of occupied territory and for the invaders to re-think their plans.
* For Kenyan peoples and Leaders arriving for **William Ruto** being sworn in as President, and for President Ruto to faithfully serve all his peoples and live out his Christian beliefs.
* For those under threat and dread of violence and conflict, that they may know peace.
* For relief from those suffering deprivations amid catastrophes.

The **UK** –

* Liz Truss in all her responsibilities to King and Government, and all who serve in leadership and governance of the UK;
* for thanksgiving in the unity being shown at this time of national mourning.

God’s Church –

* That there be loving care and wise counsel for King Charles III and the Queen Consort.

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)

Cleaning the Vicarage

We are still painting if you would like to help, please contact Karen the church warden or the office, and ask what you need to do. If you would like to help, please let us know, thank you.

St Marks Church Gillingham, Vicarage Hall Cleaner

We are seeking a responsible, trustworthy person to clean the Vicarage Hall. This is a part-time job (average 5 hours per week) to be carried out at the weekends either on Saturday or Sunday to fit in with Hall usage.

**Job responsibilities include** (but are not limited to):

* weekly vacuuming, mopping, cleaning of toilets, potties, changing mats, cleaning the kitchen, emptying bins and general cleaning duties.
* You will also be required to do monthly cleaning, including damp dusting and carpet stain removal.
* During holiday breaks you will be required to clean the fridge, cooker, microwave and the inside of windows.
* You will also be required to put in orders for cleaning materials for your line manager to purchase.

If you are interested in applying for this role or require further information, please contact Vicky Allen HR Lead for St Mark’s Church on [Vickyalle@gmail.com](mailto:Vickyalle@gmail.com) or telephone on 01634 855792. Closing date for applications **Friday 16 September 2022**.

Foodbank

If you would like to donate to foodbank here is the link to the summer shopping list of things that are needed for those who are in need.

[file:///C:/Users/Student.26327/AppData/Local/Packages/microsoft.windowscommunicationsapps\_8wekyb3d8bbwe/LocalState/Files/S0/5/Attachments/Shopping%20List%20July-August%2022\_large[1640].pdf](file:///C:/Users/Student.26327/AppData/Local/Packages/microsoft.windowscommunicationsapps_8wekyb3d8bbwe/LocalState/Files/S0/5/Attachments/Shopping%20List%20July-August%2022_large%5b1640%5d.pdf)

The Music Man Project UK Kent/Medway

PLEASE VOTE FOR US TODAY... and EVERY WEEK for the next 3 months!! We've been nominated to be part of the Asda Foundation Green Token Giving online vote through our local Asda Chatham (https://www.facebook.com/pages/Asda%20Chatham/106834902722248/) . The vote is now live! The cause with the most online votes will receive a £500 donation with second place receiving £400 and third place £300. Vote for us by visiting Vote (https://www.asda.com/green-tokens/store?store=4693) and selecting \*Chatham\* from the drop-down box. You can vote once every seven days (until the end of September) so please vote and then re-vote in the following weeks. Set a reminder on your phone/calendar. Please share far and wide! Thanks for being part of this exciting activity - Let the voting begin! Sarah Mann Director, The Music Man Project UK Regional Director, The Music Man Project (Kent/Medway) www.themusicmanproject.com The Music Man Project UK - Registered Charity Number 1188041 The Music Man Project (Kent/Medway) - Registered CIC Number 12574625

##### Upcoming Events

NEXT SUNDAY  
**25th  September, 10.30am, Church**  
  
**Title:** Service of the word  
**Speaker**: Ernie Mann  
**Readings:** Luke 16, 91-31

Peace and Hope

25th September, 10:30am, Vicarage Hall

Women’s Breakfast

Saturday 15th October, Vicarage Hall, 9:00am to 11:30

Thank you for the week

We would like to offer our thanks to the woman who has given her life to this country and many more. Who has served with compassion and kindness to those whom most of which she has never met. We are thankful for her 70 years that she has reigned and wish that she may rest in peace alongside her husband who left not long before her. We celebrate the 96 years she has spent on this earth and mourn the rest of the time she will not. We thank her for her commitment and wish her family peace. We pray that she will peacefully and safely get laid to rest on Monday.

Thank you, Your Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II.

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***Please contact the office if you need to make an  
appointment & do not drop by without prior arrangement.***