# **THIS SUNDAY -  4th June**

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:**The fruits of the spirits and trinity Sunday, baptism    
**Speaker**:  peace and hope  
**Reading**: Matthew 3:13-16 Galatians 5:22-26

CHILDREN & YOUTH GROUPS

**GEMS & PEBBLES**

All age no children’s group this week

Children’s groups will be running as usual Sunday. Parents can drop their children off from 10.15am and pick them up at 12pm.

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.

Ladies Group

We will meet on Wednesday at 10am at the Old Vicarage.

Standing in the Gap (Prayer meeting)

**Sundays| 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

10th and 24th May|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.

Peace and Hope

3rd June, old vicarage

### **NEWS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Childrens church

For children aged three through to the end of year six.

The first Sunday of every month the children join us in church for an all age service.

All other weeks at term time we meet at the vicarage hall. Children can be dropped off from 10:15am and collected by 12pm.

Come and join us!

Vicarage road, Gillingham, ME7 5JA

For more information please contact: [chris.curtis@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:chris.curtis@stmarksgillingham.org)

Holy Communion

If you are unable to get to Church and would like to have communion brought to your home, please contact the Church office.  [admin@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:admin@stmarksgillingham.org) 01634 570489.  You need to live in St Mark’s parish and be happy for your contact details to be passed to the home communion team.

Prayer Meetings for 2023

Meetings between 7 and 9pm

St Marks: 1 Canterbury Street, ME7 5TP.

7th June, St Mark’s. 5th July, St Mark’s. 9th August, St Mark’s. 6th September, St Mark’s. 4th October, St Mark’s. 1st November, St Mark’s.

6th December, Old Vicarage, **Vicarage Road, ME7 5JA.**

Any questions, please email, catharina@stmarksgillingham.org

New Wine

As a church we are going to the New Wine summer conference this year - at the Kent Event Centre in Maidstone, previously called the Detling Campsite.

Sign up to join and camp from 1-5 August on the New Wine website <https://www.new-wine.org/events/united23/> by booking onto St Mark’s with St Mary’s Island Church.

If you have any questions, please contact Catharina

Please pray

**Worldwide -**

* For Nigeria in its new governance,
* for Turkey in the re-election of their President – may the Lord lead and guide in His Righteousness and Justice.
* For Sudan’s West Darfur region where entire villages have been burned to the ground, bringing the region to the brink of a “humanitarian catastrophe”.
* For miracles, hope and healing in Ukraine.
* For NI, that devolved governance may be resumed;

**The UK –**

* UK Government in planning laws relating to ‘the troubles’ which may end prosecutions – still a most sensitive and painful situation - may the Lord guide in all wisdom and good counsel.
* For the continuing work against knife crime and violence on our streets and in our communities – may God bless the many organisations and services working hard in this area.

**God's Church**

* For the church worldwide, as we think of our many different contacts in far flung places, or nearer to home;
* for missionaries being called to serve the Lord;
* for CTIM and good partnerships at local level;
* for the life and work of St Mark’s Church and St Mary’s Island Church, that the Lord is honoured.

Gillingham and Medway

* For all those taking O and A levels, that the Peace of the Lord enable quietness in any anxiety or worry
* for a quiet stillness in exam rooms to bring comfort and ease.
* For our surgeries and medical centres, that those needing to see a doctor are enabled to do so; for our libraries and hubs, that a quiet place be available to all.
* For those with gardens and outdoor space to make these available to those who don’t have such a wonderful resource – sharing is good.

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)

Foodbank

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

file:///C:/Users/Student.26327/Desktop/fb.pdf

Medway Night Shelter

There are some gaps available for working and supporting this important work with the homeless, with a zoom training available too … ‘We are still on the lookout for volunteers to help with cooking 5.30-8.30pm on Thursday, Friday and Saturday’. If you would like to be involved or donate, contact by email  [medwayshelter@gmail.com](mailto:medwayshelter@gmail.com)

The night shelter are looking for volunteers for cooking and laundry.  If you are interested, can they please email.  Medway Night Shelter [medwayshelter@gmail.com](mailto:medwayshelter@gmail.com)

WARM CLOTHING

Do you own any good quality warm clothing, coats, hats, scarves, gloves, blankets etc that you no longer need. Please donate these to Street Angles to help others.

Warm Spaces weekly in Gillingham

Monday, St Mary’s Gillingham Green, 9am to 12pm

Tuesday, St Mark’s Church, Gillingham High Street, 12pm to 2pm

Wednesday, St Augustine’s, Rock Avenue, 9am to 11am, St Barnabas, Nelson Road, 1:30pm to 4pm

Thursday, St Augustine’s, Rock Avenue, 13:30am to 4pm

Sunday, St Luke’s Church Hall, 12:30pm to 4pm

##### Upcoming Events

NEXT SUNDAY

**11th June, 10.30am, Church**

**Title:** The fruit of the spirit: Love

**Speaker**: Vicki

**Readings:** 1 John 4:7-19

Thank you for the week

Thank you to Janet Mann for all the work she puts into the drinks rota.

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appointment & do not drop by without prior arrangement.***