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# MARKtime

St. Mark's Church, Gillingham  
with St. Mary's Island Church

Living for Jesus; Loving Gillingham;  
Learning Together

Mission Focus June: Francis &  
Diane Dognon

St. Mark's Group/events for  
June: The Welcome Teams

4<sup>th</sup> June 2017

## Pentecost



**10.30am: All Age Communion Service** 'Be of the Same Mind as One Another'

Reading: Romans 14:13-15:7

**6.30pm: United Pentecost Service** 'Thy Kingdom Come'

### Other Services & Events:

**11.00am Holy Communion** St. Mary's Island

**7.30pm-9.15pm Landmark, PODS**

**Prayer Ministry:** If you would like someone to pray with you or to share concerns with, then members of the prayer team are available in the small chapel at the front of church.

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

**Monday-Friday during term time 9.15am-12.15pm, St. Mark's Pre-school, Vicarage Hall - Children need to be registered first**

**Weds 7<sup>th</sup> June:** 9.00am **Holy Communion** in Church

9.45am **Ladies Group**, Old Vicarage

1.15pm **Parents & Toddlers**, Vicarage Hall

6.30pm-8.30pm **Faith & Light**, Vicarage Hall

**Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> June: General Election - please vote!**

1.00pm-3.00pm **Foodbank**, Church

**Fri 9<sup>th</sup> June:** 6.15pm **Kidz Klub**, ages 7-11, Old Vicarage

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup> June:** 10.00am-12.00noon **Foodbank**, Church

10.30am-12.00noon **Faith & Light Juniors**, Vicarage Hall

## NEXT SUNDAY - 11<sup>th</sup> June

### Trinity Sunday



**10.30am: Service of the Word** 'Accept One Another'

Reading: Romans 15:5-7

**6.30pm: Bible Teaching Stream**

### Other Services/Events:

11.00am **Morning Worship**

St. Mary's Island

7.30pm-9.15pm **Landmark, POD**

**Small Groups/Home Groups** meet in various locations at different times throughout the week - please speak to Gary or Chris Atkins if you would like to be in a mid-week group.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Sat 17<sup>th</sup> June:** 10am-1pm **India 2018 Fundraiser Café & Car Wash, Bric-a-Brac & Book Sale**, Old Vicarage Site - please see Lynne Martin for help needed.

**Sat 30<sup>th</sup> June:** 10.00am **Lydia Prayer Meeting**, Old Vicarage - Next meeting: 28<sup>th</sup> July

**Sat 1<sup>st</sup> July:** **Walk for Peace 2017** - this year called 'Walking For Oneness' which aims to bring together people of different cultures and backgrounds, promote friendship and embrace positive, interfaith and secular relationships through a common cause - peace.

**10.am Gillingham High Street**

**11.am Chatham**

**12.30pm Rochester**

**Ending 1pm**

Please see poster for a map and more details..

**Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> July:** 7.00pm for 7.30pm **Foodbank Prayer & Praise** at St. Justus Church, The Fairway, Rochester, ME1 2LT

## FAMILY NEWS



Martin and Siu King are very happy to announce the arrival of their grandson, Asher Hunter Watts, on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May (8lbs 12 oz).



**URGENT - Foodbank needs volunteers to help once or twice a month for two hours either on a Thursday from 1pm-3pm or a Saturday morning**

**from 10am-12noon.**

**'Make a date - Wednesday 9am Holy Communion in Church.** Reasons: an oasis of peace, calm, intimate, yet NOT daunting! What's the best bit? Meeting our amazing GOD and a small group of wonderful brothers and sisters in the LORD... Be spiritually refreshed in this midweek refuelling stop. What's not to like?'



**Lynne Martin** would like to thank all those who have helped prepare the house and garden ready for her move into the Garden House.

## POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER



**"Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from His love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my**

**joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind."** *Philippians 2:1-2 (NIV UK Bible)*

**LORD, thank you that You are a God of Peace and not of disorder (1 Corinthians 14:33). Please show us how to live in unity, love and compassion through Your holy Spirit for the benefit of Your Kingdom on earth and heaven. Amen.**

**Pray** for the people of **Kabul** after a massive bomb attack Wednesday, which killed at least 90 people and injured 400+ more... for the people of **Manchester** in light of the suicide bombing at the Manchester Arena too... **Ask the LORD** to give you a person, situation or country to pray for this week... **"Praise be to the LORD, to God our Saviour, who daily bears our burdens."** (*Psalm 68:19*)

**Pray** for enough volunteers for the **Café & Car Wash, Bric-a-Brac & Book Sale** on Sat 17<sup>th</sup> June.

**Pray** for **Amanda and Jeff Maskell** and the decisions they need to make before they move here and for Amanda's dissertation to be completed.

**Continue to Pray for Shane and Chris Cordle...** Shane writes, *'my visa application has been received and we are hoping it is processed quickly. Home is going slow but we have much of the work finished and need to have it listed. Praying it sells quickly!'*.

**Praise** for "Thy Kingdom Come" prayer meetings and the way the LORD has answered prayer, built new friendships and blessed everyone involved.

**Pray** that the LORD will add more volunteers to **The Welcome Teams** and continue to bless each member and protect their families... **Praise the LORD** for His wisdom, love and grace and how He equips everyone for the role He has prepared for them before the world began. Hallelujah!

Our Mission Partners, **Francis & Diane Dognon in France** ask for prayer for... **Evangelism** – a team of 10 young people from the USA are running a musical event in a coffee shop and 2

services in Rouen and Lisieux plus a 'gospel Kids in the streets' in Rouen... for the **Big Church Day Out** event in England that some of their young people are going to... for the team that is working towards taking over the leadership of La Source Church in Lisieux in September... **Praise the LORD** for the "lots of encouragements" with the Coffee Shop, "We have more people, many volunteers from different churches and a leader [called] Tim [who] has taken the responsibility for the coffee shop in March."

**Praise the LORD** for the provision of **Foodbank** at St. Mark's Church and His holy presence at the heart of everything that Foodbank does and stands for... **Pray** for more volunteers to help in this important work in our community.

**Pray** for the **Paris Climate Agreement**, which joins nations together in agreeing a joint statement on climate change and clean energy, with action to back these policies for the sake of our planet especially now that President Trump wishes to withdraw from this deal... **Praise** for the Church of England and other investors who have backed a motion to require Exxon Mobil to assess the risks from climate change as they conduct their business, which includes oil pipelines etc.

**Pray** for the **General Election** and that the LORD will be central in all aspects concerning the vote... **Ask the LORD** to bring our community together, so that we reflect His love, compassion and grace to each other and the wider community.

**Praise** for **Lucy Day's** successful back surgery... **pray** for a quick recovery and relief from pain.

**Pray** for **David Norton's sister-in-law** who is critically ill with a brain tumour... for **Jenny White's sister Brenda** awaiting heart surgery... **Rachel Littlewood**... for **Michael Stacey** still in Medway hospital... for **Michelle Saunders' dad** undergoing radiotherapy... and for others known to us who need God's comfort and healing touch.

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Pray for our Mission focus for June: **Francis & Diane Dognon**... Please pray for our St. Mark's Group/event for June: **The Welcome Teams**...  
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#### Bible readings for June 2017

Day	Psalm	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	126	Job 1	Romans 1.1-17
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup>	132	Job 2	Romans 1.18-end
Weds 7 <sup>th</sup>	119.153-end	Job 3	Romans 2.1-16
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup>	143	Job 4	Romans 2.17-end
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	144	Job 5	Romans 3.1-20
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	147	Job 6	Romans 3.21-end

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Except for the first Sunday of the month **during term time**, groups for children and young teenagers meet at the Old Vicarage, each Sunday morning. All our youth & children's workers are DBS checked for your child's protection and safety. **If you have young children** please feel free to take your children to the Creche area at the back of church, near the sound desk (ask if you can't see it). Children are important to us at St. Mark's and we want them to be happy. Please feel free to let them play quietly in the Creche; **we just ask that you stay with them and leave the area tidy!**