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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 July: Katy
Barnwell

St. Mark's Group/events for
July: St. Mark's Preschool

23rd July 2017

Trinity Sunday 6
No SOS but Pathfinders meeting as usual



10.30am: **Holy Communion** 'Submit to One Another'
Reading: Ephesians 5:15-21

6.30pm: **No Evening Service**

Other Services & Events: 11.00am **Family Service** St. Mary's Island

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

Weds 26th July: 9.00am **Holy Communion** in Church

10.00 **Ladies Group**, Old Vicarage, coffee & chat

Thurs 27th July: 1.00pm-3.00pm **Foodbank**, Church

Fri 28th July: 10.00am **Lydia Prayer Meeting**, Old Vicarage

Sat 29th July: **NO FOODBANK DUE TO WEDDING IN CHURCH**

Sat 29th July: 1.00pm **Andrew and Sarah Mann** would like to invite everyone to the marriage ceremony of Rachel and Esgrid in Church.



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.

NEXT SUNDAY - 30th July

Trinity Sunday 7



10.30am: **Baptism Service** 'Encouraging One Another'
Reading: Hebrews 10:19-25

6.30pm: **Worship Night**

Other Services/Events:
11.00am **Morning Worship**
St. Mary's Island

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weds 9th August: 2-4pm **Social & Games** afternoon for everyone, Vicarage Hall. If interested and so we can get an idea of numbers, please sign up at the back of church or speak to

Dorothy Brundle or Pauline Jackson. A second date to be confirmed.

Tues 5th Sept: 9.15am restart for **St. Mark's Preschool**, Vicarage Hall

Weds 6th Sept: restart for:

9.00am **Holy Communion**, Church

9.45am **Ladies Group**, Old Vicarage

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

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

Sat 9th Sept: 10.30am-12.00noon **Faith & Light Juniors**, Vicarage Hall

Sun 10th Sept: 10.30am **All Age Welcome Service** to celebrate **Shane & Chris Cordle** and **Amanda & Jeff Maskell** joining us and baptism of **Karmel Goddard**.

7.30pm-9.15pm **Landmark Social** (to be confirmed)

Fri 15th Sept: 6.15pm restart for **Kidz Klub**, ages 7-11, Old Vicarage

Sun 17th Sept: restart for Church groups:

10.30am **Creche** in Church

10.20am **SOS Club** at Old Vicarage

10.30am **Pathfinders** at Old Vicarage

Sun 17th Sept: 6.30pm **Lynne Martin's licensing as Medway Campus Chaplain**, here at St. Mark's Church. Please come and support Lynne as she officially starts her new role.

Mon 18th Sept: 7.45pm **PCC Meeting**, Old Vicarage

Sat 30th Sept: 6.30pm-10.00pm **India 2018** Fundraiser 'Freestyle Disco', in Church.

Tues 17th Oct: doors open 6.45pm for 7.30pm-10.00pm **The Wisdom House - Live, Care for the Family** with speaker **Rob Parsons** @ The Vine, Boughton Lane, Maidstone ME15 9QF - early bird rate £4 until 29th Aug, standard ticket price £6.

FAMILY NEWS

The Church Office will be open as usual during August!

Please note that there will be no evening services during August.

The last MARKtime before the summer break will be on Sunday 30th July and returns on Sunday 10th September. **Bible readings for August will be issued next week on a sheet separate to Marktime, please make sure you pick one up!**



POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

"In the same way, you who are younger, submit yourselves to your elders. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility towards one another, because, 'God opposes the proud but shows favour to the humble.'" 1 Peter 5:5 (NIV UK Bible)

Thank you Lord, that You are good, loving and perfect. Please help us to allow You to transform each one of us to be more spiritually alive in You and grow more and more like Jesus, so that we will "open wide our mouths for You to fill them" (Psalm 81:9) with Your humble, saving grace. Amen.

Pray for any situation, group or individual that you know of who needs reconciliation at this time... **Ask the LORD** to bring His healing insight into these areas, so that His glory will be revealed and His saving grace bring humble respect and love... **Praise** "may all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You; may those who love Your saving help always say, 'The LORD is great!'" (Psalm 70:4)

Cover in prayer Shane & Chris Cordle as Shane starts work on 1st August and **Amanda and Jeff Maskell** as Amanda starts work on 4th September and for her ordination on 30th September at Rochester Cathedral (tickets only)... for the many Godly changes to come.

Praise for the LORD'S answers to prayer for **St. Mark's Preschool** as we now have members on the Preschool Management Committee ready to start in September... **Pray** for the children going to school and for the new children starting in September.

Praise for the **PCC Meeting** last Monday and all the answers to prayer... for the praise and worship **Foodbank Prayer & Praise** on 20th July.

Pray for our Mission Partner, **Katy Barnwell** and the Bhumono Project, whose translators are pushing ahead with the New Testament despite having no project approval or funding, due to organisational problems in Nigeria... **Ask the LORD** to provide enough funds, resources and

encouragement for this team... **Praise** that Katy was able to deliver 6 new laptops to the Mbembe translation team – she wishes we could see their faces! Katy says, "We are very grateful in deed to those who gave to make this possible. The LORD will reward you!"

Praise the LORD for **Katie Byles'** long-term commitment to **Pathfinders** and all that the LORD has achieved through Katie... **Pray** for a new leader to join in September.

Continue to pray for unity in our government in light of the many problems that need answers for the benefit of all our people and especially for the ongoing Brexit negotiations...for **Medway Council** who are closing the Early Years Team from December... **Praise** as we prayerfully, "Wait for the LORD; be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD." (Psalm 27:14)

Continue to pray for the Chatham Waters @ Gilligham Pier Project which was announced recently in Church and for Terry & Jo Whittaker's commitment to lead a team... **Ask the LORD** to create/grow His team and to provide all the resources... for all the glory to go solely to Him.

Praise for the **LET LOOSE** concert last Friday 21st July... for the many answers to prayer and for the way that the LORD showed His transforming love in Gilligham... **Pray** for all those who were touched by God's healing hands.

Praise that Michelle Saunder's Dad, Phil has successfully completed 7 weeks of radiotherapy without any hiccups or complications.

Pray for **Parveen Shadi** recovering from breast surgery last Wednesday...for **Ernie Mann**... for **Andrew Martin** (St Mary's Island Church) recovering from surgery... for **Rachel Littlewood**... for **Michael Stacey** now at home... and others known to us who need God's comfort and healing touch...

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~> **Pray** for our Mission focus for July: **Katy Barnwell**... **Please pray** for our St. Mark's Group for July: **St. Mark's Preschool**...  
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Bible readings for July 2017

Day	Psalm	1st Reading	2nd Reading
Mon 24 th	123	Ezekiel 10.1-9	2 Corinthians 6.1-7.1
Tues 25 th	7	2 Kings 1.9-15	Luke 9.46-56
Weds 26 th	119.153-end	Ezekiel 12.1-16	2 Corinthians 8.1-15
Thurs 27 th	143	Ezekiel 12.17-end	2 Corinthians 8.16-9.5
Fri 28 th	144	Ezekiel 13.1-16	2 Corinthians 9.6-end
Sat 29 th	147	Ezekiel 14.1-11	2 Corinthians 10

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!**