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

Living for Jesus; Loving Gillingham;
Learning Together

Mission Focus: Katy Barnwell

St. Mark's Event:

LET LOOSE 2019

30th June 2019

2nd Sunday after Trinity

We warmly welcome **Bishop Simon Burton Jones** to our morning service today to preach on **Valuing Age**.

10.30am: Service of the Word

Taboo 6: Valuing Age. You have it said "so and so is a Grumpy Old Man", but I say to you...

Bring & Share Grandma's favourite recipes' after the service



6.30pm-8.00pm: St. Mark's GOSPEL NIGHT – refreshments served from 6.00pm.

Theme: POWER OF PRAISE

Other Services:

11.00am: All Age Service St Mary's Island

7.00pm-8.30pm: Summit – Outing (TBC)



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

Monday-Friday during term time, St. Mark's Preschool, Vicarage Hall – Children need to be registered first. Open Mon, Tues, Thurs, 9.15am-3.15pm Weds & Fri 9.15am-12.15pm.

WHAT'S ON DURING THIS WEEK:

Weds 3rd July: 9.00am Holy Communion, in church

9.45am: Ladies Group, Old Vicarage

1.15pm: Parent & Toddlers, Vicarage Hall

6.30pm-8.30pm: Peace & Hope, (formerly Faith & Light), "Poverty", Vicarage Hall

Thurs 4th July: 1.00pm-3.00pm Foodbank, in church

Fri 5th July: 6.15pm-7.30pm Kidz Klub, Old Vicarage

Sat 6th July: 7.00am-8.00am Standing in the Gap – Praying for families, youth & children's ministries, Old Vicarage

10.00am-noon: Foodbank, in church

11.45am- 2.00pm: Pre-school funday & lunch, for the children of St Mark's pre-school and their parents/careers, Vicarage Hall

2.00pm – 5.00pm: Cinema Club, Vicarage Hall

The Accounts for 2018 have now been independently Examined and Approved. They can be viewed on the St. Mark's website under 'Resources'. Glyn Allen, Treasurer

SUNDAY 7th July:

3rd Sunday after Trinity

10.30am: All Age Service

Taboo 7: Creation. You have heard it said "creation can look after itself", but I say to you, "we must look after creation"...

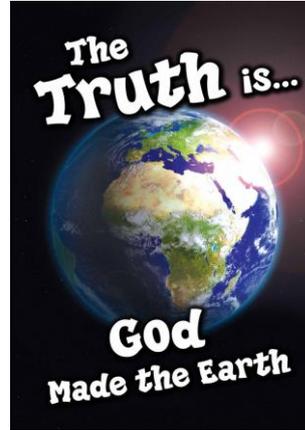
6.30pm: Intercessions for Let Loose Outreach

Other Services:

11.00am: Holy

Communion, St Mary's Island

7.00pm-8.30pm: Summit – Wet & Wild (weather permitting)



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weds 10th July: 1.15pm-2.45pm: Parents & Toddlers last one before the summer holidays. This will return on Wednesday 11th September.

Thurs 11th July: 1.30pm-3.00pm: Church Office will be closed during this time for staff prayer afternoon

Fri 26th July: 1.00pm-4.00pm **LET LOOSE 2019**. It's the 5th anniversary and it is themed **NEW BEGINNINGS**. This is a fun, free event happening in Gillingham High Street!

Sept 1st-8th: 24/7 Prayer Encounter, in church Making time and space to encounter God in prayer.

FAMILY NEWS

If you require a Gift Aid certificate to enable you to complete your 2018/2019 tax return please let John Beck, the Gift Aid Secretary, know and he will provide you with one.
Email: jabeck42@blueyonder.co.uk

Volunteers needed to join the Sound Desk Please Speak to Chris Blewitt. Thank you.



POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER



"Even when I am old and grey, do not for sake me, my God, till I declare Your power to the next generation, Your mighty acts to all who are to come."

Psalm 71:18 (NIV UK)

LORD, thank you that our worth whatever age we are is based on Your saving grace alone not on our incomes, productivity or

even popularity. Please help us to remember that in this shifting, anxious, perplexing world, You are our mighty rock and refuge because You LORD are "the same yesterday and today and for ever." (Hebrews 13:8) Praise to Your glorious steadfastness forever Amen.

Continue to pray for BREXIT and the polarisation of our society... **Pray** for the victims of hate in whatever form that takes... **Ask the LORD** to help us raise the issues and concerns that we need to for the benefit of all of our society.

Pray for all those who feel lonely, ignored or a waste of space due to age, health problems or a lack of friends... **Ask the LORD** to help us be His beacons in our community, which constantly illuminate the path to His saving grace... **Praise** for each one of us can say, "*But as for me, it is good to be near God. I have made the Sovereign LORD my refuge; I will tell of all Your deeds.*" (Psalm 73:28) Romans

Praise for our Mission Partner **Katy Barnwell** and for all answers to prayer she has received in writing the new edition of the 'Bible Translation Training Textbook' and the Teacher's Manual' that goes with it... **Pray** for all the new trainers and students using this powerful resource to bring God's Holy Word alive in every language on earth... **Ask the LORD** to protect, encourage and bless each one so that they can, '*declare Your [LORD] power to the next generation, Your mighty acts to all who are to come.*'

Pray for everyone who has been affected by flooding in various parts of the country... Remember other low-lying areas of the world who are experiencing flooding due to high sea levels and more storms.

Continue to pray for **Derick Thom's sister-in-law Iris** and **Derick's cousin** who has recently lost his wife due to a massive heart attack... **Ask the LORD** to be with all members of the Thom family at this very difficult time.

Pray for **Frank & Ruth Howard** after the sudden loss of their niece Emma... **Ask the LORD** to be with Emma's grandparents Irene & Les, her husband, 4 children & the wider family who are finding it difficult at this time.

Pray for more leaders for **Children's Ministry...** **Ask the LORD** to encourage, protect and bless everyone involved with this important ministry and especially encourage and rise up the next generation of leaders for His glory.

Pray for **Martin's Mum** who is in hospital with heart problems... also remember the wider family.

Pray for all the preparations that are still needed for **LET LOOSE 2019** and for all the resources for this event... **Ask the LORD** to prepare hearts and minds to be open to His saving grace through music, His holy Word and the sheer joy in praising His Holy Name... **Praise** that we can, "*speak[...] to one another with psalms, hymns and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from [our] hearts to the LORD*" (Ephesians 5:19).

Pray for **Margaret Howlett** awaiting a consultation following a recent scan... for **Michael Stacey...** for **Cathy's Dad Alan...** for **Lucy Day's sister Wendy...** for **Trish Martin...** for **Keith Sheepwash...** for **Steve Burtrand** who has a pelvis fracture... for **Melanie & Graham Davis' daughter in law Yung ...** for **Kate Delaney...** for **Promise Anga and his family...** for the **family and friends of Rachel Littlewood...** for anyone you know who needs the LORD at this time for whatever reason.

Bring to the LORD any situation whether in our church family, locally, nationally or internationally that you care about... **LORD** thank you that, "*You guide me with Your counsel, and afterwards You will take me into glory.*" (Psalm 73:24)

~ Please pray for: Katy Barnwell; LET LOOSE 2019 ~

Bible readings for July 2019

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 1 st	44	Ezra 1	Romans 9.1-18
Tues 2 nd	48	Ezra 3	Romans 9.19-end
Weds 3 rd	92	2 Samuel 15.17-21	John 11.1-16
Thurs 4 th	57	Ezra 4.7-end	Romans 10.11-end
Fri 5 th	51	Ezra 5	Romans 11.1-12
Sat 6 th	68	Ezra 6	Romans 11.13-24

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 through the second door on the left, at the front of church (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!**

New Church Office Hours are:

Mon & Thurs 10.00am-3.00pm, Tues & Weds 10.00am-2.00pm, Fri 9.15am-1.15pm (by appointment only)