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

Living for Jesus; Loving Gillingham;
Learning Together

Mission Focus: Carrie
Macfarlane

St. Mark's Event:
Remembrance Sunday

10th November 2019



SUNDAY 10th NOVEMBER:

3rd Sunday before Advent

Please note that there is no creche or refreshments during this morning's service. Also all Sidesmen/Welcome Team members will be needed for this morning's service.



10.30am: Remembrance Service – We welcome Major General Tim Cross as our guest preacher this morning.

Please could you help put the church back together and transport the extra chairs back to the Old Vicarage site?

Please note parents need to collect their children from their Sunday groups today.

6.30pm: Bible Study Stream - Book of Jonah

Other Services:

11.00am: Morning Worship – Remembrance Sunday, St Mary's Island

3.00pm: Charing House

5.00pm: St Mark's House

6.30pm: Summit, Games + Chill, Old Vicarage



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:

Tues 12th Nov: 9.00am-noon: Church is open – Please speak to Dammy for details.

ALPHA is at the Old Vicarage from 10am-noon & from 7.00pm-9.30pm at church.

Weds 13th Nov: 9.00am Holy Communion in church

9.45am: Ladies Group, Old Vicarage

1.00pm-3.00pm: Dementia Café, Old Vicarage – 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month. Please see Paul Harris or Pauline Jackson for more details.

1.15pm: Parent & Toddlers, Vicarage Hall

Thurs 14th Nov: 1.00pm-3.00pm: Foodbank, in Church

1.30pm-3.00pm: Church office will be closed during this time for staff prayer

Fri 15th Nov: 6.15pm-7.30pm: Kidz Klub, Old Vicarage

Sat 16th Nov: 7.00am-8.00am: Standing in the Gap – praying for families, youth & children's ministries, Old Vicarage

10.00am-noon: Foodbank, in church

10.00am-6.00pm: Revival Fire – a day of worship & teaching aimed at 18-30 year olds, but open to absolutely everyone. Snacks will be provided, Church

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 18th Nov: 7:45pm-10.00pm: PCC meeting, Old Vicarage

Weds 20th Nov: 6.30pm-8.30pm: Peace & Hope, Vicarage Hall

Sun 24th Nov: 6.30pm-8.00pm: Gospel Night – gospel music led by a gospel band. Refreshments from 6pm, St. Mark's Church

Sun 8th Dec: 6.00pm: Christmas Connect 2019 Live Concert, Prayer City, Buckmore Park, ME5 9QG a concert performed by local primary school children.

SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER:

2nd Sunday before Advent

10.30am: Service of the Word – Nehemiah 5 – A Generous Hand

6.30pm Workshop Stream – Welcome & Belonging, an autistic friendly church

Other Services:

11.00am: Morning Worship – Isaac: the miracle baby, St Mary's Island

6.30pm: Summit, Minute to Win It, Old Vicarage



FAMILY NEWS

If anyone would like to go on the prayer list for Saju's sabbatical please email Rob on opsmanager@stmarksgillingham.org - thank you.

Volunteers are needed between January – March 2020 for the **Medway Night Shelter**, which is due to run from Monday 6th January – Tuesday 31st March. One session of training is mandatory. Please email Belinda at medwayshelter@gmail.com or check out the website <http://medwayshelter.org> for more details. Thank you.

Please help Foodbank by donating food items as demand is outstripping supply! Find the items needed either on the Foodbank website or Twitter

account. There will be a box at the back of the church with a sign saying 'Foodbank Collection Point'. Thank you.



POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

"Make me walk along the path of Your [LORD] commands, for that is where my happiness is found. Give me an eagerness for Your laws rather than a love for money!" Psalm 119:35-36 (New Living Translation)

LORD, thank you that when we obey Your rules we are truly happy and content because we are being the people You created us to be. Please help us to learn from You day by day, so that we can reflect Your loving grace and wisdom in a suffering world. Amen



Give thanks for all the sacrifices that our armed forces and their families make in times of war, peace and the many difficult circumstances they are commanded to go to all over the world... **Pray** for all our guests who are sharing today's **Remembrance Service** with us today especially those who may find this service particularly challenging, or who are hurting for whatever reason.

Continue to pray for the general election on Thursday 12th December that the LORD's standards will prevail and no one will feel threatened, anxious or abused.

Praise for the way our **Mission Partner, Carrie MacFarlane** is serving the LORD through her work with young people and education... **Ask the LORD** to protect, encourage and supply all the resources needed, so that she can achieve what the LORD wants her to do...

Praise for all the answered prayers for the people on the **ALPHA** course... **Pray** that they feel the

LORD's presence and His love transforming their lives.

Continue to pray for all those seeking justice like the family and friends of Harry Dunn, the victims of the Grenfell Tower fire tragedy and the victims of the refrigerated lorry in Essex... *"The LORD is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."* (Psalm 34:18)... Remember the family and friends of Amelia Bambridge too.

Pray for all the people who need **Foodbanks** in our community... **Ask the LORD** to bless everyone involved and bring His wisdom into each situation.

Praise for the **Soup Night Prayer evening** that happened last Sunday and all the answers to prayer & blessings the LORD gave.

Continue to pray for the **Dementia Café** that the LORD will bring all those He wants to come... for His loving encouragement on this new ministry.

Pray for **Revival Fire** happening this week (16th November) and **Gospel Night** which is happening on Sunday 24th November... **Ask the LORD** to bring His healing, grace and love to everyone taking part and that all will feel His presence in a new and exciting way.

Pray for **Michael Stacey...** for **Margaret Howlett...** for **Vera Adams...** for **Trish Martin...** for **Keith Sheepwash** and **Paul Smith...** and 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... *"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God"* (Philippians 4:6)

> **Please pray for:** Carrie MacFarlane; Remembrance Service

Bible readings for November 2019

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 11 th	20	Isaiah 5.8-24	Matthew 4.23-5.12
Tues 12 th	21	Isaiah 5.25-end	Matthew 5.13-20
Weds 13 th	23	Isaiah 6	Matthew 5.21-37
Thurs 14 th	26	Isaiah 7.1-17	Matthew 5.38-end
Fri 15 th	32	Isaiah 8.1-15	Matthew 6.1-18
Sat 16 th	33	Isaiah 8.16-9.7	Matthew 6.19-end

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)