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

Living for Jesus; Loving Gillingham;
Learning Together

Mission Focus: REACH

St. Mark's Event:
Men's BREAKFAST SPECIAL

2nd February 2020

SUNDAY 2nd February:



Presentation of Christ in the Temple

10.30am All Age Service –
Theme: Love

6.30pm: Communion plus
Prayer for Healing

Other Services:

11.00am: Holy Communion, St Mary's Island

6.00pm: Fire & Blood Metal Church @ Tap & Tin, Chatham – this is monthly.

7.00pm: Summit, Movie Magic – Film TBC, 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:

Mon 3rd Feb: 7.00pm: MLTG (Mission Links Task Group) Meeting – You are warmly invited to join this important meeting to discuss the allocation of the Mission Budget for 2020 and pray for our Mission Partners, Old Vicarage

Tues 4th Feb: 9.00am-2.30pm: Church is open – Please speak to Dammy for details.

Weds 5th Feb: 9.00am: Holy Communion
9.45am: Ladies Group, Old Vicarage
1.15pm: Parent & Toddlers, Vicarage Hall

Thurs 6th Feb: 1.00pm-3.00pm: Foodbank, in Church
1.30pm-3.00pm: Church office will be closed during this time for staff prayer. Please feel free to come along.

Fri 7th Feb: 6.15pm-7.30pm: Kidz Klub, Old Vicarage

Sat 8th Feb: 7.00am-8.00am: Standing in the Gap – praying for families, youth & children's ministries, Old Vicarage

9.30am-11.00am: Bibles after Breakfast – This takes place on a fortnightly basis. Please see Simon or Poppy Morbey for more details thank you.

10.00am-noon: Foodbank, in church

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weds 12th Feb: 1.00pm-3.00pm: Dementia Café, Old Vicarage – 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month. Please see Paul Harris or Pauline Jackson for more details.

Weds 12th Feb: 6.30pm-8.30pm: Peace & Hope – How did Jesus call His disciples?, Vicarage Hall

Sat 15th Feb: 8.45am-10.15am: Men's BREAKFAST SPECIAL – come with a friend! Old Vicarage

Fri 6th Mar: 1.00pm: World Day of Prayer, URC, Balmoral Road, Gillingham

Sun 31st May: APCM straight after the morning service in Church

SUNDAY 9th February:

3rd Sunday before Lent



10.30am: Holy Communion
Theme: Devoted to Breaking Bread – Acts 2:42-47

6.30pm: Bible Study Stream – Book of Job

Other Services:

11.00am: Morning Worship, St. Mary's Island

3.00pm: Charing House

5.00pm: St Mark's House

7.00pm: Summit, Glitter n Glue, Old Vicarage

FAMILY NEWS

Lynda Smith writes, "A huge thank you to all of St. Mark's for my beautiful bouquet of flowers last Sunday (26th Jan). I have enjoyed my time leading the catering volunteers but feel now is the time for a new and younger person to take the lead. Thanks to the congregation for their help and food contributions, and a special thank you to my home group Waters/Howard as they have supported me all the way. I still have a willing pair of hands if needed. (But no brain power) Thanks again Lynda xxx"

The funeral of Tricia Martin will be in St. Mark's Church on Monday 17th February 2020 @ 10.30am – more details to follow. Please continue to remember her family and friends in your prayers. Thank you.

Street Angels are in desperate need of urgent help. They need Van drivers on a Weds & Fri morning, help in the shop and administrative support half a day per wk. If you can offer a little spare time please pop down to the shop and speak to them.

Please remember Foodbank items when you doing your shopping – many families and individuals rely on this valuable help. Thank you.



POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

"Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them round your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. Then you will win favour and a good name in the sight of God and man." Proverbs 3:3-4 (NIV UK)

LORD thank you that Your love rescues us from our sin, our dark places and our sense of hopelessness. Please help us to reflect Your loving grace in our day to day lives, so that many more will come to know You as their loving Saviour, God and friend too. For Your Glory's Sake Amen.

Pray for our church leaders that they will hear God's message for them and for our congregation, so that we all grow nearer to God at this time... **Ask the LORD** to protect Saju in New Zealand and help him grow more and more like Jesus doing his walk with the LORD.

Pray for our **Mission Partner, REACH** who are creating a new church space at Gillingham Pier/Chatham Waters area, especially as the Team create opportunities to meet local residents... **Ask**

the LORD to be with the Team on 12th Feb outing to A Salute to 60s Motown @ The Inn on the Lake Hotel, Watling Street, Shorne, Gravesend, Kent.

Pray for the **Men's BREAKFAST SPECIAL** on Sat 15th 8.45am-10.15am in the Old Vicarage... **Ask the LORD** to provide all the resources needed, to prepare hearts and minds to be in tune with His loving message of salvation through His grace and bless everyone involved.

Continue to pray for all those who have been affected by the Coronavirus in China and around the world... **Ask the LORD** to continue to show all the governments, scientists etc how to deal with this new virus.

Pray for the **MLTG (Mission Links Task Group) Meeting** happening tomorrow (3rd Feb), especially for wisdom on the different funds to be allocated for the glory of God.

Continue to pray for the family and friends of **Tricia Martin**.

Praise that **Vera Adams** has been lifted in spirit and is thankful to God following her recent eye appointments.

Pray for **Derick Thom...** for **Gay Gower...** for **Michael Stacey...** for **Paul Smith...** and **Keith Sheepwash...** 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... **Praise** "He is the LORD our God; His judgements are in all the earth." (1 Chronicles 16:14)

Please pray for: REACH; Men's BREAKFAST SPECIAL

Bible readings for February 2020

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 3 rd	1	Leviticus 19.1-18, 30-end	1 Timothy 1.1-17
Tues 4 th	5	Leviticus 23.1-22	1 Timothy 1.18-end of 2
Weds 5 th	119.1-32	Leviticus 23.23-end	1 Timothy 3
Thurs 6 th	15	Leviticus 24.1-9	1 Timothy 4
Fri 7 th	19	Leviticus 25.1-24	1 Timothy 5.1-16
Sat 8 th	23	Numbers 6.1-5, 21-end	1 Timothy 5.17-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)