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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: REACH

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

16<sup>th</sup> February 2020

## SUNDAY 16<sup>th</sup> February:

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent



10.30am: **Service of the Word** – Theme: Devoted to Prayer – Acts 2:42-47

5pm: **FUSION** – A new church service for young adults & Uni students,

although all are welcome! Refreshments will be served, St. Mark's Church

#### Other Services:

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

7.00pm: **Summit**, May the Best Team Win, 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 17<sup>th</sup> Feb:** 10.30am: **The funeral of Tricia Martin** (a former member of this congregation), St. Mark's Church – Please see the column opposite for further information, thank you.

7:45pm-10pm: **PCC**, Old Vicarage – If you would like to attend this PCC meeting please speak to Raymond Shergill, Helen Towers or Vicky Allen.

**Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Feb:** 9.00am-2.30pm: **Church is open** – Please speak to Dammy for details.

**Weds 19<sup>th</sup> Feb:** 9.00am: **Holy Communion**

**Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> 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.**

**Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup> Feb:** 1.00pm-3.00pm: **Dementia Café**, Old Vicarage – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month. Please see Paul Harris or Pauline Jackson for more details.

**Weds 26<sup>th</sup> Feb:** 6.30pm-8.30pm: **Peace & Hope** – What does discipleship mean to us?, Vicarage Hall

**Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Mar:** 6.00pm: **Fire & Blood Metal Church @ Tap & Tin, Chatham** – this is monthly.

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Mar:** 1.00pm: **World Day of Prayer**, URC, Balmoral Road, Gillingham

**Sun 31<sup>st</sup> May:** APCM straight after the morning service in Church

**Fri 24<sup>th</sup> July:** 1.00pm-4.00pm: **LET LOOSE 6<sup>th</sup> edition, an outdoor music concert on Gillingham High Street** – more volunteers are needed please.

## SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> February:

### Sunday next before Lent

10.30am: **Holy Communion**

Theme: All together and had everything in common – Acts 2:42-47

5.30pm: **Church in the Pub** – King George V, Brompton

6.30pm: **No Evening Service**

#### Other Services:

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

**No Summit today**

## FAMILY NEWS

Please speak to Luke Prankard if you can volunteer for the Old Vicarage site – Garden Team. Any time you can offer will be gratefully received, so that our outside spaces are honouring to our LORD, thank you.



The funeral of Tricia Martin will be in St. Mark's Church on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2020 @ 10.30am followed by a midday committal @ The Garden of England Crematorium, Sittingbourne, Kent ME9 8GZ (attendance optional).

The family would be delighted if you could join them for the Wake at Gillingham Golf Club, Woodlands Road, Gillingham, Kent ME7 2AP between 1.00pm-3.00pm (12.45pm arrival). Please let Claire Banner know if you are attending.

Please continue to remember her family and friends in your prayers. Thank you.

**Derick Thom would like to say "a big thank you to St. Mark's for praying for me and to the Lord for answering our prayers for everything to do with my operation and how well I am progressing. Hallelujah! Praise the Lord for His many blessings".**



Martin and Sui King Hunter are delighted to announce the arrival of their second grandson, Joel, on 26<sup>th</sup> January.

Karen Turnbull, Community Pastor is setting up a virtual prayer boiler room for Gillingham. There are 336 permanent ½hour slots to fill. Please email Karen if you are interested on [karenturnbull@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:karenturnbull@stmarksgillingham.org)

**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 the Spirit and of one mind." Philippians 2:1-3: (NIV UK)**

**Oh LORD that there is always so much to thank you for from answers to prayer to the wonders of your universe. Please help us to see Your blessings every day of our lives, so that we can join the Psalm writer in saying, "Let [us] give thanks to the LORD for His unfailing love and His wonderful deeds for mankind." (Psalm 107:8)**

**Pray** that our church leaders will be encouraged this week... **Ask the LORD** to be with Saju in New Zealand and lead Saju further along the path that the LORD has prepared in advance... to protect his family at home and praise the LORD for them all.

**Pray** for each member of the **REACH Team** this week... **Ask the LORD** to bring His wonderful love, compassion and encouragement into the months ahead for everyone involved.

**Praise** for the **Men's BREAKFAST SPECIAL** that happened yesterday (15<sup>th</sup> Feb) and all the answers to prayer... **Ask the LORD** to show the group what He wants in the future.

**Continue to pray** for all those who have been affected by the Coronavirus in China and around the world especially all the people on the cruise ship, the Diamond Princess off the coast of Japan.

**Pray** for all the areas in this country and around the world who are experiencing the affects of flooding.

**Melanie & Graham Davis** thank us for our prayers concerning their **daughter in law Yung**. She has had a whole-body scan and tests which show she is clear of cancer – Praise the LORD. However, she must take some strong drugs and will have another test in 6months time... **Pray** that Yung will be able to tolerate the strong drugs.

**Praise** that **Sathish** has good news from his biopsy... **Pray** that the targeted treatment clears the infection.

**Pray** for **Tricia Martin's family & friends...** 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** "May the LORD answer you when you are in distress; may the name of the God of Jacob protect you." (Psalm 20:1)

∨ Please pray for: REACH; Men's BREAKFAST SPECIAL ∨

**Bible readings for February 2020**

Day	Psalm	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup>	44	Genesis 29.31-30.24	2 Timothy 4.1-8
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	48	Genesis 31.1-24	2 Timothy 4.9-end
Weds 19 <sup>th</sup>	119.57-80	Genesis 31.25-32.2	Titus 1
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup>	57	Genesis 32.3-30	Titus 2
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	51	Genesis 33.1-17	Titus 3
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup>	68	Genesis 35	Philemon

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)**