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

Living for Jesus; Loving Gillingham;
Learning Together

Mission Focus: Francis & Diane
Dognon; The Fisherman Trust

St. Mark's Event:
Easter Services

19th April 2020

SUNDAY 19th April:

2nd Sunday of Easter

Please note that all Sunday morning services will be livestreamed on Facebook for the foreseeable future - thank you.



Love. Grow. Serve.

10.30am: Service of the Word

Theme: **Created with Jesus' DNA**

Reading: Ephesians 4:11-16

No evening services or St Mary's Island services until further notice

No Rock Ministry or Summit this week

Please be aware that St Mark's Pre-school is closed due to the coronavirus.

WHAT'S ON DURING THIS WEEK:

Please note that due to the Coronavirus no groups or meetings other than Foodbank will be taking place until further notice.

Mon-Sat: 9am Reflection with Amanda Maskell and compline at **8pm, both online**



Thurs 23rd April: 1.00pm-3.00pm:
Foodbank in Church

Sat 25th April: 10.00am-noon:
Foodbank, in church

11am: **Bibles over breakfast** re-starts via Zoom. This is aimed at 14-18yr olds. Please contact simonmorbey@stmarksgillingham.org

SUNDAY 26th April:

3rd Sunday of Easter

10.30am: Holy Communion

Theme: **Created to receive good gifts**

1.00pm: **Rock Ministry** on Zoom.

7.00pm: **Summit** on Zoom

For Rock Ministry & Summit please contact

simonmorbey@stmarksgillingham.org

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FAMILY NEWS



Online Sunday School lessons now on Facebook. Simon & Katie have been recording short lessons so our children

don't miss out. Check them out!

Karen Turnbull, Community Pastor writes, "Dear everyone, I have now set up a space on Trello for our virtual prayer room, and registered it with 24?7 as a virtual prayer room. Trello allows you to post messages on boards. So far I have created:

"praise and thanksgiving"

"prayers for healing"

"organisations in Gillingham"

There is also a link to the google doc for those who wish to pray at the same time every week.

This is the link for you (or any other Christian in gillingham) to sign up.

<https://trello.com/invite/virtualprayerroomgillinghamkent/c20516eb1f562b857add6f687ff2f996>

Thank you for your time

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Gillingham – The Good Neighbour Scheme

from the Salvation Army. If you can help or more information please see the link below:

<https://gillinghamcorps.info/GoodNeighbour/>

Harris writes, "I would like to make you aware of the Good Neighbour scheme which we've just launched as a response to this crisis. It is a scheme by which we aim to recruit volunteers and then match them with homes in isolation in order to help them with shopping and things like this."



Medway Foodbank are changing the way they operate due to coronavirus. They are closing all the Foodbank Centres on Monday 27th April 2020 and

moving to a 'delivery only' system.

Lorraine their Project Manager would like to express a huge gratitude to all the wonderful folk and the amazing teams that have (including those who have recently stepped in to support them) all got on with helping in such an efficient way and all those staying at home praying for the rest of us.

Gillingham Time Capsule project: Make your very own time capsule during this unusual time

we are in. Join in on the 18th April online at gillinghamkenttimecapsule2020.wordpress.com where everyone can document "a day in the life" contact Karen Turnbull for more info.

St Mark's Website Message Board

Please send any messages, pictures, stories, links, requests, news etc, to: message@stmarksgillingham.org These will be posted on our website for encouragement, information and advice.



Wash Bag Appeal for NHS workers. Can you help? For full details please go to our website www.stmarksgillingham.org under Latest News. Thank you.



POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

"We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labour prompted by love and your endurance inspired by hope in our LORD Jesus Christ." 1 Thessalonians 1:3 (NIV UK)

LORD Jesus thank you that in setting us free from our sin and guilt You release us to be the people You created us to be. Please help us to remember that we are not saved by works, but by Your redeeming sacrifice once for all. All we need to do is believe in You, Jesus our LORD and this faith sets us free! How can we ever praise You enough Amen.

Praise the LORD for the amount and different forms of kindness big and small He has showered us with.

Praise for all the many different Easter Services that we can watch or listen to.

Pray for our Mission Partners **Francis & Diane Dognon** in France and the **Fisherman Trust** in India as the lock-downs due to coronavirus continues cause hardship, pain and loneliness... **Ask the LORD** to help each person feel His presence, love & blessing.

Pray for those who have lost loved ones to coronavirus and the extra stress & hurt this is causing due to lock-down... **Ask the LORD** to help each person to find space to grieve.

Continue to pray for all those affected by Covid 19... **Lisa Higham's** friend **Charlie** on a ventilator in Medway Hospital and his wife & young daughter... **Amanda's** sister who is picking up

extra work from her boss who has just lost her husband & sister-in-law to Covid 19... **Amanda's** cousin **Sandra** who is unable to receive treatment for breast cancer due to the virus... **Amanda's** friends **Jill, Charlie & her husband...**

Continue to pray for **Saju, Katy & the children** as they were reunited this morning (Thursday 16th). For the relief & happiness they must be feeling. May God surround them with his loving arms.

Praise for all those who are recovering from coronavirus... Boris Johnson... Karen Turnbull & her husband... Simon and his son Nate... Jane Bannar-Martin's son Tim... Pauline Jackson's family - Peter, Laura & Cathy

Continue to pray for healing and the treatment for **Katie Jenkins' Step-Mum, Clare**, that is due to start on the 27th ... for **Katie's Dad** who isn't allowed into any appointments or treatment sessions with his wife... for the whole family who can't be physically together for hugs and support at this very hard and painful time.

Pray for the new changes happening to **Foodbank** - moving from centres to home delivery service... **Ask the LORD** to help everyone to assess this service that needs it and to provide the funds etc. to meet their needs.

Pray for **Nev & Tina Piper** and family especially the loss of Tina's uncle **Raymond Riddle** and Nev's cancelled knee replacement op, which leaves him in a great deal of pain and the loss of his replacement CPAP machine now being redeployed as a ventilator for hospital use.

Pray for **Richard & Jane Tolhurst** and their family, as Richard's mum passed away recently... for **Tricia Martin's family & friends...** for **Rod & Jenny White and their son Stuart...** for **Gay Gower...** for **Sathish at SMIC...** for **Michael Stacey...** for **Paul Smith...** and **Keith Sheepwash...**for **Stan & Linda Brown...** 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** "You LORD, hear the desire of the afflicted; You encourage them, and You listen to their cry." (Psalm 10:17) **Our God cares alleluia praise the LORD.**

Please pray for: Francis & Diane Dognon; The Fisherman Trust; Easter Services

Bible readings for April 2020

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 20 th	19	Exodus 15.1-21	Colossians 1.1-14
Tues 21 st	8	Exodus 15.22-16.10	Colossians 1.15-end
Weds 22 nd	30	Exodus 16.11-end	Colossians 2.1-15
Thurs 23 rd	5	Joshua 1.1-9	Ephesians 6.10-20
Fri 24 th	61	Exodus 18.1-12	Colossians 3.12-4.1
Sat 25 th	37.23-end	Isaiah 62.6-10	Acts 12.25-13.13

The Church Office is closed to visitors until further notice, but staff working hours are:
Mon 11.00am-3.00pm (staff team meeting takes place from 9.30am-11.00am), Tues & Weds 10.00am-2.00pm,
Thurs 10.00am-3.00pm, Fri 9.15am-1.15pm