

**St Mark's Newsletter | Thurs 29th Oct**

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**ST MARK'S NEWSLETTER**

LIVING FOR JESUS. LOVING GILLINGHAM. LEARNING TOGETHER

**THIS SUNDAY****1st Nov | 10.30am**

All Age Service

Light in the Darkness

[Matthew 5:14-16]

There are currently spaces available to attend the service in person, simply book your seat and watch the video.

The service will also be live streamed on our Facebook page.

[Full details on our website](#)

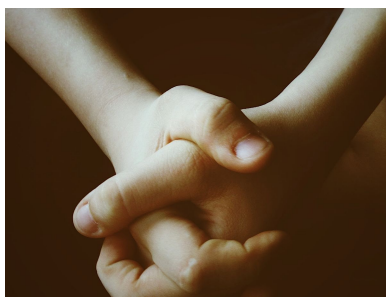
**Book Your Seat**

**CHILDREN'S & YOUTH GROUPS** - *There will be no groups meeting this week*

**THIS WEEK****Online weekly groups**

with our community pastor, Karen Turnbull:

[See Karen's Page for details](#)



## Standing in the Gap (Prayer meeting)

**Saturdays | 7 - 8am | Church**

In church & on Zoom every Saturday.

Join us in person or [online here](#).

[Meeting ID: 223 851 1807 | Passcode: inthegap]



**A Day To Remember**

A chance to remember, grieve and say goodbye to those we have lost during the covid pandemic. Or just space to come and to be, to grieve lost time and opportunities.

**Open to all**

*Candle Lighting  
Reflection  
Sharing  
Prayer  
Craft*

**Sat 31st Oct 2020  
Open 10am - 4pm  
St Mark's Gillingham  
[www.stmarksgillingham.org](http://www.stmarksgillingham.org)**

Social distancing and track & trace will be in place

## A Day to Remember

**Sat 31st Oct | 10am - 4pm | Church**

An open church activity to give the public an opportunity to remember, grieve and say goodbye to those they have lost during the Covid pandemic or just space to come and be, to grieve lost time and opportunities. Please help to spread the word by sharing the [flyer](#) or [Facebook Event](#).



**SAINTS ALIVE**

**IN GOD THERE IS COMFORT FOR  
TODAY AND HOPE FOR TOMORROW.**

Saturday 31st October 2020  
7.30-8.30PM  
Online only via Facebook and Youtube

<https://www.facebook.com/Churches-Together-in-Medway-72100204975379>  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeHwXTBjokN-Zeh6k4PYjWg/>

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Email: [chur@medwaychurch.co.uk](mailto:chur@medwaychurch.co.uk)  
Phone Number: 01634 920491  
Website: <https://together.ourchurchweb.org.uk/medway>

## Saints Alive Online

**Sat 31st Oct | 7.30 - 8.30pm | Online**

An online gathering of the community of believers across the various churches in Medway to celebrate our hope in God.

Join on [Facebook](#) or [Youtube](#)



**ST MARK'S GILLINGHAM**

**CHURCH IS  
OPEN**

Come by between 10am & 1pm every Tuesday for a chat, some fellowship and private prayer.

## Open Church

**Tuesdays | 10am - 1pm | Church**

Please be aware masks must be worn.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact Dammy via [admin@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:admin@stmarksgillingham.org).

Craft Club with Karen Turnbull will also be taking place in person during Open Church

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION & NEWS

- **Katie and Shane** got married at St Mark's last Friday! Let us pray for them as they embark on this adventure together.
- There will be a **thanksgiving service for the life of Keith Sheepwash** as part of the morning service on Sun 15th Nov at the usual time of 10.30am. *Due to the limited capacity in the church, please consider giving priority to those who were unable to attend Keith's funeral in person.*



- Please continue to pray for **Margaret Howlett** and sons, **Mark and Neil**, and their families following David's recent passing; and for all recently bereaved and mourning the loss of loved ones.
- **Asha and Nelson Arul** are preparing themselves to leave for China from India. Please pray for their visa and flight tickets to be processed with ease, negative results for their multiple Covid tests, and finally for God's comfort, peace and rest during their quarantine time when they arrive and return.
- **Sue Jenner** is currently undergoing chemotherapy. **Joyce MacVoy** has had a couple of falls recently and awaiting a CT scan. **Claire & Chris' little niece Connie** is being treated in hospital. **Pauline's daughter-in-law Liz** is continuing her combined chemo & immunotherapy treatments. **Natasha Mcready** undergoing chemo treatment. **Tracey Crouch** MP for Chatham & Aylesford is undergoing chemo. Please pray for these and for all those you know needing the Lord's healing touch and comforts.

- Christmas is coming! Mayowa will be bringing together a **virtual community choir** to record some traditional hymns as well as a brand new Christmas song. Singers of any age are welcome to take part. Sign up by 15th Nov. Get in touch if you are interested: 07951147352, [Singgillinghamsing@gmail.com](mailto:singginghamsing@gmail.com)



- We would love to encourage you all to participate in **Operation Christmas Child**. The mission is to provide God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. This year you can contribute by virtually packing a shoebox online via their website. [Full details here.](#)



- **Foodbank** shopping list requests for Sept/Oct. You can still download and use the [Spareable App](#) to donate or use the drop off bins in supermarkets. [Click here for Sept/Oct Shopping List](#)



- This year the **Winter Night Shelter** is looking to work with the **Hope into Action** model of Supported Housing and is looking for volunteers to decorate and furnish a house to make it into a home. We have supported the Winter Night Shelter, both financially and practically, for a number of years and many guests have benefitted

from the support and have moved onto more permanent accommodation and into jobs. We are focusing now on those who have more complex issues and need a little bit more support to turn their lives around. **If you would like to be involved with this, please contact Saju.**



## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Remembrance Sunday**  
**Sun 8th Nov | Online**  
**10am | Wreath Laying**  
**10.45am | Remembrance Service**

This Remembrance Sunday we will be doing things differently. We can only have a small number of people in the building and so we are encouraging people to join us online. [Click here for the digital invitation to share.](#)



**Bible Stream**  
**Sun 8th Nov | 6.30pm | Online**

A mix of in-depth teaching of the Bible with the accessibility of being able to questions and make comments. This month Chris Cordle will be taking us through the gospel of Mark. [See the website for full details.](#)



**NEXT SUNDAY**  
**8th Nov | 10.30am**

**Remembrance Day Service**



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