

# THIS SUNDAY - 1st May

MORNING SERVICE | 10.30am | In Church & Online All Age Service

### **CHILDREN & YOUTH GROUPS**

- No groups due to all age service.
- SUMMIT | 7pm | Old Vicarage

## **THIS WEEK**

Home Groups - Throughout the week

Standing in the Gap (Prayer meeting)

Saturdays | 7 - 8am | Online

On Zoom: Meeting ID: 223 851 1807 | Passcode: inthegap

### Open Church

## Tuesday | 10am - 12pm | Church

Come along for a chat, fellowship or private prayer with refreshments. Please be aware masks are advised. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Dammy via admin@stmarksgillingham.org.

#### Parent & Toddlers

## Wednesdays | 1.15-2.45pm | Vicarage Hall

Fun space for children to play and for parents/guardians to connect. No need to book, just drop up. Wednesdays in term time.

### **NEWS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

- All group leaders please submit your report to Vicky Allen vickyalle@gmail.com by Friday 29 April for inclusion in the Annual Reports for the period 1 January 2021- 31 December 2021
- The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place Sunday 22
   May at 3.00pm. We will elect our Churchwardens Deanery Synod



and PCC Representatives and review the past year.

- If you would like to join the **Electoral Roll** you can do so by filling the form which is available online or from Denise Young in church. Completed forms can be returned to Denise in person or scanned and emailed to denisemaryyoung@gmail.com. **Closing** date for applications is 6th May.
- St Mark's Church Gillingham is seeking to appoint a part time
   Administration Assistant/Digital Lead. This role will undertake
   administrative duties including some financial record keeping to
   assist the Treasurer and also adopt and oversee the Digital
   content for the church. For full job description see the website:
   <u>www.stmarksgillingham.org/jobvacancy</u>
- We are pleased to announce that the PCC has appointed Mike Young as Gift Aid Secretary. If you would like to start to Gift Aid your giving or have any questions, please speak with Mike in church or contact him by email - michaeliyoung3@gmail.com
- St Mark's Preschool is looking to appoint a Healthy Eating
   Coordinator to work 16 hours a week, term time only.
   Responsibilities include, but not limited to, preparing healthy snacks, teaching children about healthy eating and various kitchen duties. Rate of pay to be discussed. For more details please see the website:
  - www.stmarksgillingham.org/healthyeatingcoordinator
- Chequer Tree Camp is a summer Christian camp largely attended by children connected to the work of The Family Trust across Maidstone, Medway and Swale. The camp is currently held at Boughton Monchelsea Primary School, just outside of Maidstone, during the first two weeks of the summer holidays. We welcome children aged 9-12 for a week of fun, games, the opportunity to make new friends and to learn about the Christian faith. See the website www.chequertree.org.uk for all the details you need,



including dates, costs and booking details.

• The Family Trust is looking to recruit a new Schools' Worker. They are looking for a dynamic, self-motivated individual who can join our excellent team. The mission at The Family Trust is to inspire the next generation to explore Christianity and this is an exciting opportunity to help children and young people understand more about Jesus Christ. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.familytrust.org.uk/join-our-team">https://www.familytrust.org.uk/join-our-team</a>,

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

#### The World -

- For God's Word to reach new lives and to touch old ones that need re-kindling (speak out God's Word when you're out & about); and for time and circumstance to allow God's Peace to reign.
- **Ukraine** For peace and hope in the tragedy of the war; rescue for the incarcerated; healing for the sick, injured and wounded in mind, body and spirit.
- For great wisdom for our world leaders in the pursuance of justice.
- Guidance for France now President Macron has been re-elected and for the new elections soon to France's National Assembly; and energy & conviction for candidates and voters in the forthcoming UK local elections.
- For the funeral today of **Harry Billinge**, a man of faith and a D-Day veteran who spent more than 60 years collecting for the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal, and his commitment to erecting the British Normandy Memorial.

### Gillingham & Medway -



- For our open spaces to sing out God's Peace; our streets be marked with Christian footsteps & God's Glory; and our churches to be welcoming to all the Lord is leading to Himself.
- The 'Leaves of the Trees' display by artist Peter Walker is at Rochester Cathedral a carpet of 5000 steel leaves engraved with 'hope', as a memorial to the coronavirus pandemic in the Quire until 22<sup>nd</sup> May.
- PCC, Church Wardens and those in leadership at St Marks and SMIC; and pray too for the churches in your neighbourhood in their ministries and outreach.

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If you would like to be added to the **Prayer & Praise** email list to receive weekly praise reports and prayer requests from our church family please contact Kath Burtrand: <a href="mailto:kathyb.nana@yahoo.co.uk">kathyb.nana@yahoo.co.uk</a>

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

NEXT SUNDAY | 8th May Dorcas Restored to Life

Speaker: Andy Wooding-Jones

Reading: Acts 9:36-43

#### Men's Breakfast

Sat 14th May | 8.45am | Vicarage Hall

Home cooked breakfast with guest speaker Andy Millest. Time to mingle and learn from each other. Invite your friends and neighbours. Please RSVP to Dammy - 07984920038

#### Women's Breakfast

Sat 21st May | 9 - 11.30am | Gillingham Salvation Army
For women of all ages, with breakfast, conversation and inspiring
words from women. Hosted by the Salvation Army in collaboration with
St Mark's.



**Guest Speaker** Chris Curtis

Worship: Sherry Pablo and Sarah Salcedo

Craft Activity: Hannah Whittaker

Suggested donation: £5

For more info and to book your place email: julie@gillinghamcorps.info

### **Gospel Night**

29th May | 6.30pm | Church

A night of unhindered praise and worship. With guest speaker Councillor Gloria Opara and Guest Artiste Pastor Mark Anderton. Doors open from 6pm, refreshments served.

### HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK

St Mark's Church Canterbury Street, Gillingham, ME7 5TP Registered Charity 1141709 Office hours:

Monday, Wednesday & Fridays | 9.30am - 2.30pm

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Please contact the office if you need to make an appointment & do not drop by without prior arrangement.