



MARKtime

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

To please God. Teach his word. Serve others
and Connect people with Jesus

29 January 2012

Mission Focus for January – Lucy Wheatley
Mission Focus for February – Katy Barnwell

Epiphany 3

10.30am: Service of the Word

Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:17-34

Theme: 'Care for others & unity in the body of Christ'

6.30pm: Holy Communion

Reading: Luke 18:31-19: 10

Theme: 'At Jericho: a blind man and a tax collector'

Other Services Today:

11.00am St. Mary's Island – Morning Worship – 'Mission Shaped Church'

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK:

Mon 30th Jan: 10.00am-12.00pm Coffee Shop in church

10.15am **CAP Money Management Course**, in church

7.30pm-9.15pm Landmark, Old Vic

Wed 1st Feb: 9.00am Communion in church

10.00am Ladies Group, 'Eliphaz', Old Vic

1.15pm-2.45pm Parent & Toddler Group, Vic Hall

Thurs 2nd Feb: 9.30am-10.30am **Church is open for prayer.**

7.15pm for food – 8.00pm The Recovery Course, Old Vic

7.30pm Glenn McWatt's Licensing @ St. James Church, Grain, Rochester, ME3 0BS – everyone welcome.

Fri 3rd Feb: 6.15pm-7.30pm **Kidz Klub** (for 7-11's), Old Vic

7.45pm-9.15pm **Youth Drop-in**

Sat 4th Feb: 8.00pm **The God Particle** starring James Cary & Abby Guinness, St. Peter's Fulham. Tickets £8.00 & £6.00 concessions at www.nicelythankyou.com The 8pm performance is sold out, but there is now a 5.30pm performance.

Monday-Friday during term time
9.15am-12.15pm, **Playgroup**, Vic. Hall

Small Groups meet in various locations at different times throughout the week – *please* see Gary or Chris Atkins if you would like to be involved.

Next Sunday: 5th February

10.30am All Age Service

6.30pm Holy Communion

Other Services:

11.00am St. Mary's Island – Holy Communion

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Tues 7th Feb: 7.30pm Medway Foodbank volunteers meeting, Old Vic – for more information or to confirm attendance contact Wim Mauritz or just turn up.



Sat 11 Feb: Splat! Love – more volunteers are needed to help with craft activities, to chat with families and help out generally. See either Sarah Ryan or Jo Whittaker. Also **volunteers to bake home-made cakes** – please sign up at the back of church.



Sun 19th Feb: 3.00pm Energize Community Choir in aid of Faith and Light, Union St. Methodist Church, Maidstone ME14 1ES (includes Cream Tea) . Event FREE – donations welcome.

Sat 3 Mar 2012: 7.30pm MEDWAY MUSIC 2012 Concert – (A celebration of music – Medway), in church, tickets on the door £5.00 & £2.00 (students under 19). *More info to follow.* They are looking for volunteers to help with light refreshments (tea, coffee, biscuits), if you can help, please contact the church office.

Sat 10th Mar 2012: 10.00am-4.30pm World on Our Doorstep 2012 – REACH THE NATIONS *through international student ministry at your church or Christian Union*, All Souls Langham Place, London, W1B 3DA – please see Lynne Martin for more information thank you.



FAMILY NEWS:

Nikki Bailey is running in the Edinburgh Marathon in May in aid of Medway Hospital facilities for Byron Ward, elderly care – sponsor forms at the back of church, thank you.



We received the following 'thank you' card:

Dear Friends at St Mark's, thank you ever so much for your very kind and generous farewell gestures: 1. The card with warm greetings and fond expressions of love. 2. The bountiful monetary gift of £765. 3. The lovely framed picture which will be hung in a strategic place as a fitting reminder of our three and a half years of fellowship. 4. The bring-and-share lunch which was a most enjoyable occasion of social camaraderie. 5. Chris' entertaining song! Sincere thanks once again to everyone whose contributions made all these expressions of love possible. Love in Christ, Glenn and Irene.

Graham Davis would still appreciate more volunteers for his teams to go in to Charing House Residential and Nursing Home on a monthly basis. Please speak to him if you can help thank you.

POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER



Thank you, Lord that you cared so much for us that You willingly came into our world to die for each one of us to restore the broken relationship with Your creation.

Please pray for a world cleansed and set free from corruption. Ask the Lord to transform attitudes concerning the issues of bribery and 'dirty money' (money laundering etc.) to achieve good governance. Corruption in all its forms exacerbates poverty and affects the most vulnerable in society most.

Please continue to pray for Nigeria and the effects that the bomb blasts caused by Boko Haram are having on this country. Pray for our Christian brothers and sisters caught up in this situation, pray also for the general unrest in the country. Please remember the international students studying here in Medway too.

Continue to remember Robbie, Bridget and Zak Weet, as well as Trevor Dyer and Edward (Ted) Elston as their health improves.

Please also pray for Lesley Boast recovering from surgery and Annie Townsend to feel well in herself.

Please continue to pray for Glenn and Irene as they make final preparations for their move to the Isle of Grain, where they will soon commence ministry in the parish of Grain with Stoke. Pray for the Lord's wisdom and Grace in the new challenges ahead.

Praise the Lord for the Caring for Ex-offenders' scheme and all those who take part. Thank the Lord that in Him all hope resides and that He never turns anyone away. Pray for encouragement, wisdom and strengthening relationships. Pray also for safety.

Pray for our mission partners for the months of January and February: Lucy Wheatley of 'Word on the Street' and Katy Barnwell 'Wycliffe Bible Translators'. Please refer to the Missions Board for the latest info.

Bible readings for January/February

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 30 th	1	Leviticus 19.1-18, 30-end	1 Timothy 1.1-17
Tues 31 st	5	Leviticus 23.1-22	1 Timothy 1.18-end of 2
Wed 1 st	119.1-32	Leviticus 23.23-end	1 Timothy 3
Thurs 2 nd	15	Leviticus 24.1-9	1 Timothy 4
Fri 3 rd	19	Leviticus 25.1-24	1 Timothy 5.1-16
Sat 4 th	23	Numbers 6.1-5, 21-end	1 Timothy 5.17-end

We would love to get to know you. Please help us by filling in your details and returning this section to the church office. Thank you.

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Age Group: Under 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 20 - 30 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 - 45 <input type="checkbox"/> 45 - 60 <input type="checkbox"/> 60+ <input type="checkbox"/>	Student: U'Grad <input type="checkbox"/> P'Grad <input type="checkbox"/> M/F <input type="checkbox"/> 26-Jan-12