

BIBLE READINGS for - September

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon. 8th	Ps. 44	1Cor. 5: 1-8	Luke 6: 6-11
Tue. 9th	Ps. 48	1Cor. 6: 1-11	Luke 6: 12-19
Wed. 10th	Ps. 45	1Cor. 7: 25-31	Luke 6: 20-26
Thu. 11th	Ps. 57	1Cor. 8: 1-end	Luke 6: 27-38
Fri. 12th	Ps. 51	1Cor. 9: 16-end	Luke 6: 39-42
Sat. 13th	Ps. 68	1Cor. 10: 14-22	Luke 6: 43-end

Points for Praise and Prayer

- We want to thank God for those ordained Deacon this past weekend and pray especially for the Rev. Rob Ryan and his ministry based at Rochester Cathedral. Mark Windsor a past Youth Worker at St. Mark's was also ordained Deacon a few weeks ago in the Chelmsford area.
- Mike King has begun his youth ministry with us and Sarah Ryan has moved into a voluntary role as our children's ministry co-ordinator. We pray for them both as well as their teams as they begin and plan a new term of activity together
- Glenn McWatt our Associate Vicar at St. Mark's is also the Chaplain at St. Mary's Island School. Mike King, as you will know, is the school's Chaplain at New Brompton College. We feel that both these appointments are hugely significant roles in the genuine mission of the Church into the life of the local community. As a congregation you are invited to pray regularly for this work of God.
- Sarah Ryan is the full time Foundation Stage Leader at Barnsole Infants - this is a new role for her. We are so grateful to God for her ministry with us and wish her every blessing in this new undertaking.
- We continue to remember in our prayers those who are unwell / or are recovering namely, Terry Whittaker, Daphne Beck, John and Doreen Bodkin, Rose Clay, Des and Celia Dickinson, Chris Green, Sandra Pedder and Lucy Littlewood. Pray too for Bruce and Natasha.
- Last but not least we are asked to remember Lucy Haslam, Relay Worker at York University. Please pray for her as she settles into her new role there. Further details can be found on the Missions Board.

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with St. Mary's Island Church (a Local Ecumenical Partnership)

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Connecting people with Jesus

PRAYER FOR TODAY

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers
of your people who call upon you;
and grant that they may both perceive and know
what things they ought to do,
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, Amen.

Today's Services

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30 am: All Age Worship

Reflection: Sarah Ryan

Reading: Philippians 2: 12-16

Theme: 'An Open Door'

6.30 pm: Holy Communion

Reflection: Ernie Mann

Reading: Matthew 25: 31-46

Theme: 'The Kingdom of God'

Other services today: 11.00 am - Holy Communion at St Mary's Island Church

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S

If you are new to St. Mark's we hope that you enjoy your time of worship here with us today and that you will want to come back again next week. Please pick up a Welcome Leaflet from the back which has information about all the regular activities.

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 from 10.20 am. All children (except the under 5's) are escorted back down to Church at the end of the morning. There is usually a crèche for babies in the Church Vestry during the morning service. All our Youth Workers and helpers are CRB checked through the diocese for your child's protection and safety .

What's on this week at St. Mark's

- Monday 8th** 10.00 am - Coffee Shop in Church
7.30 - 9.30 pm - Landmark
8.00 pm - MTG meeting at St. Mark's Vicarage
- Tuesday 9th** 8.00 pm - Pastoral Leadership Team Meeting
at the Old Vicarage
- Wednesday 10th** 9.00 am - Holy Communion in Church
10.00 am - Ladies Group at the Old Vicarage
'Depending on God'
1.15 pm - 2.45 pm - Parent and Toddler Group in
Vicarage Hall
- Friday 12th** 6.15 - 7.30 pm - Kidz Klub for children 7-11 years at the
Old Vicarage
SNUG young people to Fort Rocky until Sunday
- Saturday 13th** 10.00 am - 6.00 pm - Friends of Kent Churches - Sponsored
Ride and Walk - see opposite
6.00 pm - Healing Service at Rochester Cathedral
- Next Sunday -
14th September** 10.30 am - Holy Communion
6.30 pm - Evening Worship
Sunday Groups for Children resume
- Monday - Friday** during term time - 9.30 am - 12.15 pm - Playgroup

*Home Groups will begin again officially on Tuesday September 16th
We shall be following through a series of studies on Nehemiah*

Dates for your diary.....

- Monday 15th September - PCC meeting at the Old Vicarage
Wednesday 17th September - Music Co-ordinators meeting at Sarah Mann's
Saturday 27th September - Barn Dance and Ploughman's Supper - see opposite
Sunday 28th September - Special Service at St Mark's and Back to Church Sunday

**Ladies Group Crèche needs another helper
On Wednesday mornings during term time
10.00 am - 12.00 pm
Please speak to Judith if interested
CRB check will be required**



FRIENDS of KENT CHURCHES

Sponsored Ride and Walk

10.00 am - 6.00 pm
Saturday 13 September 2008

Please sign up at the back of the church if you would like to help raise money for churches in Kent and for St Mark's.

Volunteers are also needed to record cyclists & walkers from other churches visiting St Mark's and to help serve refreshments.

All are invited
to celebrate the marriage
of
Karen and Trevor
on
Saturday 20th September
at 2.00 pm
at St Marks Church
and afterwards at St Barnabas
Church Hall

Can you
help?



Jess(ica) (18) is arriving from New Zealand on 13th September to work with GYFC and needs a host family to stay with. Please ring Abby at GYFC on 578128. Thank you



Barn Dance and Ploughman's Supper

here at St Mark's Church
Saturday 27th September 2008
6.00 for 6.30 pm - 9.45 pm

Fun, fun - for everyone!
Tickets, available soon
Children under 10 years - free

