

BIBLE READINGS for - May

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon. 19th	Ps. 1	James 3: 13-end	Mark 9: 14-29
Tue. 20th	Ps. 5	James 4: 1-10	Mark 9: 30-37
Wed. 21st	Ps. 119	James 4: 13-end	Mark 9: 38-40
Thu. 22nd	Ps. 147	James 5: 1-6	Mark 9: 41-50
Fri. 23rd	Ps. 19	James 5: 9-12	Mark 10: 1-12
Sat. 24th	Ps. 23	James 5: 13-end	Mark 10: 13-16

Points for Praise and Prayer

- The quest for a Youth Worker continues. A number of competent people have been short listed and interviews are due to take place in early June. We are really looking for someone who can make an impact on the School as well as pastoring our growing no. of young people here at Church. So please keep praying.
- Our Mission Partners this month are the Barrows family - they work with SIM and are based in South Africa. Both Tim and Tricia hold responsible positions. Pray for them and their four teenage young people - for their education, well being and daily protection. See the Mission Board for further details.
- We remember in our prayers those who are unwell namely, Terry Whittaker, Daphne Beck, John and Doreen Bodkin, Des Dickinson, Bea Taylor and Lucy Littlewood. We also pray for all who are facing challenges at this time either at home, at work or just in life.
- On the international scene we continue to hold in our prayers the peoples of Burma, China and Darfur. Israel celebrated a 60th Anniversary this week - pray for the peace of Jerusalem.
- Glenn and Irene McWatt move into the Garden House on Thursday. Pray for them in the hassle of moving house, for their welcome here as well as the excitement of a new posting and all the challenges that will bring. Glenn is to be licensed on Thursday 12th June and there will be a service of welcome on Sunday 15th June at St. Mark's.
- Last but not least pray for the meeting of the new PCC on Monday evening and for the appointment of the church officers.

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

A Mission Shaped Church

Connecting people with Jesus

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Almighty and everlasting God,
you have given us your servants grace,
by the confession of a true faith,
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the
Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith,
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, Amen

Today's Services

Trinity Sunday

10.30 am: Holy Communion

6.30 pm:

Reflection: John Saunders

Reading: Isaiah 6: 1-8

Informal Service by our Young People

Matthew 28: 16 - end

Theme: 'The Holy Trinity'

Other services today: 11.00 am - Morning Service at St Mary's Island Church
and **6.30 pm** - Service of Baptism

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 19th** 10.00 am - Coffee Shop in Church
7.30 pm - 9.15 pm - Landmark at the Old Vicarage
The Word - part 2
7.45 for 8.00 pm - PCC meeting at the Old Vicarage
- Tuesday 20th** 8.00 pm - Home groups
- Wednesday 21st** 9.00 am - Holy Communion in Church
10.00 am - Ladies group at the Old Vicarage
'The Work of the Holy Spirit'
1.15 pm - 2.45 pm - Parent and Toddler Group in Vicarage Hall
7.30 pm - Christianity Explored at the Old Vicarage
'Jesus - his resurrection'
- Friday 23rd** 6.15 - 7.30 pm - Kidz Klub for children 7-11 years at the Old Vicarage
- Saturday 24th** 4.00 pm Wedding in Church - Genna and David
- Next Sunday - 25th** 10.30 am - Morning Worship
6.30 pm - Prayer Evening

Monday - Friday during term time - 9.30 am - 12.15 pm - Playgroup

Dates for your diary.....

- Tuesday 3rd June - Prayer and Praise at the Old Vicarage*
- Sunday 15th June - Service of Welcome for Glenn and Irene McWatt followed by lunch at Church*
- Sunday 11th June - Friends of GYFC sponsored run*
- Monday 16th June - Standing Committee meeting*
- Weekend 21st - 22nd June - Diocesan Weekend at Detling - See opposite*
- Friday 11th July - GYFC Charity Golf Day at Deangate Ridge Golf Course - details to follow*
- Sunday 13th July - Family Fun Day at Riverside - details to follow*

St Mark's Playgroup still has a few vacancies for September
Call Julie Hanning 07807 577836



Diocese of Rochester

Together @ Detling

A weekend of events 21-22 June

at the Kent County Showground, Detling.

Over the weekend, we will be thinking about what it means to be
One People with One Purpose and One Passion.

Programme of Events:

Saturday

- 10.00 am Opening Worship
10.30 am Time 'together@detling' Part 1
12.00pm Time to Explore
5.00 pm Time to Mingle including BBQ, Hog Roast, Dancing and Music

Sunday

- 10.00 am Opening Worship
10.30 am Time 'together at Detling' Part 2
12.00 pm Time to Explore
2.00 pm Break
3.00 pm Time 'together 'Detling' Part 3 including Petertide Ordination Service to which all are welcome invited.

There is no charge for the day but we need to book please indicate your intention to go by putting your name on the list provided at the back of the church



Care for the Family thanks the team from St Marks for their help during the Marriage Conference which all ran very smoothly

The Weekend of Action is on hold for the time being

