

BIBLE READINGS for - October

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon. 20 th	30	Leviticus 19:1-18	2 Timothy 4:1-8
Tues. 21 st	36	Leviticus 23:1-22	2 Timothy 4:9-end
Wed. 22 nd	34	Leviticus 23:23-end	Titus 1
Thurs. 23 rd	37	Leviticus 24:1-9	Titus 2
Fri. 24 th	31	Leviticus 25:1-24	Titus 3
Sat. 25 th	42	Numbers 6:1-5 & 21-end	Philemon

Points for Praise and Prayer

- Pray for the Tozer family. Firstly, give thanks for the safe arrival of Chris and Mandy at Crossroads. Continue to remember Mike and Helen in their early days of adjustment to life with baby Hannah. Pray for Mike on paternity leave, and for those covering for him in his absence.
- Claire Coleman is due to attend a conference at the OM HQ in Oswestry next week-end, as part of her preparation/application to work with the organization. Pray for her, she may well have her interview at the same time, to decide whether she is a suitable candidate for a post in which she hopes to offer her skills as a physiotherapist.
- Please pray for Joy Thomas (widow of David who died last May). She has made an application for British nationalization, so do pray that the process will prove to be successful, thus enabling her to stay in the UK with her two children Chris and Heather. She is currently redecorating her home in Oswestry and hopes to find a suitable lodger to help meet her expenses.
- Remember to pray for SPLAT! - St Mark's Holiday Club (28th – 31st October). Pray that there will be a manageable number of children in attendance, and for all those who are involved in making preparations and leading the four days of activity.
- Continue to remember those of our number who are in need of the Lord's healing. Daphne Beck, John and Doreen Bodkin, Rose Clay, Des and Celia Dickinson, Chris Green and Terry Whittaker. Pray also for Bruce and Natasha.
- Friday of this week marks the start of Disarmament Week. Please pray for all People around the world who suffer as a result of the arms trade. Let us remember that some of the developed world's wealth comes from arms trading. A special prayer follows: "Lord, we offer with sorrow and repentance our society that deems acceptable weapons of destruction against fellow human beings." Amen!

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Connecting people with Jesus

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, Amen.

Today's Services

Trinity 22

10.30 am: Morning Worship
Reflection: Sister Julia Crathorn
Readings: 2 Samuel 19: 34-37
Psalm 90
Luke 2: 25-38
Theme: 'The Latter Years'

6.30 pm: Youth Led Service
Reflection: Lucy Wheatley
Readings: Galatians 5: 22-25
Philippians 2: 1-5
Theme: 'Being like Jesus outside the church building'

Other services today: 11.00 am - Morning Worship at St Mary's Island Church (Including 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 .

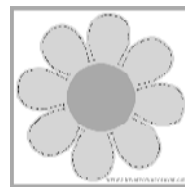
What's on this week at St. Mark's

- Monday 20th** 10.00 am - Coffee Shop in Church
 7.30 - 9.15 pm - Landmark (14-18's) - Old Vicarage
'One body, loads of gifts and abilities!'
 7.00 pm - Standing Committee Meeting - Old Vicarage
 8.00 pm - Extra ordinary PCC meeting - Old Vicarage
- Tuesday 21st** 8.00 pm - Home Groups
- Wednesday 22nd** 9.00 am - Holy Communion in Church
 10.15 am - Ladies Group - Old Vicarage
'Family History'
 1.15 pm - 2.45 pm - Parent and Toddler Group - Vicarage Hall
- Friday 24th** 10.00 am - Lydia Prayer Group - Old Vicarage
 6.15 pm - 7.30 pm - Kidz Klub (7-11's) - Old Vicarage
- Saturday 25th** Remember to put clocks back at bedtime
- Next Sunday - 26th October** 10.30 am - Holy Communion - Bible Sunday
 6.30 pm - Prayer Evening
- Monday - Friday** during term time - 9.30 am - 12.15 pm - Playgroup

Dates for your diary.....

- Tuesday 28th - Friday 31st October - SPLAT! week
 Sunday 2nd November - All Age Family Worship
 Tuesday 4th November - Deanery Synod meeting
 Sunday 9th November - Remembrance Service
 Monday 10th November - MTG meeting
 Tuesday 11th November - Pastoral Leadership Team meeting
 Friday 14th November - Dave Bilbrough Concert - see opposite

The Black Lion event originally planned for Sunday 15th November, has been re scheduled to take place on Sunday 28th February 2009



Psychedelic SPLAT!

St Mark's Children's Holiday Club
 Tuesday 28th - Friday 31st October



Lava or fibre optic lamps etc. are needed to help create the 60's atmosphere, if you can help please see Sarah

For prayers for SPLAT! please see back page



Destiny Africa Children's Choir

Wednesday 22nd October 7:30pm

St. Luke's Church, Foley Street,
 Maidstone. Tickets £5.00

For information & tickets:
 Tel. 01622 661169

Dave Bilbrough

Live at St Mark's

Friday
 14th November
 7.30 pm



Tickets £5.00

Tel. 01634 570489 or 01634 572632



Trustees are needed for Medway Carers Centre - please speak to Rachel Littlewood if interested

Amendment:

Karen and Trevor thank all those who came to their wedding and for donations to Cancer Research. They raised £230, the total raised was £21,400



Hi Pam!

Pam is still collecting email contacts.

If you have not already done so please email her in the office to say hello

Thank you.

Big thank you to **Derick Thom** for painting the new cupboards in Vicarage Hall!

