

BIBLE READINGS for - September

Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon. 1st	Ps. 30	1Cor. 2: 1-5	Luke 4: 16-30
Tue. 2nd	Ps. 36	1Cor. 2: 1-10	Luke 4: 31-37
Wed. 3rd	Ps. 34	1Cor. 3: 1-9	Luke 4: 38-end
Thu. 4th	Ps. 37	1Cor. 3: 18-end	Luke 5: 1-11
Fri. 5th	Ps. 31	1Cor. 4: 1-5	Luke 5: 33-end
Sat. 6th	Ps. 42	1Cor. 4: 6-15	Luke 6: 1-5

Points for Praise and Prayer

- There are so many good things to thank God for so lets not be slow in giving Him the honour due to His name. Thank Him for holiday times, family life, warm days, exam results, new life, refreshment and relaxation as well as work, study and friends, etc.
- Congratulations to Bruce and Natasha on the safe arrival of Luke McCready - a brother to Peter and grandson to Ros. Natasha has not been well this past week and would value prayer.
- Our Mission Partner for the month has been Lynne Martin but we are asked to pray too for Lucy Haslam as she begins work with students at York University. Jan and Mintie from MET ask for prayer for the Mission Retreat taking place this weekend and also for husband Des who is not well.
- We continue to remember in our prayers those who are unwell / or are recovering from surgery, Terry Whittaker, Daphne Beck, John and Doreen Bodkin, Rose Clay, Des Dickinson, Chris Green, Sandra Pedder and Lucy Littlewood.
- Some of our young people have already gone back to school / college. Please pray for the others who begin school again this week. Pray for the teachers and other staff as well as parents and pupils. Pray too for Mike King as he begins his ministry here at St. Mark's and at New Brompton College and for Sarah and her ministry at Barnsole Infants.
- Finally congratulations to Rob Ryan and all those being ordained deacon this coming Saturday.

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The Weekly News-sheet for St. Mark's Church, Gillingham
with St. Mary's Island Church (a Local Ecumenical Partnership)

A Mission Shaped Church

Connecting people with Jesus

PRAYER FOR TODAY

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit
upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:
grant that your people may be fervent
in the fellowship of the gospel
that, always abiding in you,
they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, Amen.

Today's Services

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.30 am: Holy Communion

6.30 pm: Evening Worship

Reflection: Rob Ryan

Readings: Romans 12: 9-21

Theme: 'Amazing Grace' - The Film

Theme: 'The Heart of the Matter'

Other services today: 11.00 am - Morning Service 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

Please watch this space for the date that each group resumes in September. Thank you.

- Tuesday 2nd** 8.00pm - Prayer and Praise at the Old Vicarage
- Wednesday 3rd** 9.00 am - Holy Communion in Church
8.00 pm - Sunday Children's Group leaders meeting
7.00 pm - 9.00 pm - Faith and Light in Vicarage Hall
- Friday 5th** 6.00 pm - Kidz Club leaders meeting
- Saturday 6th** 3.00 pm - Rob Ryan's Ordination at Rochester Cathedral
- Next Sunday -
7th September** 10.30 am - All Age Family Service - Commissioning of Youth
and Children's workers
6.30 pm - Holy Communion
- Monday - Friday** during term time - 9.30 am - 12.15 pm - Playgroup

Dates for your diary.....

- Monday 9th September - Pastoral Leadership Team Meeting
- Friday 12th - Sunday 14th September - **SNUG** young people to Fort Rocky
- Saturday 13th September - Friend's of Kent Churches Sponsored Ride and Walk -
see opposite
- Saturday 13th September - Healing Service at Rochester Cathedral
- 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

Activity sheets for the children can be found at the back of the church
Please help yourself and return the crayons to the box for re-use

Thank you!



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 Friends of Kent Churches and St Mark's.

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

Another helper is needed for Ladies Group Crèche on Wednesday mornings from 10.00 am - 12.00 pm during term time. CRB check will be required. If interested please speak to Judith

As most of you know, Sarah Ryan will be teaching fulltime from September whilst continuing to coordinate the children's ministry on a voluntary basis. If you would like to contribute towards a leaving gift for her, please use the enclosed envelope marked 'A gift for Sarah'

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

