

## BIBLE READINGS for OCTOBER

Day		Psalm	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
Mon	5 <sup>th</sup>	71	2 Chronicles 9:1-12	Mark 14:1-11
Tues.	6 <sup>th</sup>	73	2 Chronicles 10:1-11:4	Mark 14:12-25
Wed.	7 <sup>th</sup>	77	2 Chronicles 12	Mark 14:26-42
Thurs.	8 <sup>th</sup>	78:1-39	2 Chronicles 13:1-14:1	Mark 14:43-52
Fri.	9 <sup>th</sup>	55	2 Chronicles 14:2-end	Mark 14:53-65
Sat.	10 <sup>th</sup>	76	2 Chronicles 15:1-15	Mark 14:66-end

### Points for Praise and Prayer

- Praise the Lord that Premier Christian Radio is now able to broadcast to the whole nation on the DAB Digital network. Pray that many more Christians and those on the fringe of faith will begin to tune in and discover this source of inspiration and blessing. Pray that the extra cost of providing this service will be met by God's grace.
- Remember the Street Pastor scheme, which sends Christians onto the streets in over 100 towns in the UK to be salt, light and a listening ear among mainly young revellers. This scheme is having an amazing impact in helping to reduce crime statistics. Pray for all those who are doing this fantastic work of witness on a voluntary basis.
- Please pray for the people of Sri Lanka this week, as they struggle to rebuild their lives after the violence earlier this year. Remember those displaced during the fighting, who are seeking to return home to pick up the pieces of their lives. Pray also for a lasting peace that will bring dignity, justice and hope for all.
- Thank you for your prayers for Emma Bailey, Rose Clay, Des Dickinson and Kate & Paul Holden. Also the respective fathers of Pam Alexander and Bruce McCreedy. Please pray for fourteen month old Sean (the great nephew of Shiralee Haggart) who is being treated by a neurologist.
- Please remember the peoples of Samoa and Tonga in the aftermath of a recent tsunami. Pray also for the Philippines where many have suffered severe flooding and landslides after torrential rains. Also remember those affected by the earthquake in Indonesia.
- Pray for our Mission Partners Mike and Helen Tozer, who are working with Crossroads in Hong Kong. Please consult the Missions board for up-to-date information. Please also remember Chris and Mandy who are working there until December, helping with 'Crossroads Exports Refugee Simulation to the World' programme.

# MARKtime

4 October 2009

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

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you; pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

### Mission Partner focus for this Sunday

Mike and Helen Tozer

### Today's Services **Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity**

10.30am:	Harvest Service	6.30 pm:	Holy Communion
Led by:	Uganda Team	Reflection:	Glyn Allen
Readings:	Ecclesiastes 3 v. 1 - 8	Readings:	Hebrews 2
			Matthew 16:13-20
Theme:	TIME	Theme:	Life under pressure and the assurance of Christ

Other services today: 3:15pm Evensong at Rochester Cathedral—Kenward Trust

11am - Holy Communion - St Mary's Island

### 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 AT ST MARK'S THIS WEEK

Monday 5th	10.00 am -12.00pm 7.30 - 9.15pm	Coffee Shop in Church Landmark (14 - 15's)
Tuesday 6th	8.00pm	Pastoral Leadership Team Meeting—Old Vicarage
Wednesday 7th	9.00am  10.00am  1.15 - 2.45pm  7-9pm	Service of Holy Communion - Church  Ladies Group - Old Vicarage Coffee and Prayer walk  Parent and Toddler Group - Vicarage Hall  Faith and Light - Vicarage Hall
Thursday 8th	7.45 - 9.15pm	Narcotics Anonymous - Old Vicarage
Friday 9th	6.15 - 7.30pm	Kidz Klub (7-11's) - Old Vicarage

Next Sunday: 11th October

St Marks

10.30am Holy Communion

6.30pm Evening Worship - Celebration with Thai Singer MiMi

Other services

11am St Mary's Island - Morning Worship

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

Dates for your diary.....

Monday	12 October	8.00 pm	MTG meeting - Garden House
Tuesday	13 October	8.00 pm	Monthly Interactive Prayer Fair - Old Vicarage

**An evening of celebration**  
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An evening of celebration with Thai singer MiMi. Thousands of lives have been touched through her amazing music ministry.

Come and hear her live at St Mark's on Sunday 11th October at 6.30pm.

**If you would like a visit from one of the staff (see opposite page) please phone to make an appointment**

**Email: [admin@stmarkschurchgillingham.co.uk](mailto:admin@stmarkschurchgillingham.co.uk)**

**Website: [www.stmarkschurchgillingham.co.uk](http://www.stmarkschurchgillingham.co.uk)**

### Church Office

The office will be open on Tuesday and Wednesday until further notice. If you have any urgent needs when the office is closed, please contact Glenn McWatt, Glyn Allen or Terry Whittaker.

If you have anything for inclusion in Marktime, please send to Nikki Bailey at: [nbailey@fortpitt.medway.sch.uk](mailto:nbailey@fortpitt.medway.sch.uk). Please ensure items are emailed by Thursday of each week.

Dear all

Just a quick stop press to say thank you all so, so much for your prayers for accommodation - I've finally found somewhere and should be moving in on Friday - more details to follow shortly in a proper prayer letter, but my new address in Brussels (from Friday) is as follows:

Lucy Haslam  
Rue Elise, 9  
1050 Bruxelles  
BELGIUM

# SPLAT!

COMING SOON!

Many thanks for those who offered their help for our annual EVENT! However we do need a few more volunteers to help make this ANOTHER success. Please see Sarah Ryan or Jo Whittaker if you are interested in reaching children and parents in our community. It's during the week of October 27th (half term)

Also needed - small variety size cereal boxes (so you can EAT and donate!), again please see Sarah Ryan or Jo Whittaker.

### EQUIPPING FOR SPIRITUAL WARFARE

28th October to 1st November  
Wednesday evening meal to Sunday  
lunchtime

Oak Hall, Otford Manor, Kent

See leaflet on table

**Associate Vicar:**  
**Youth Worker/School Chaplain**  
**Children's Co-ordinator:**  
**Church Administrator:**  
**Playgroup Leader:**  
**Pastoral Assistant:**  
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