



St. Mark's Church, Gillingham with St. Mary's Island Church

Líving for Jesus; Loving Gillingham; Learning Together Mission Focus April: All Mission Partners

St. Mark's Event/group for April: Worship Groups

29th April 2018

Easter 5



We warmly welcome Robert James Robinson and David Wilson their parents, family and friends, as they are baptised this morning.

10.30am: All Age Friendly Baptism Service

<u>6.30pm:</u> **Taize Service** led by Rev Joel Love. Join us in this quiet, meditative, prayerful service.

Other Services:

<u>11.00am:</u> Morning Worship, St Mary's Island <u>7.30pm-9.15pm:</u> Landmark

Prayer Ministry: If you would like someone to pray with you or to share concerns with, then members of the prayer team are available in the small chapel at the front of church.

<u>New Church Office Hours are:</u> Mon & Thurs 10.00am-3.00pm Tues & Weds 10.00am-2.00pm Fri 10.00am-2.30pm

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

<u>Weds 2nd May:</u> 9.00am Holy Communion, in Church

9.45am Ladies Group, Old Vicarage

1.15pm Parent & Toddlers, Vicarage Hall

6.30pm-8.30pm Faith & Light, Vicarage Hall

Thurs 3rd May: 1.00pm-3.00pm Foodbank, Church

<u>Fri 4th May:</u> 7.30pm-2.00am JustOne half night of prayer at The Emmaus Centre, Clover Street, Chatham, ME4 4DT

6.15pm Kidz Klub, ages 7-11, Old Vicarage

<u>Sat 5th May</u>: <u>10.00am-12.00noon</u> Foodbank, Church



NEXT SUNDAY 6th May

Easter 6

<u>10.30am</u> **All Age Friendly Service** Theme: 'What is God doing in India? Feedback from India 2018 Team

<u>6.30pm</u>: Prayer: Thy Kingdom Come Prayer walk.

Other Services: <u>11.00am</u>: Holy Communion, St Mary's Island <u>7.30pm-9.15pm</u>: Landmark

Monday–Friday during term time <u>9.15am–</u> <u>12.15pm</u>, **St. Mark's Preschool**, Vicarage Hall – Children need to be registered first. **Small Groups/Home Groups** meet in various locations at different times throughout the week. Please contact Pauline at church or if you would like to know more about being in a mid-week group.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 8th May: Building work commences on the toilets for approx 9wks. Temporary toilets will be provided

<u>Sat 12th May: 9.00am</u> Homegroup Leaders' breakfast, Old Vicarage

<u>10.30am-12.00noon</u> Faith & Light Juniors, Vicarage Hall

`THY KINGDOM COME'



Join the global wave of prayer at these churches, from <u>7.30pm-8.30pm</u>.

Thurs 10th May: St. Augustine's Church, Rock Ave ME7 5PW

Fri 11th May: St. Barnabas' Church, ME7 4LT

Sat 12th May: TBC

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- **Sun 13th May:** All Saints Church, Hempstead ME7 3QG
- Mon 14th May: Gillingham URC, ME7 4PU
- Tues 15th May: Kings, Skinner Street, Gillingham
- Weds 16th May: Salem Church of the Nazarene, Nelson Road ME7 4LH
- *Thurs 17th May:* St. Luke's Church, Gillingham ME7 1PA
- **Fri 18th May:** Gillingham Salvation Army ME7 1XA
- Sat 19th May: Gillingham Methodist Church ME7
- Sun 20th May: St Mark's, Gillingham ME7 5TP United Pentecost Service, <u>6.30pm</u>
- Thy Kingdom Come 9-day or 11-day prayer
- booklets are available on the Welcome Desk.

<u>Sun 13th May:</u> <u>12.30pm</u> Farewell and Thank you to Pauline as she retires. If you can help in anyway please speak to Lynne Martin.

<u>8.00pm-10.00pm:</u> **'The Gathering'** for young adults. *Speak to Saju, Amanda, Lynne or Shane if interested.*

<u>Thurs 17th May:</u> 7.30pm Men's Curry Night, Bollywood Buffet, Canterbury Street. £11.95 per person. Please speak to Dammy. **Sat 19th May:** <u>1.30pm-3.30pm</u> **King's Banquet** at St. Mark's Church. A free event with food & children's activities. If you want to know more please speak to Katie Jenkins.

<u>Thurs 24th May:</u> <u>12.30pm-1.30pm</u> Just One Prayer Walk – meet outside the Gillingham Football Club Shop, MEMS Priestfield Stadium, Redfern Avenue, Gillingham

Sat 9th June: JustOne Gillingham Doors open <u>1.00pm</u>, Event starts <u>3.00pm</u> and concludes <u>5.00pm</u>. At Gillingham Football Club, MEMS Priestfield stadium, Redfern Avenue, Gillingham ME7 4DD

<u>Sat 30th June:</u> <u>12noon-2.00pm</u> St. Mark's Preschool lunch for their children and families, Old Vicarage site.

FAMILY NEWS

There are still envelopes available if you wish to contribute to Pauline's leaving present.

Gift aid certificates are now available, please see John Beck, thank you.

POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

"The LORD is like a strong tower, where the righteous can go and be safe." Proverbs 18:10 (Good News Translation)

LORD thank you that You are my 'strong tower' of safety whatever the situation. Please help me to remember this when times are hard or I feel worthless due to the fact that I am made righteous only through Your saving grace. Amen.

Pray for Robert James Robinson and David Wilson who are getting baptised during this morning's service.

Bring to the LORD any situation whether in our church family, locally, nationally or internationally that you care about.

Pray for the St Mark's India 2018 team – Mic Aldington, Natalie Bradford, Lesley Boast,

Chris & Shane Cordle, Trevor Dyer, Jon Friday, Wayne Hickmott, Ann Keane, Andrew & Sarah Mann, Amanda Maskell, Saju Muthalaly, Helen Standing, David Stanley, Ben Towers, Lucy Wheatley, Terry Whittaker and Lucy Williams... Praise that the Team had a great 2 days in Mysore, had fun and bonded ... Pray for the camp for 6-13 year-olds who are mostly Hindu and have heard Bible studies from some team members that they will be touched by the LORD's Spirit and words... Pray for the Manna Team who are making and painting tables for staff & autistic children who have limited resources, that all the materials will be available straight away giving the team more time to finish the project and be a blessing to this Jesus centred school... Pray for Lesley, Helen, Trevor, Ann and Mic who are going to Accept - a place that treats adults and children with HIV with some being in the last stages of this horrible disease... Ask the LORD for unity, safety, healing, and protection both physically and emotionally on what all the team members see, hear and do as they continue to serve Him... Praise that, "Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me." (Psalm 23:4)

Pray for a member/s of the **Worship Groups** this week and thank Him for their gifts... **Ask the LORD** to provide more worship group members at the time of His choosing... **Praise the LORD** that through the Worship Groups He helps us, "*Sing to God, sing in praise of His name,"* (*Psalm 68:4a*)

Pray for those known to us who need God's comfort and healing touch... for **Steve Burtrand** ... for **Paul Smith** currently confined to bedrest... for all others known to us.

Pray for: All Mission Partners and Music Worship Groups

Bible readings for April/May 2018			
Day	Psalm	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
Mon 30 th	145	Numbers 9.15-end; 10.33-end	Luke 4.38-end
Tues 1 st May	146	Proverbs 4.10-18	James 1.1-12
Weds 2 nd	30	Numbers 12	Luke 5.12-26
Thurs 3 rd	57	Numbers 13.1-3, 17-end	Luke 5.27-end
Fri 4 th	138	Numbers 14.1-25	Luke 6.1-11
Sat 5 th	76	Numbers 14.26-end	Luke 6.12-26

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. All our youth & children's workers are DBS checked for your child's protection and safety. **If you have young children** please feel free to take your children to the Creche area at the back of church, near the sound desk (ask if you can't see it). Children are important to us at St. Mark's and we want them to be happy. Please feel free to let them play quietly in the Creche; we just ask that you stay with them and leave the area tidy!