# **THIS SUNDAY – 25th September**

MORNING SERVICE, 10.30am  
[**In Church**](https://www.stmarksgillingham.org/Articles/607245/Church_Building_Open.aspx?redirected=1)**,** [**Facebook**](https://www.facebook.com/stmarksgillingham) **and** [**Youtube**](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1b5IAYzi3iBqXPBu0OnRrQ/videos?view=2&live_view=502)  
  
**Title:** Service of the word  
**Speaker**: Ernie Mann  
**Readings:** Luke 16, 19-31

CHILDREN & YOUTH GROUPS

**GEMS & PEBBLES**

Children’s groups will be starting back up this Sunday. Parents can drop their children off from 10.15am and pick them up at 12pm.   
  
**SUMMIT | 7pm | Old Vicarage**  
Summit will be running as usual.

Gospel Night

25th September, 6:30pm, St Marks Church

A night of unhindered praise and worship by a gospel team. Guest Pastor, Jide Oseni.

## This week

Home Groups  
Throughout the week

Joining a **home group** is a brilliant chance to meet and pray with others, build relationships, support one another, exchange views and explore God's word together. [Take a look at the groups and sign up here](https://www.stmarksgillingham.org/Groups/268148/Small_Groups.aspx) or contact the office.

Standing in the Gap (Prayer meeting)

**Saturdays | 7 - 8am | Online**

On Zoom, join us [online here](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2238511807?pwd=TU94WVN3cDlaSWxnejhHZTYxMTdvdz09).  
[Meeting ID: 223 851 1807 | Passcode: inthegap]

Open Church  
**Tuesday | 10am - 12pm | Church**

Come along for a chat, fellowship or private prayer. Refreshments will be served. Please be aware masks are advised.  
If you are interested in volunteering please contact Dammy via [admin@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:admin@stmarksgillingham.org).

Dementia Cafe

28th September |1pm to 3pm | Church

Parent & Toddlers

Wednesdays, 1.15-2.45pm, Vicarage Hall

Fun space for children to play and for parents/guardians to connect. No need to book, just drop up. Wednesdays in term time.

Bible study and Fellowship

Bible Study/ Fellowship in the church on Wednesday evenings at 7.30 pm,

on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in the month during August and September.

All welcome.

Peace and Hope

25th September, 10:30am, Vicarage Hall

### **NEWS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Victor Update

New Vicar for St Mark's Gillingham and St Mary's Island churches announced.

Click link for announcement details. [https://rb.gy/fn4xt5](https://rb.gy/fn4xt5?fbclid=IwAR1znTZZs1XkNe9IYS6vlxnuJtT_7yNPzBok8bFpP1kJpWCSjrY4U19T458)

#### PLEASE PRAY –

Worldwide –

* The countries that have ongoing problems with landmines, remembering Afghanistan, Angola and Ukraine – may there be effective removal programmes to save lives and injury.
* The will to stand against oppression and invasion and for those who endure conflict, violence and displacement.
* Relief & aid for those in the catastrophe and tragedy of severe weather events and changing climates. For the places on our hearts where there is great lack and deprivation,
* may the Lord touch the hearts of those who can make a difference - whether leaders, decision-makers, or a world of people who care.

The **UK** –

* The King and royal family in their personal grief.  The King, Government and all those in leadership across the UK, for wise counsel, effective listening and considered decisions.

God’s Church –

* That the church upholds God’s Holy Word; and seek to do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with our God.
* Pray for Bishop Jonathan’s Installation
* For The Revd Catharina Olsson Gisleskog as we welcome her as Vicar, and for husband Per and family.

If you would like to be added to the ***Prayer & Praise*** email list to receive weekly praise reports and prayer requests from our church family please contact Kath Burtrand: [*kathyb.nana@yahoo.co.uk*](mailto:kathyb.nana@yahoo.co.uk)

St Marks Church Gillingham, Vicarage Hall Cleaner

We are seeking a responsible, trustworthy person to clean the Vicarage Hall. This is a part-time job (average 5 hours per week) to be carried out at the weekends either on Saturday or Sunday to fit in with Hall usage.

**Job responsibilities include** (but are not limited to):

* weekly vacuuming, mopping, cleaning of toilets, potties, changing mats, cleaning the kitchen, emptying bins and general cleaning duties.
* You will also be required to do monthly cleaning, including damp dusting and carpet stain removal.
* During holiday breaks you will be required to clean the fridge, cooker, microwave and the inside of windows.
* You will also be required to put in orders for cleaning materials for your line manager to purchase.

If you are interested in applying for this role or require further information, please contact Vicky Allen HR Lead for St Mark’s Church on [Vickyalle@gmail.com](mailto:Vickyalle@gmail.com) or telephone on 01634 855792. Closing date for applications **Friday 30th September 2022**.

Foodbank

If you would like to donate to foodbank here is the link to the summer shopping list of things that are needed for those who are in need.

[file:///C:/Users/Student.26327/AppData/Local/Packages/microsoft.windowscommunicationsapps\_8wekyb3d8bbwe/LocalState/Files/S0/5/Attachments/Shopping%20List%20July-August%2022\_large[1640].pdf](file:///C:/Users/Student.26327/AppData/Local/Packages/microsoft.windowscommunicationsapps_8wekyb3d8bbwe/LocalState/Files/S0/5/Attachments/Shopping%20List%20July-August%2022_large%5b1640%5d.pdf)

Harvest Festival  
Sunday 2 October we will celebrate Harvest Festival at our All Age Service.  
If you are able please can you bring non-perishable items that can be  
donated to Food Bank.  If you are looking for ideas please see the Food Bank  
July Shopping list -  
<http://medway.foodbank.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/102/2022/07/Shopping->  
List-Sept-Oct-22.pdf hard copies are available at the back of Church.  
We look forward to welcoming you to our service.

The Music Man Project UK Kent/Medway

PLEASE VOTE FOR US TODAY... and EVERY WEEK for the next 3 months!! We've been nominated to be part of the Asda Foundation Green Token Giving online vote through our local Asda Chatham (https://www.facebook.com/pages/Asda%20Chatham/106834902722248/) . The vote is now live! The cause with the most online votes will receive a £500 donation with second place receiving £400 and third place £300. Vote for us by visiting Vote (https://www.asda.com/green-tokens/store?store=4693) and selecting \*Chatham\* from the drop-down box. You can vote once every seven days (until the end of September) so please vote and then re-vote in the following weeks. Set a reminder on your phone/calendar. Please share far and wide! Thanks for being part of this exciting activity - Let the voting begin! Sarah Mann Director, The Music Man Project UK Regional Director, The Music Man Project (Kent/Medway) www.themusicmanproject.com The Music Man Project UK - Registered Charity Number 1188041 The Music Man Project (Kent/Medway) - Registered CIC Number 12574625

Tearfund and Ride and Stride

Thank you to those who took part in the Tearfund and Ride and Stride Events.

**Tearfund Ambassador announcement**

Thank you to the volunteers and the brave individuals who took part in the walk as well as all those sponsors who gave so generously towards the Creation Concern Project.

[Click here for message and pictures.](https://gillingham.churchinsight.com/Articles/643217/Sponsored_Walk_for.aspx)

##### Upcoming Events

NEXT SUNDAY  
**2nd  October, 10.30am, Church**  
  
**Title:** All Age  
**Speaker**:   
**Readings:**

Women’s Breakfast

Saturday 15th October, Vicarage Hall, 9:00am to 11:30

Thank you for the week

Thank you to the two Church Wardens who have been filling in as well as doing their normal duties.

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appointment & do not drop by without prior arrangement.***