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# MARKtime

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

Living for Jesus; Loving Gillingham;  
Learning Together

**Mission Focus:** Francis & Diane  
Dognon; The Fisherman Trust

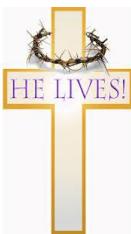
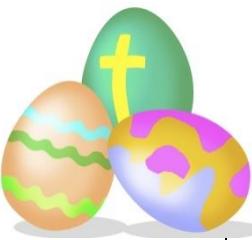
**St. Mark's Event:**  
Easter Services

**12<sup>th</sup> April 2020**

## SUNDAY 12<sup>th</sup> April:

**Happy Easter**

**Please note that all Sunday morning services will be livestreamed on Facebook for the foreseeable future - thank you.**



**10.30am: Easter Sunday**

**Theme:** Created and called to be Easter people

**6.30pm: No Evening Service**

**No St Mary's Island services until further notice**

**No Rock Ministry or Summit this week**

**Please be aware that St Mark's Pre-school is closed due to the coronavirus.**

## WHAT'S ON DURING THIS WEEK:

**Please note that due to the Coronavirus no groups or meetings other than Foodbank will be taking place until further notice.**

**Mon-Sat: 9am Reflection** with Amanda Maskell and compline at 8pm, both online

**Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> April:** 1.00pm-3.00pm: **Foodbank** in Church

**Sat 18<sup>th</sup> April:** 10.00am-noon: **Foodbank**, in church

## SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup> April:

**Easter Week**



**Love. Grow. Serve.**

**10.30am: Service of the Word**

**Theme:** *Created with Jesus' DNA*

**Reading:** Ephesians 4:11-16

**6.30pm: No Evening Service**

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## FAMILY NEWS

Denise Young would like to make a list of people she can call on if someone walks into church and does not speak English. Please let her know if you are happy to be on the list and what language/s you speak. Many thanks.

**Karen Turnbull, Community Pastor writes,** "Dear everyone, I have now set up a space on Trello for our virtual prayer room, and registered it with 24?? as a virtual prayer room. Trello allows you to post messages on boards. So far I have created:

"praise and thanksgiving"  
"prayers for healing"  
"organisations in Gillingham"

*There is also a link to the google doc for those who wish to pray at the same time every week.*

*This is the link for you (or any other Christian in gillingham) to sign up.*

[https://trello.com/invite/virtualprayerroom\\_gillinghamkent/c20516eb1f562b857add6f687ff2f996](https://trello.com/invite/virtualprayerroom_gillinghamkent/c20516eb1f562b857add6f687ff2f996)

**Thank you for your time**

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## Gillingham – The Good Neighbour Scheme

from the Salvation Army. If you can help or more information please see the link below:

<https://gillinghamcorps.info/GoodNeighbour/>

Harris writes, "I would like to make you aware of the Good Neighbour scheme which we've just launched as a response to this crisis. It is a scheme by which we aim to recruit volunteers and then match them with homes in isolation in order to help them with shopping and things like this."

**Paul Smith asks, "Please can you help Foodbank by providing more carrier bags as well as your donated items? Thank you again everyone for your help."**

## St Mark's Website Message Board

Please send any messages, pictures, stories,

links, requests, news etc, to:

[message@stmarks.gillingham.org](mailto:message@stmarks.gillingham.org)

These will be posted on our website for encouragement, information and advice.

**Bibles over breakfast** re-starts on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April 11am** via Zoom. This is aimed at 14-18yr olds. Please contact [simonmorbey@stmarks.gillingham.org](mailto:simonmorbey@stmarks.gillingham.org)



Wash Bag Appeal for NHS workers. Can you help? For full details please go to our website [www.stmarksgillingham.org](http://www.stmarksgillingham.org) under Latest News. Thank you.

### POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

**"Many, LORD my God are the wonders You have done, the things You planned for us. None can compare with You; were I to speak and tell of Your deeds, they would be too many to declare." Psalm 40:5 (NIV UK)**

Oh LORD God how can I ever thank you enough for dying for my sins and rising again to be my advocate in heaven, so that I can come into Your very presence through Jesus Christ Your Son and leaving the precious gift of Your Holy Spirit in me. One God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit – 3 persons divine. Such glorious wonders to declare! Amen

Praise the LORD for His many blessings and for the wonderful being He truly is – yesterday, today and forever.

**Praise the LORD for His 'many wonders'** – for coronavirus has inspired a gangland truce in the notorious, gang – infected townships around Cape Town, South Africa. These gang members are delivering food to struggling households instead of drugs!

**Pray** for our Mission Partners **Francis & Diane Dognon** in France and the **Fisherman Trust** in India as coronavirus continues to spread fear, pain and hardship in these countries... **Ask the LORD** to bless everyone involved and give all the necessary resources to do His will.

**Pray** for those who are struggling to 'stay home' whether from mental illness, special needs or domestic abuse... **Ask the LORD** to help them find the correct help for each situation... **Praise the LORD God who cares**, "For you, LORD have delivered me from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling, that I may walk before the LORD in the land of the living." (Psalm 116:8-9)

**Pray** for all those affected by Covid 19... **Lisa Higham's** friend **Charlie** on a ventilator in Medway Hospital and his wife & young daughter... for **Karen Turnbull & Husband** who have both had Covid 19, but need to return to full health...

**Amanda's** sister who is picking up extra work from her boss who has just lost her husband & sister-in-law to Covid 19... **Amanda's** cousin **Sandra** who is unable to receive treatment for breast cancer due to the virus... **Amanda's** friends **Jill, Charlie & her husband...**

**Continue to pray** for **Saju** who is in India with his parents with the country due to lock-down ... for his wife **Katy** and the children here in Gillingham... **Ask the LORD** to bless the whole family at this challenging time.

**Praise** that **Jane Bannar-Martin's** son **Tim** has recovered and is due to return to work and her daughter-in-law **Jenny** whose health condition has improved, but still waiting for a MRI Scan.

**Praise** that **Pauline Jackson's** son-in-law **Peter** and daughter **Laura** have recovered from Covid 19 and are returning to work... **Pray** for Pauline's other daughter **Cathy** who is unwell and awaiting C-19 test results.

**Pray** for **Rod & Jenny White and their son Stuart** after Stuart's wife **Beverley** sadly passed away recently... **Ask the LORD** to be with the whole White family at this very sad time.

**Pray** for wisdom in making difficult decisions re treatment for **Katie Jenkins' Step-Mum Clare...** for **Katie's Dad** who wasn't allowed to go to the consultant with his wife... for the whole family who can't be physically together for hugs and support at this very hard and painful time.

**Pray** for **Richard & Jane Tolhurst** and their family, as Richard's mum passed away recently... for **Tricia Martin's family & friends...** for **Gay Gower...** for **Sathish at SMIC...** for **Michael Stacey...** for **Paul Smith...** and **Keith Sheepwash...** for **Stan & Linda Brown ...** and for anyone you know who needs the LORD at this time for whatever reason.

**Bring to the LORD** any situation whether in our church family, locally, nationally or internationally that you care about... **Praise** "You LORD, hear the desire of the afflicted; You encourage them, and You listen to their cry." (Psalm 10:17) **Our God cares alleluia praise the LORD.**

  
**Please pray for:** Francis & Diane Dognon; The Fisherman Trust; Easter Services

#### Bible readings for April 2020

Day	Psalm	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup>	111	Exodus 12.1-14	1 Corinthians 15.1-11
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup>	112	Exodus 12.14-36	1 Corinthians 15.12-19
Weds 15 <sup>th</sup>	113	Exodus 12.37-end	1 Corinthians 15.20-28
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	114	Exodus 13.1-16	1 Corinthians 15.29-34
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>	115	Exodus 13.17-14.14	1 Corinthians 15.15.35-50
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup>	116	Exodus 14.15-end	1 Corinthians 15.15.51-end

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 through the second door on the left, at the front of church (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!**

**The Church Office is closed to visitors until further notice, but staff working hours are:**  
**Mon 11.00am-3.00pm (staff team meeting takes place from 9.30am-11.00am), Tues & Weds 10.00am-2.00pm,**  
**Thurs 10.00am-3.00pm, Fri 9.15am-1.15pm**