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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

3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020

## SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> May online service:

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

10.30am: All Age Service

Theme: **Frontlines**

1.00pm: Rock Ministry on Zoom.

7.00pm: Summit on Zoom

For Rock Ministry & Summit please  
contact

[simonmorbey@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:simonmorbey@stmarksgillingham.org)

**No evening services or St Mary's**

**Island services until further notice**

**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  
groups or meetings will be taking place  
online only until further notice.**

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

**Find Karen Turnbull, our community pastor's  
public Facebook page**

[www.facebook.com/communitypastorgillingham](https://www.facebook.com/communitypastorgillingham)

for the following during the week:

Mon – Yarn Club

Tues – Finding Faith

Weds – Self care Wednesday

Thurs – Things to do Thursday

Fri – Bullet journalling

Sun – Forest church

**Sat 9th May:** 11am: Bibles over breakfast via  
Zoom. This is aimed at 14-18yr old and runs  
fortnightly. Please contact

[simonmorbey@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:simonmorbey@stmarksgillingham.org)

## SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> May online service:

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

10.30am: Sharing Sabbatical  
inSights

1.00pm: Rock Ministry on Zoom.

7.00pm: Summit on Zoom

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## FAMILY NEWS



**Online Sunday School lessons  
now on Facebook. Simon &  
Katie have been recording short  
lessons so our children don't  
miss out. Check them out!**



A free phone line of hymns,  
reflections and prayers

**Launched by the Church of England. 24hrs a  
day.**

## Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2020

Kindly note, as we are unable to meet in the  
church building, we have to postpone our annual  
parochial church meeting that was due to be held  
on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May.

When we are able to meet together in church we  
will announce a new date.

**Gentle reminder** to leaders of church  
groups, kindly send me your written reports for  
the APCM by **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2020.**

Thankyou.

Vivky Allen

St Mark's PCC Secretary

## 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."

**Medway Foodbank are changing  
the way they operate due to  
coronavirus. They are closing  
all the Foodbank Centres on  
Monday  
27<sup>th</sup> April 2020 and moving to a  
'delivery only' system.**



**Lorraine their Project Manager would like to  
express a huge gratitude to all the wonderful  
folk and the amazing teams that have  
(including those who have recently stepped  
in to support them) all got on with helping in  
such an efficient way and all those staying at  
home praying for the rest of us.**



JOIN IN @SINGGILLINGHAMSGING ON THE VARIOUS SOCIAL MEDIA FOR UPDATES ON THE COMMUNITY BIG SING WHICH WILL BE STREAMED LIVE ON THE DAY. CONTACT MAYOWA FOR MORE INFORMATION AT [mayowa@stmarksgillingham.org](mailto:mayowa@stmarksgillingham.org)

**Gillingham Time Capsule project:** Make your very own time capsule during this unusual time we are in. Contact Karen Turnbull for more info.



A Special and appreciation to Lynn Trebil who has for many years put the Marktime together. Thank you for the hard work and time you have dedicated to the church to make sure we are up to date with the life of our church.

**POINTS FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER**



***"Don't be afraid, for I am with you.  
Don't be discouraged, for I am your God.***

***I will strengthen you and help you.***

***I will hold you up with my victorious right hand". (Isaiah 40:10 NLT Version)***

**Father, though times are uncertain and unsettled we know that you are with us, holding us, supporting us & loving us, this we know is for certain.**

**Continue to pray** for our Mission Partners **Francis & Diane Dognon** in France and the **Fisherman Trust** in India as the lock-downs due to coronavirus continues cause hardship, pain and loneliness... **Ask the LORD** to help each person feel His presence, love & blessing.

**Pray** for the medical staff across the world and our very own NHS...for safety & hope that pressure on them will ease...**Pray** with great thanks.

**Continue to pray** for all those affected by Covid 19... **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...**

**Pray** for **Angela & Malc Marlow's family** who are working for the NHS & have had to make difficult decisions like sending their 2yr old granddaughter to live with the other set of grandparents for safety reasons,

**Pray** for long standing members of St. Mark's **Brenda Allen** who is in hospital with serve pain, **her husband Alan and family** who are concerned that Brenda might catch Covid 19.

**Continue to pray** for healing and the treatment for **Katie Jenkins' Step-Mum, Clare**, that started this week... for **Katie's Dad** & for the whole family who can't be physically together for hugs and support at this very hard and painful time.

**Pray** for the new changes happening to **Foodbank** moving from centres to home delivery service... **Ask the LORD** to help everyone to access this service that needs it and to provide the funds etc. to meet their needs.

**Praise** that Keith Sheepwash right eye, where there was thought to be a hole, is ok and no treatment is needed.

**Pray** for the people living in Africa, Latin America, Caribbean, Middle East, Asia and Europe who the **World Food Programme (WFP)** are warning of a hunger pandemic due to the number of people affected almost doubles this year... **Ask the LORD** to provide the finances, food & resources needed... to be with the staff, volunteers and everyone involved who will be witnessing harrowing scenes of despair.

**Pray** for **Nev & Tina Piper** and family especially **Tina's Mum** who recently died of cancer while she is arranging her uncle **Raymond Riddle** Funeral... for **Nev's** cancelled knee replacement op, which leaves him in a great deal of pain and the loss of his replacement CPAP machine now being redeployed as a ventilator for hospital use.

**Pray** for **Lisa Higham's friends** as sadly **Charlie** lost his life to Covid 19, please remember his wife and young daughter... for **Rod & Jenny White and their son Stuart...** for **Gay Gower...** for **Sathish at SMIC...** for **Michael Stacey...** for **Paul Smith...** for **Keith Sheepwash...**and for **Deano & Helen Standing, their family, for the loss of Deano's dad this week** 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 May 2020**

Day	Psalm	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
Mon 4th	103	Exodus 32:1-14	Luke 2:41-end
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup>	139	Exodus 32:15-34	Luke 3:1-14
Weds 6 <sup>th</sup>	135	Exodus 33	Luke 3:15-22
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>	118	Exodus 34:1-10 & 27-end	Luke 4:1-13
Fri 8th	33	Exodus 35:20-36.7	Luke 4:14-30
Sat 9th	34	Exodus 40:17-end	Luke 4:31-37

**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**