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## THIS SUNDAY | 27th JUNE



MORNING SERVICE | 10.30am In Church & Online

# GENEROSITY SERIES | TREASURE GIFT DAY

Speaker: Saju

Bible Reading: Luke 12:22-34 Park Bench: Luke Prankard

The church building is now open for services. You will need to book if you wish to attend in person.

To book see the website or call the office 01634 570489,

The church car park will not be open on Sunday mornings as this area is used as a main exit and safely set up for after church fellowship.

All services will also be live streamed on our Facebook Page.



#### **CHILDREN & YOUTH GROUPS**

GEMS & PEBBLES | 9am | Facebook

Join for another fun filled video from the
team. Watch on facebook

ROCK MINISTRY | 10.30am | In Person SUMMIT | 6pm | In Person





# SUMMER GARDEN PARTIES 27th Jun

4 - 6pm Old Vicarage Garden

We are hosting a number of Summer Garden Parties to give us all a chance to socialise & reconnect over tea & cake. Please sign up to attend one of these dates.

For more info & to RSVP go to: www.stmarksgillingham.org/party
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## **COMING WEEK**



#### AFRICAN HIGH PRAISE Saturday | 5pm Live in Church & Online

A night of intense energetic and traditional African praise and worship. All are welcome.

Booking is required - <a href="https://africanhighpraise.">https://africanhighpraise.</a> eventbrite.co.uk/



# Standing in the Gap (Prayer meeting) Saturdays | 7-8am | Online

On Zoom, join us:

[Meeting ID: 223 851 1807 | Passcode: inthegap]



## Little Eden Project Sundays | 2pm | St Augustine's Wednesdays | 11am | St Mark's

Come and get stuck in with the garden project that gives. Run by Karen Turnbull.



## Open for Private Prayer Tuesdays | 10am-12pm | Church

The church will be open for private prayer.



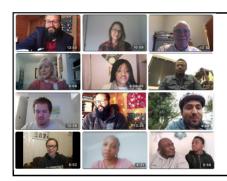
# Craft Club Tuesdays | 10am-12pm | The Vineries

Craft club is back! It will be at a new venue - 11 The Vineries (community hub) Gillingham ME7 2AD. Bring your own craft or join in with craft of the week. For more information email <a href="karenturnbul">karenturnbul</a> <a href="karenturnbul">k@stmarksgillingham.org</a>.



#### Parent & Toddlers Wednesdays | 1.15-2.45pm | Old Vicarage

Wednesdays in term time Currently meeting outside in the Old Vicarage Garden – following Covid regulations



### Daily Reflections & Prayers Mondays - Saturdays | 9am & 8pm | Online

As of May the new schedule will be:

Morning Reflections | 9am | Mon, Wed, Fri
Evening Prayers | 8pm | Tues, Thurs, Sat
Watch on our Facebook Page

## **NEWS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

 Gift Day is an opportunity for you to respond and give specifically for those needs - the new kitchen project and our general running costs. Please prayerfully consider these two needs and you may respond with your donation in a number of ways.



• The Pastoral Team invite you to get connected by filling out their form and providing your details so that they can contact you. Paper form are available in church or on the website.



 Dementia Cafe is launching on 14th July and are looking for donations of cups, saucers and side plates.
 If you're able to help please contact Pauline Jackson: 01634 232433 | pj.j@blueyonder.co.uk



 Vicki Watson, our ops manager and office administrator, will be on leave 1st -12th July. The Old Vicarage will be closed. Emails and phone will be checked, for emergencies only, on Monday 5 July, Wednesday 7 July and Friday 9 July. Please email Saju if there is an emergency: vicar@stmarksgillingham.org\_

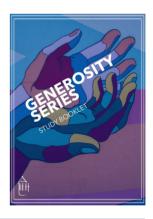


• On Sun 19th Sept at 6.30pm there is going to be a Baptism Service, conducted in a covid-safe way. Baptism marks the beginning of a journey with God which continues for the rest of our lives, the first step in response to God's love. For all involved it is a joyful moment when we rejoice in what God has done for us in Christ, making serious promises and declaring the faith.



There will be a baptism preparation session on Sun 12th Sept 4 - 6pm. If you are interested in being baptised or in the renewal of baptism please **contact Vicki**, <u>vicarspa@stmarksgillingham.org</u>.

 We have produced a booklet to accompany the new Generosity sermon series, which contains bible readings and questions. You can use the material in your small groups, trios or on your own.
 You can request printed copies from the office - 01634 570489.



#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Ethiopia, suffering famine (in all but name) ... for Madagascar, Uganda & E. Africa, badly hit by corona virus ... for Nigeria's people where President Buhari has said he's failed to end insecurity in the country and where Boko Haram has stepped up attacks ... for Nicaragua where police have detained 5 more prominent opposition figures ... and for the G7 pledges and commitments to be followed through for the benefit of the poorest, most vulnerable and endangered ... in Jesus' name.
- Our **friends and family at St Mary's Island Church**, praying they will be able to return to physically worshipping together very soon; and the Lord bless their

worship and fellowship.

• Gillingham & Medway - For our armed forces, those in training, those on active service, those home from tours of duty and those who now left the forces ... may Lord God sustain them and grant His Peace; for businesses to recover and prosper, offering opportunities for employment; for young families in our neighbourhoods, especially those new to the area, that they are made welcome; and for our teenagers and young people - with so many pressures and challenges - the Lord be with them. And may the King of Glory, strong and mighty, come into and onto our streets, enabling faith for the Glory of His Name.

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: <u>kathyb.nana@yahoo.co.uk</u>



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

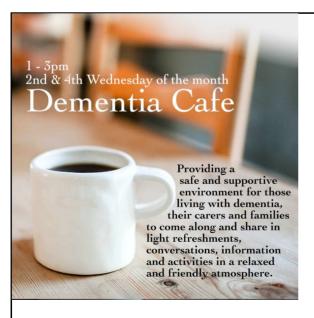


#### NEXT SUNDAY 4th July | 10.30am In Church & Online

#### FRIENDSHIP | Series Intro All Age Service Speaker: Chris Cordle

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Bible Reading: 2 Sam 15: 32-37



#### **DEMENTIA CAFE**

Launching 14th July 2nd & 4th Wednesdays | 1 - 3pm | Church

A chance for those living with dementia, their carers and families to come and sharing in light refreshments, conversations, information and activities in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

Drop-in, no booking required. For more information call Paul Harris 07486 050163 or Pauline Jackson 07950 191912.



Save the date for the upcoming Let Loose event taking place in Gillingham High St outside WHSmiths. This annual community outdoor concert will feature gospel bands, community choir, solo artistes, choreography and more! The event is aimed at giving hope to victims of abuse.



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