# **THIS SUNDAY – 3rd July**

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** Communion   
**Speaker**: Michael McLaughin  
**Readings:** Luke 10:38-42

CHILDREN & YOUTH GROUPS

**GEMS & PEBBLES**

Parents can drop their children off from 10:15am and pick them up at 12pm.  
  
**SUMMIT | 7pm | Old Vicarage**  
This will be running as normal.

Messy church

Sunday 17th July

2:30pm - 4pm

## 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.

Peace and hope

Saturday 16th July at 10:30

Come and hear Luke Bacon talk about his life of faith

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

13 July, 27 July |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.

### **NEWS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Choir

Interested in singing in the **community choir** for Carnival and other summer events?  
All ages welcome. Performance Dates: Sat 9th July, Thurs 14th July, Fri 29th July with more TBC...  
Get in touch with Mayowa at singgillinghamsing@gmail.com or on 07951147352

If you have registered your interest with the government to host a Ukrainian family (<https://rb.gy/zy5jfe>) but do not have links with anyone, then **Medway Help for Ukrainians** can help connect you with someone to host. They also offer advice, guidance and support once you begin hosting.   
**Facebook Group**: <https://rb.gy/0efeth>  
**Email:**info@medwayhelpforukranians.org.uk,    
**Phone**: 01634 912 419

#### PLEASE PRAY –

Worldwide –

* **Sri Lanka** that the country is enabled to recover and for peace to reign in times of leadership change.
* For **Ukraine** as we continue to hold their peoples in our hearts.
* The people of **Japan,** in mourning for ex-PM Shinzo Abe.
* Fairness and justice in **Africa’**s political systems and in elections.

The **UK** –

* for our Government, MP’s and those in devolved Administrations, in the governance of the nations of the UK and changes to come;
* for the country in all its diversity and different challenges

Church –

* Christian Solidarity Worldwide welcomes the United Nations (UN) Human Rights Council (HRC)’s appointment of **Dr Nazila Ghanea as the new Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief (**FoRB), which was confirmed by the Council on 8 July.  Dr Ghanea is a professor of international human rights law and director of international human rights programmes at the University of Oxford. She will take over the mandate from Dr Ahmed Shaheed.

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)

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

##### Upcoming Events

NEXT SUNDAY  
**24th July, 10.30am, Church**  
  
**Title** Service of the word and baptisms  
**Speaker**: Joel Love  
**Readings:** Luke 11:1-13

Let Loose  
**Fri 29th July | 1-4pm | Gillingham High St**  
  
A free outdoor community outdoor music concert put together to give hope to victims and survivors of abuse. Free refreshments will be served.

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**Office hours:**  
Monday, Wednesday & Fridays | 9.30am - 2.30pm  
Tuesday & Thursdays | Answerphone & email checked for emergencies.   
***Please contact the office if you need to make an  
appointment & do not drop by without prior arrangement.***