



Gillingham Community Church

Phil Cana

Phil Cana will be speaking at 7.30pm on Thursday 9th February at the Old Library.

Gillingham Foodbank

There is a Community Concert in aid of Gillingham Foodbank at 7.30pm on 17th February at St Mary's, featuring Miles Away Jazz Group, Shaftesbury Community Choir, Gillingham Arts Workshop and Gillingham School. Admission is free and refreshments are available. See the poster on the welcome desk for more details.



The Foodbank is open at the Old Library from If you want to volunteer to help with the Gillingham Foodbank in any way please contact Julie Mercer or Sam Stone.

Family Forum

Our next Family Forum, for GCC Partners only, will be at 7.30 on Thursday 23rd February at the Old Library. Please make this a priority.

Lent study groups

There is a series of five Lent study groups being held at various locations around Gillingham, starting on Wednesday 22nd February. Please contact Nicholas Mercer on 824277 for more details. The film *Creation* is being shown at 7.00pm on Friday 24th February at the Vicarage Schoolrooms to launch these groups.

Christianity Explored



We are holding another Christianity Explored course at the Old Library, run by Han and Katrina's group, which is specifically concerned with outreach.

The first session will start in The Old Library at 7.00pm on Tuesday 21st February. Anyone seeking to know more about what it means to become a Christian or new Christians are welcome. If you or someone you know wants to know more about Christianity Explored follow this link: <http://www.christianityexplored.org>.

Make/mend/draw/chat evening

7.30pm until 9.00pm on Friday 3rd February in the Old Library. A chance to get together along with any portable craft (sewing, knitting, mending drawing etc) whatever you'd like to work on - bring your own materials - or just bring yourselves. Friends welcome. Refreshments available. See Ann Branson for more details.

CAP Money



CAP's short course to help people to plan their budgeting will be running at 7.30pm on three consecutive Monday nights, 6th, 13th and 20th February, in the Old Library. Please see Han if you want to go along.

The CAP prayer and support workers meetings take place every second Tuesday of the month starting at 9.30am and 10.30am respectively. This month it's on 14th.

Coffee mornings

Coffee mornings are held at the Old Library on the first and third Tuesdays of each month (7th And 21st in February). If you are in Gillingham between 10.30pm and noon, why not pop in and have a cuppa with those who are there. Everyone is welcome.

Welcome

If you are with us for the first time or if you are an occasional visitor you are very welcome. We hope that you feel comfortable with the relaxed style of our meeting.

If you require some information or if you are unsure about anything, please feel free to ask any one of us.

Bubbles is the group for babies to reception class age and *Explorers*, meeting in the Old Library, is for children in school years 1 to 6.

During the meeting a notice on the screen will announce when it is time for the children to leave for their own activities. Parents are welcome to observe the children's activities and to use the *Bubbles* crèche at any time.

Please join us for refreshments at the end of the meeting.

Romania

There will be a bring-and-buy sale in aid of Romania from 10.00am to noon on Saturday 24th March at the Old Library. See Toni for details.

Steve Cooper from Cry in the Dark will be speaking at our Sunday morning meeting on 29th April.

Barnabus Fund

Thanks to those who signed the giant Christmas card which raised £132.01 to the work of the Barnabus Fund, which supports Christians persecuted for their faith.

Church weekend away

This year's church weekend away is at Watermouth Lodges near Ifracombe again from Friday 4th to bank holiday Monday 7th May 2012. We are looking forward to having a great time together.

There have been a number of people who have booked just recently and some others who have said that they are going but have not yet booked. If you are going, please book as soon as possible as chalets are becoming limited in choice the nearer we get to the dates. Please speak to Katrina Palmer for more information.

Contact us

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Housegroups

Meet most weeks in different homes around Gillingham. If you would like to join one, please contact one of the church leaders.

Tuesday

Han & Katrina: 7.45pm at Steve & Han's

Martin & Jenny: 8.00pm at Phil & Clare's

Wednesday

Jules: 10.00am at Jules' or Sam's

Nick & Hannah: 8.00pm location TBA

Thursday

Annie & Julie: 11.00am at Dylan & Merial's

Refreshments rota

This month Jules' Group

Next month Nick & Hannah's Group



FAIRTRADE
CHURCH

Diary

February 2012

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30 8.00pm Leaders	31 7.45pm & 8.00pm Housegroups	1 February 10.00am & 8.00pm Housegroups	2 11.00am Housegroup 8.00pm Housegroup leaders	3 10.00am & 1.00pm Bubbles Extra	4	5 10.00am Prayer 10.30am All age meeting
6 7.30pm CAP Money 8.00pm Leaders	7 10.30am Coffee morning	8	9 7.30pm Phil Cana speaking	10 10.00am & 1.00pm Bubbles Extra	11	12 10.00am Prayer 10.30am Worship including communion
13 7.30pm CAP Money 8.00pm Leaders	14 9.30am & 10.30am CAP prayer & support	15 10.00am & 8.00pm Housegroups	16 11.00am Housegroup	17 10.00am & 1.00pm Bubbles Extra	18	19 10.00am Prayer 10.30am Worship
20 7.30pm CAP Money 8.00pm Leaders	21 10.30am Coffee morning 7.00pm Christianity Explored	22 Lent study groups start	23 7.30pm Family forum	24 10.00am & 1.00pm Bubbles Extra 7.00pm "Creation" film at the Vicarage Schoolrooms	25	26 10.00am Prayer 10.30am Worship 6.30pm Prayer at Dot's
27 8.00pm Leaders	28 7.00pm Christianity Explored 8.00pm Housegroup	29 10.00am & 8.00pm Housegroups	1 March 11.00am Housegroup	2 10.00am & 1.00pm Bubbles Extra 2.30pm WWDP at St Benedicts	3	4 10.00am Prayer 10.30am All age meeting

Sunday morning meetings are held at Gillingham Primary School in School Lane, Gillingham.

All other meetings are at The Old Library on the corner of the High Street and Station Road, unless otherwise stated.