

HERNE BAY TOWN & VILLAGES PRAYER GUIDE

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Monday 1 July	Remembering the wonderful 'Thy Kingdom Come' prayer week last month, we ask God to fill us with that same enthusiasm and hunger for prayer. May our churches come alive with prayer and praise and may our own prayer lives grow each day.
Tuesday 2 July	We pray today for all those who volunteer in charity shops in our area. As these people help to support good causes, offer sensible recycling and provide affordable clothes and household goods, we thank God that they so generously give their time.
Wednesday 3 July	Pray for the Anglican clergy in Kent who were ordained on June 29 th at Canterbury Cathedral. May they be blessed in their ministry and made strong in faith as they continue to lead and teach in our churches.
Thursday 4 July	As year 6 children visit their new secondary schools, pray that children will not be anxious and will enjoy making new friends and meeting new teachers. Remember in our prayers our American friends as they celebrate Independence Day today.
Friday 5 July	Prayers today are for our Street Pastors as they patrol the streets of Herne Bay and Canterbury. We thank them for their steadfast commitment and pray for safety as they walk around our towns showing Christian love and practical help.
Saturday 6 July	Pray for everyone at Christ Church and St Andrews on the Church Weekend as they explore the theme 'Engaging with God in Prayer' May the people be blessed and the leaders feel the Spirit working through their teaching.
Sunday 7 July	Today is Parade Sunday at Broomfield URC Church and we pray for Janet Monkhouse as she leads the service for young people, parents and group leaders. May it be an uplifting experience for everyone there.
Monday 8 July	For the newly established groups meeting in the URC Church at Broomfield. As they gather at 'Knit and Natter' Mondays, Bible Study Wednesday lunchtimes and 'Art on Thursdays' we pray that they will come to feel the presence of Jesus in that place.
Tuesday 9 July	Today and every Tuesday is Family Bay Ignite at St Andrews, Hampton. Pray that good meaningful relationships will be made with families in the Hampton area. Pray for Paula and Dan as they lead this area of ministry.
Wednesday 10 July	Pray for those in our churches who have the gift of evangelism. In this largely secular World we pray for those people who seek to reach out to those who do not know Jesus and have absolutely no knowledge of the Bible.
Thursday 11 July	Our prayers today are for our police officers and community wardens. Pray too for the Kent Male Police Choir as they perform tonight at 7.30pm at St Bartholomew's Church.
Friday 12 July	Pray for the people of Hoath – the village is part of the Benefice which also includes Herne Bay and Reculver churches. Praise God for Christian brothers and sisters working in the area as they seek to spread the Gospel message.
Saturday 13 July	Remember in prayer all those who work in supermarkets today. Pray too for our market traders and shopkeepers, our restaurants and coffee shops as they seek to keep our town and seafront alive.
Sunday 14 July	<i>"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive your inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving". Colossians 3:23-24</i>
Monday 15 July	As we remember again all those Christians who are now in care, we pray that the gospel words and hymns will stir memories and bring life to those whose memories are failing them. Bless June and David as they visit King Edward Court today.

Tuesday 16 July	Remember the Salvation Army Prayer Space tonight at 7pm. We thank God that people from all walks of life and different denominations come together to pray for our town. Pray that many more will follow.
Wednesday 17 July	Pray for those of us who will be going to ' <i>Changed Lives - Changing Lives</i> ' at Ashford this evening - conversations will be shared about this initiative for mission and evangelism in our churches.
Thursday 18 July	Pray for Herne Junior School Leavers' service today at St Martin's Church. A time of celebration for all they have achieved both academically, socially and spiritually and a reminder that God is with them and their church community is always there for them.
Friday 19 July	As schools break up for the summer holidays we pray that God will grant a time of rest and relaxation for teachers, classroom assistants, dinner ladies, lollipop patrols – in fact everyone involved in the vital work of educating the next generation.
Saturday 20 July	Pray for the people of Greenhill at today's Messy Church Community Barbecue. Pray for the scratch performance of selected choruses from Handel's Messiah at St Martin's Church Herne – 1.30 sign in – 5pm performance. And pray that the Summer Fair at Broomfield URC will be well attended and full of fun and laughter.
Sunday 21 July	<i>"In the last days, the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as chief among the mountains; it will be raised above the hills and all nations will stream to it."</i> <i>Isaiah 2:2</i>
Monday 22 July	Pray that many will join in the Open Prayer evening at Herne Bay Sailing Club this evening at 7.30pm. Already we see Christians from different churches praying together in obedience to Jesus who prayed to his father 'May they be one as you and I are one'
Tuesday 23 July	Think of a friend or relative who does not know Jesus. Pray that the Spirit will open up the pathways to their hearts so that their lives will be changed.
Wednesday 24 July	We pray for patience and energy for parents as they look after children through the school holidays, particularly those who are at work and need to find childcare. Pray for nurseries and all those who work to look after and teach our precious young children.
Thursday 25 July	Pray for those facing redundancy and seeking work. Ask God to help young people moving into college or university and those looking for employment for the first time.
Friday 26 July	As we pray for the work of Age UK at their centre in Beltinge, we also remember the lonely and the housebound people in our towns and villages. Pray for volunteer drivers and carers and for those kind neighbours who offer regular support.
Saturday 27 July	We pray for the Friends of Strode Park as they seek to raise funds and increase awareness of the wonderful work that goes on there. Pray for more people to become Friends and for new ideas to raise money in fun and exciting ways.
Sunday 28 July	This year's Community Fun Day on the recreation ground at Herne will be organised jointly by Herne Council, Strode Park and St Martin's Church. Pray for good weather (it poured last year!) and for safety and fun for visitors and volunteers.
Monday 29 July	<i>"Everything is permissible – but not everything is beneficial. Everything is permissible – but not everything is constructive. Nobody should seek his own good but the good of others"</i> . 1 Corinthians 10:23
Tuesday 30 July	Pray for Food Banks as they work to cope with the extra hardship of families who struggle while their children miss having free school meals throughout the long summer holidays.
Wednesday 31 July	We pray for a time of rest for church leaders during August as many will be taking a break and will be able to spend much needed time with their loved ones. May they be refreshed and renewed. Try to pray daily for them next month.

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