

HERNE BAY TOWN & VILLAGES PRAYER GUIDE

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Friday 1 November	As we move in to the 'Season of Goodwill to all' as it's often referred to on many Christmas cards, we pray for all those involved in preparations as we celebrate the birth of Jesus. May the Son of God be top priority in our hearts this Christmastide.
Saturday 2 November	Pray for safety and good weather for tonight's firework displays in and around the town. Remembering the original Gunpowder Plot, we pray today for more wisdom and tolerance in our own parliament.
Sunday 3 November	Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. <i>Matthew 5:4</i> Today St Bartholomew's hold an Annual Bereavement Service at 4pm. Pray for those who have lost loved ones and who struggle to go on alone. May they find Jesus anew.
Monday 4 November	Pray for all those in our churches who have the gift and the passion for evangelism. Let us support them in prayer and pray that they will be filled with the Holy Spirit as were the first disciples of Christ. Pray for opportunities for us all to share our faith.
Tuesday 5 November	Remembering this evening's 5pm Prayers at St Martin's church, we ask that wherever you are at that time, you would add your prayers to those of the small team. Pray for love between Christians of all denominations and that more people will come to faith.
Wednesday 6 November	Today, Herne Bay Baptist Church is hosting the Preparation Day for the 2020 World Day of Prayer. We pray for those leading and for those who travel from across the county to join together in prayer, teaching, fellowship and worship.
Thursday 7 November	We pray for all School Governors in the area. We thank God for all the vital voluntary work they do to support staff and to make our schools places of excellence.
Friday 8 November	Pray for those wonderful carers who because of their relative's physical or mental disabilities and illnesses are struggling to complete all the forms necessary to claim the new PIPS benefits. Pray too for the helpful volunteers at our Citizen's Advice Bureau.
Saturday 9 November	May God be present at the Ladies Breakfast at St Andrews, Hampton today. Pray for Holy Cross, Hoath as they offer a Frugal Lunch today in the village Hall. We thank God for these projects and pray that those who attend will receive blessings.
Sunday 10 November	As churches across the land welcome the wider community to Remembrance Day Services, we pray that those living today in war-torn countries, may find strength and hope for the future. Father, send your Spirit to bring peace to our world.
Monday 11 November	We need to take our practical problems to God and so today we highlight the plight of elderly people, loyal members of churches, where ageing heating systems, ancient buildings and limited funds make it impossible to keep warm as they worship.
Tuesday 12 November	Pray for the meeting of the Herne Bay Forum this evening at Herne Bay Baptist Church at 7pm. May dreams and visions for the town be shared and plans be put in place for local events. Pray too for changed lives at Messy Church in Reculver School.
Wednesday 13 November	We ask for a blessing on our cubs, scouts, brownies and guides and all those amazing folks who lead these groups. Help the young people to grow in friendship and learning to care for each other.
Thursday 14 November	Today, St Mary's, Reculver have started a new initiative to open the church from 2.15-3.15pm - a warm place of tea and chat as parents wait for children coming out of school. Pray that the love of Jesus becomes known through this act of kindness.
Friday 15 November	Prayers today are for the Salvation Army team as they visit 2 Care homes. Favorita this morning at 11am and Tarry's this afternoon at 2.30pm. Ask God to be with them as they take the gospel message to residents and staff.

Saturday 16 November	Pray for the people of Greenhill today and for St Martin's Messy Church team as they seek to reach out to children and parents with an afternoon of teaching, playing and eating together at St Peter's Church. 4-6pm.
Sunday 17 November	Many are the plans in a person's heart but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails. <i>Proverbs 19:21</i>
Monday 18 November	Where there is division in families, ask God to bring his peace and acceptance. Pray for those who have wronged us and for any broken friendships that need to be healed.
Tuesday 19 November	We pray for our doctors, pharmacists and nurses as they struggle to cope during the peak time of seasonal illness. Pray for staff and volunteers at hospices and hospitals, particularly those at our own Queen Victoria Hospital and Minor Injury Unit.
Wednesday 20 November	Pray for our milkmen (and women) our postmen (ditto) and those who collect and take away our rubbish. At this time of the year, these people work in all weathers and so we ask God to bless them for all they do to make our lives so much easier.
Thursday 21 November	Today's prayers are for those caring for family or partners at home. Many have been and will be taking on this 24/7 responsibility for a very long time and many will be exhausted. May they be given the strength and patience that comes from God.
Friday 22 November	Pray this evening for our loyal Street Pastors as they patrol the streets of our town supporting and listening to those in trouble and needing help. Pray that they will be able to raise the funds necessary to continue their valuable work here.
Saturday 23 November	Pray for the Safeguarding training day being held at HB Baptist Church today. Remember the market traders, supermarkets, coffee shops and restaurants on this busiest day of the week. Pray for St Andrew's Fair as Christmas invitations are given out.
Sunday 24 November	Will you not revive us again, that your people might rejoice in you? <i>Psalms 85:6</i>
Monday 25 November	Pray for all our churches as they distribute invitations and cards for Christmas services and celebrations. Pray for choirs and musicians as they prepare for carols and worship events to celebrate the birth of Our Saviour. May this Christmas belong to him.
Tuesday 26 November	Pray for St Andrew's Family Bay Ignite service at 3.45 today. May Paula and Dan be blessed as they lead the team of enablers to reach out and share the gospel with families in the community.
Wednesday 27 November	Today we pray for Father Mark and our friends at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church as they host a concert of Russian Church and folk music this evening – 7.30pm in church. Pray for a good attendance and real enjoyment of the uplifting music.
Thursday 28 November	Pray for the United Church in Herne Bay and the URC Church in Broomfield as they make plans to reach out to communities in the town and the village. May their numbers increase and their problems shrink.
Friday 29 November	Pray for those visiting the Baptist Coffee morning today in the High Street. We ask a blessing on the volunteers who always offer a lovely welcome and show the love of Christ as they serve others.
Saturday 30 November	In fifty years of ministry, here's what I've learned, the number one priority for every pastor, every Christian, is prayer. <i>Larry Stockstill as quoted in 'Dirty Glory'</i> Lord, help us to trust more, read the gospel more and pray more

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