## HERNE BAY TOWN & VILLAGES PRAYER GUIDE

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## FEBRUARY 2020

Saturday 1 February	Today we pray for the Messy Church team at HB Baptist Church. At 4pm today they celebrate their 10 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of this great monthly event for children and parents. Thank God for the faithful volunteers at this event across the Herne Bay area.
Sunday 2 February	Remember the Celebration of Baptism service at St Martin's, Herne as all 2019 baptismal families are invited to remember their baptismal vows and to re-commit to Christ. Pray too for the Evening Service of Communion and Healing Prayer – 6pm.
Monday 3 February	Pray for those today who are caught in the grip of addiction – drugs, alcohol or gambling. Ask God that they may be freed from this evil, life-destroying way of life and that they may find a new life by coming to know Jesus.'
Tuesday 4 February	Hold in prayer the lunchtime JAM club (Jesus and me) at Reculver School today and every Tuesday in term-time. Blessings on all those from the United Benefice (St Bart's, St Mary's, Reculver and Holy Cross, Hoath) as they make this happen each week.
Wednesday 5 February	Pray for all those who live and work at the Laleham Care Home on the sea front. Pray for David and June as they lead an afternoon service there for residents. Pray that the lovely hard-working staff will also be open to the Word of God.
Thursday 6 February	We pray for the Royal family. Bless our Queen and help her as she continues to fulfil the promises she made at her coronation. We ask that her own family troubles will be resolved and that there will be peace as she copes with her husband's illness this year.
Friday 7 February	Prayers today and every Friday for our Street Pastors. May this evening bring real 'Godincidences' as they walk the streets of our town. May God keep them safe and the Spirit fill them with Holy Fire.
Saturday 8 February	Pray for the Saturday Open Church and Coffee Morning at St Martin's, Herne. May those who come to photograph and admire the beautiful building feel the presence of God and the sense of the 750 amazing years of prayer that have taken place there.
Sunday 9 February	Confirmation classes begin today at St Bart's Vicarage. We pray for many to come forward to confirm their faith, may they draw closer to Jesus as they travel this journey.
Monday 10 February	We pray for all those who have friends and family living in the fire-torn parts of Australia. Ask Jesus to ease their burden of worry, bless and protect the brave firefighters and help all those who have already lost loved ones.
Tuesday 11 February	Messy Church today at Reculver School at 3.30pm. The theme is 'The Saints'. We lift up by name all the children that we know and ask God and all the saints for blessings of love and protection as they learn about the gospel.
Wednesday 12 February	A prayer request today for all who are anxious and downhearted and to whom the future seems bleak. Remember Jesus' words 'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest' Matthew 11:28
Thursday 13 February	We pray today for the churches that are facing expensive building and heating repair works to their buildings - St Peter's Greenhill, United Church Herne Bay, Salvation Army and any others we know. We ask God to provide all we need to mend his houses.
Friday 14 February	Valentine's Day today and we pray for more love in our communities, more kindness and more people who have a real heart for Our Lord. Pray for an opportunity to say to someone 'I love you' and then 'So does Jesus'

Saturday 15 February	Prayers today are for the Wedding and Baptism Enquiry morning at St Martin's today. We live in times where marriage is, for many, no longer important so we pray for Christian marriages and for a real change in this current 'throw-away' culture.
Sunday 16 February	Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Jesus Christ 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18
Monday 17 February	Our prayers today are for the Care Homes in Herne Bay. As the Salvation Army team take the gospel message in to King Edward's Court this afternoon we ask that they will be received with joy and open hearts and minds and that lives will be changed.
Tuesday 18 February	Remember tonight's Prayer Space at the Salvation Army at 7pm. May the presence of the Holy Spirit be powerfully felt in this quiet hour of Prayer. Pray for Vicki and her family as they lead the HB Corps, may God keep them well and on fire for him.
Wednesday 19 February	As young people take time out for the Spring half-term holiday, we pray that there will be space for family time. Pray for those whose home life is not happy and ask for our Lord to bring peace into difficult situations that they are too young to understand.
Thursday 20 February	We often forget those who empty our bins each week and those who deliver milk in the dark, early hours. We take for granted people who mend our roads and repair broken water mains. Let's pray for these workmen and women and ask God's blessing on them.
Friday 21 February	Pray for Christians Together across our land and for all the churches in the Herne Bay area as fellow Christians all seek to do God's will in our lives. Pray for our church leaders that they may continue to pray together and support each other throughout this year.
Saturday 22 February	There's a Winter Warmer Lunch tomorrow, 12.30pm at Hoath Village Hall. Pray that those who attend will find a generous Christian welcome and will know the love of Jesus with great food and fun.
Sunday 23 February	Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.  Ephesians 4:2-3
Monday 24 February	Pray for those caught up in the drug culture in our area. Ask Jesus to set them free of addiction and to change the mind-set of those who push drugs to our children and become rich as others become poor and ill.
Tuesday 25 February	3pm pancakes at St Mary's Reculver. As we toss our pancakes today, let's pray that we find time to think about Lent this year – not just about giving up chocolates and biscuits but about making a difference in our neighbourhood and among our friends.
Wednesday 26 February	Ash Wednesday and Lent begins. Pray that Christians will be positive in their Lenten resolves. May we find more time to read our Bibles, say grace before meals, find time for an act of kindness each day and give generously of our time and talents.
Thursday 27 February	Thank God for his creation and for the seasons. For lighter mornings and evenings and for the glorious colours of garden flowers, all harbingers of the Spring. Bless those who will be emerging from the darkness of winter depression into the light.
Friday 28 February	Prayers today for this evening's regular SAACK youth fellowship (Silly Adults and Cool Kida) outreach in St Bart Church Hall at 6pm. We ask God for many young people to
	come along and for lives to be changed by this initiative.