

HERNE BAY TOWN & VILLAGES PRAYER GUIDE

SEPTEMBER 2019

Sunday 1 September	"Again, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them" Matthew 18:19-20
Monday 2 September	Last month we prayed for all our churches in turn, let us now continue to hold each other and our leaders in prayer this month so that, between us, we may joyfully share the one vision 'To make God known in the Herne Bay area'
Tuesday 3 September	As many of our young people are back to school this week, we pray especially for those little ones who will be starting school for the first time. Prayers too for the 11plus age group who will be making the sometimes worrying move to 'big' school this term.
Wednesday 4 September	We pray for our local councillors. May they have wisdom and energy to cope with the contentious issues facing this area. We pray especially for those in the Planning Department as they make decisions which may prove life-changing to many residents.
Thursday 5 September	Let us ask our Father to send his Spirit to fill the places where our government leaders and European leaders meet. We pray for wisdom, patience and agreement between countries so that order may be restored and anxiety about the future be conquered.
Friday 6 September	As we think more about caring for our wonderful planet, pray that we listen to our young people who will inherit the climate change predicted by so many scientists. We pray for greater awareness by governments across the world.
Saturday 7 September	Pray for Messy Church today at Holy Cross, Hoath and the children, parents, carers and volunteers who continue faithfully to keep this wonderful outreach event alive each month. May God bless all who come along and may the Holy Spirit fill the room.
Sunday 8 September	As we worship today in our different churches, we ask God to give us a real heart for mission in our town and villages. Pray for those who have never heard the Good News and those who do not have a bible. Remember St Mary's Reculver Patronal Service 9.30.
Monday 9 September	Pray for the Queen today. We thank God for her steadfast witness as a Christian and her lifelong commitment to her duty despite the many difficult times and family problems she has coped with through the long years of her reign.
Tuesday 10 September	Our prayers today are for Messy church at Reculver School 3.20pm and the Art Workshop being held from 10am-3pm at Broomfield URC church. Thank God for the precious gifts of art and music.
Wednesday 11 September	Pray for all those who work in the town's many supermarkets, people of all ages who always seem to have a friendly smile and a chat. We pray that the number of items being donated in their food bank areas will increase as the need increases.
Thursday 12 September	Pray for those whose financial situation is being stretched to breaking point as changes in the benefit system means many are without money for several weeks. Pray for those who work at the benefit offices as they struggle to cope with the numbers.
Friday 13 September	Prayers today are for the Street Pastors and Prayer Pastors as they meet at the Friendship Centre this evening. Give thanks for the work they do and rejoice that this is a project where many different churches are involved.
Saturday 14 September	Pray for those who will be leading services tomorrow, particularly those who will be preaching. Pray that they may be led as they listen to God's prompting. Ask for blessings on the Holy Cross Patronal service this morning at 11am.
Sunday 15 September	Let the waters teem with swarms of living creatures, and let the birds fly above the earth in the open expanse of the heavens <i>Genesis 1 20-22</i>

Monday 16 September	Pray today for the small team who prepare the Prayer Guide and the web site each month. Pray too for those in our churches who faithfully copy and distribute the Guide to their congregations and those who use it in their daily or weekly prayers.
Tuesday 17 September	We hold in our prayers the Salvation Army Open Prayer Space held each Tuesday at 7pm. As the evenings grow darker pray for those who come along anyway and keep them safe.
Wednesday 18 September	We pray for our Prime Minister, the government and M.Ps of all political parties. As they seek to resolve the current strong disagreements about the future of our country let us ask our God to be ever present in the discussions and to bring calm and wisdom to all.
Thursday 19 September	We plead with God to make his presence felt in the media. As we are besieged by conflicting reports and sensational headlines that create worry and fear, we pray that straightforward, honest reporting will once again be encouraged by editors.
Friday 20 September	We pray for the Reverend Rose Hudson-Wilkin who is prayerfully preparing to be the next Bishop of Dover in Canterbury. May her time here in Canterbury herald a new age of passionate evangelism and committed prayer for Christians across the county.
Saturday 21 September	Pray for those organising a free barbecue at St Peter's Church, Greenhill this afternoon. As children and parents are welcomed, may the team reflect the love of Jesus. Pray for good weather for this event and for the Fete at Holy Cross, Hoath 11am-2.30pm
Sunday 22 September	Evening Praise and worship at St Bartholomew's Church 6pm all welcome. Shout for joy to the Lord all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Psalm 100: 1-2
Monday 23 September	Prayers at the Herne Bay Sailing Club this evening at 7.30pm. If, for reasons of health, mobility or prior commitments, you are unable to be at this lovely gathering of Christians from all denominations, please take time to join in from home.
Tuesday 24 September	We pray for Epilepsy Here, the charity based in Herne Bay and for those of all ages who suffer from epilepsy. We pray for the research that continues and we give thanks for the life-changing drugs that continue to be discovered.
Wednesday 25 September	We pray for new Christians as they learn more about Jesus in the coming months. May they feel welcomed into this new life and find a church that is right for them. Ask God to give us all a spirit of kindness and love as we nurture and love newcomers.
Thursday 26 September	As we move into Autumn, we need to pray that we will be given ideas to stand against the huge marketing and moneymaking phenomenon that has become Halloween. Pray that we are given ideas and helpers to offer alternatives and that evil will not triumph.
Friday 27 September	Let's pray for the Gamblers Anonymous group that meets in Christ Church. We pray that laws to stop the relentless wave of advertising will be stopped by law and that those who are caught up in this addiction will find strength to be free.
Saturday 28 September	Remembering Christians Against Poverty, we pray for more volunteers to be recruited to help those in debt. Due to the overwhelming number of applicants, the organisation cannot currently take on any more clients. Pray for this to change.
Sunday 29 September	Do not be anxious about anything but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God - the peace of God which transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6
Monday 30 September	As evenings begin to close in, we remember in our prayers all those who are living alone and who dread the loneliness of the winter months. We ask God to guide us to those in our own neighbourhoods so that we can show the love of Jesus by giving comfort.
Tuesday 31 September	Christmas is well under way in the shops already. Pray that this Christmas many more people will discover the real story of Jesus' birth. Pray that more stores will carry Christian cards and that many more Christians will buy them.

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