

# HERNE BAY TOWN & VILLAGES PRAYER GUIDE

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Tuesday 1 February	We continue to pray for an end to the pandemic and we remember all those who are struggling with anxiety and depression caused by isolation during these past two years. Pray too for children and parents at Messy Church at Reculver School 3.30-5pm today.
Wednesday 2 February	Today we remember our local schoolteachers and classroom assistants. As rising infection rates in primary school give cause for alarm, we pray for their mental and physical health. Give thanks to God for the vital work they do.
Thursday 3 February	As road works continue to frustrate us on our travels, we pray for patience and consideration for ourselves and other drivers. Give thanks that, despite staff shortages and financial constraints, efforts are being made to keep our roads repaired.
Friday 4 February	Pray for all those visiting <b>Reflections</b> coffee morning at Herne Bay Baptist Church. As people enjoy their coffee and cake pray that they will be aware of the presence of God in the room and that the messages from the beautiful banners will inspire.
Saturday 5 February	Volunteers from our local churches prepare food and exciting projects for Messy Church projects today at Holy Cross Hoath from 11.30a.m–1pm and also this afternoon at Herne Bay Baptist Church, we lift up children and parents to the Lord for his blessings.
Sunday 6 February	<b>“For I know the plans I have for you” says the Lord. “Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future”</b> <i>Jeremiah 29:11</i>
Monday 7 February	Community Driving School, based in Herne Bay, is a not-for-profit training provider offering training for vulnerable people and those with mental health issues as well as standard lessons. We thank God for this amazing facility for those in need.
Tuesday 8 February	Pray for more local projects to combat climate change. We are told that it has snowed in the Sahara again and that the Island of Tonga has been devastated by an earthquake and resulting tsunami – pray that the churches give a lead about caring for the planet.
Wednesday 9 February	Today we pray for our government. Hard to know what to pray for but we lift members of both Houses to the Lord and ask for his wisdom and for his power to change hearts and minds and to calm the stormy political seas.
Thursday 10 February	As our local main hospitals attempt to catch up on operations and tests postponed by the Covid years, we remember also staff at The Queen Victoria and Estuary View with their Small Injury Units and Beltinge Eye Clinic. Give thanks to our Lord for the NHS.
Friday 11 February	As the Herne Bay Street Pastors patrol areas of Herne Bay this evening, we pray that they will be given real opportunities to connect with those in trouble. Pray especially for young people tempted by drugs or alcohol that they might be saved by Jesus tonight.
Saturday 12 February	As musicians and leaders prepare for tomorrow’s Evening Praise at St Bartholomew’s Church at 6.30p.m, we pray that those attending will be uplifted and inspired by the words and great music from the band.
Sunday 13 February	<b>You are all children of God through faith in Jesus Christ, for all who have been baptised in Christ have been clothed with him. There can be neither Jew nor Greek, slave or free, male or female, for you are one in Christ Jesus.</b> <i>Galatians 3:26-28</i>

Monday 14 February	Valentines Day – generally a celebration of romantic love. We pray that love for neighbours, love for the poor and love for Jesus will also be remembered by many people this year.
Tuesday 15 February	As students and teachers enjoy the half term break, we remember in our prayers those involved in the education of our young people. The past 2 years of online teaching and home schooling have been hard and we pray for a calm and settled year ahead.
Wednesday 16 February	We remember in our prayers today our coastguards as the movement celebrates the 200 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of their organisation. Give thanks for the volunteers and staff who throughout 2 centuries have continued to keep people safe at sea.
Thursday 17 February	As the city council attempts to solve the problem of parking on congested roads in this area, we pray that the planned increase in double yellow lines will ease congestion and be welcomed. Pray for drivers who are constantly angry – may they find patience.
Friday 18 February	Our prayers today are for the small children and parents at Greenhill Little Fishes group who meet every Friday at St Peter's Church. Pray for the committed leaders and volunteers as they show the love of the Lord by offering kindness and care.
Saturday 19 February	In the middle of Mortimer Street on busy Saturdays, we thank God for the free Christian bookstall operating outside the United Church. We pray that people will enjoy having books and DVD's and that the seeds of information will grow to faith.
Sunday 20 February	<b>You shall not seek vengeance or nurse a grievance against any of your people, but you shall love you neighbour as yourself.</b> <i>Leviticus 19:18</i>
Monday 21 February	Our prayers today are with members and leaders of the Church of England in this Deanery as they meet this evening for Synod at 7pm. Pray for unity between the churches and exciting visions for the coming months and years.
Tuesday 22 February	Today we remember all those who go to Bay Ignite 3.45-5.15pm at St Andrew's Church, Hampton. Pray too for those who cook meals and offer a lovely welcome and ongoing support to all those in need.
Wednesday 23 February	Pray that hospitality and leisure firms in the Herne Bay area will be able to thrive again after struggling for so long. May many locals qualify for the Omicron Leisure and Hospitality grants to help them through these difficult times.
Thursday 24 February	As mums, dads and guardians with small children meet today at Footprints Toddler Group run by Herne Bay Baptist Church, we pray for blessings on each one. Pray too for single parents who are trying to cope with work, financial difficulties and childcare.
Friday 25 February	Pray for those whose lives are being destroyed by drugs or alcohol. Many victims are young and have been recruited into the supply chain with promises of hundreds of pounds. We pray that a way will be found to stop those involved in this evil trade.
Saturday 26 February	We think of those involved in sport in this area. Many of our local teams will be playing in matches today and we pray for good results and safety for players and spectators.
Sunday 27 February	<b>Let no one experiencing temptation, suggest that the temptation comes from God, for God has no interest in evil and would never tempt anyone. Each person is lured by their own desires, enticed and ensnared until desire spawns sin, which in turn leads to death. My dear friends do not be taken in.</b> <i>James 1:13-16</i>
Monday 28 February	Looking ahead to Easter, we pray for the Meaningful Chocolate Company who supply the Real Easter Eggs which include a book about the real meaning of Easter. This year supermarkets are refusing to stock their eggs so we pray for lots of online sales.

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