

HERNE BAY TOWN & VILLAGES PRAYER GUIDE

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Monday 1 August	As people travel away for their summer holidays, we pray that it will be a time of refreshing. Remember in your prayers those we know who continue to work through this month and struggle with school holiday childcare.
Tuesday 2 August	We pray for our government. As members of Parliament take their annual break, may many be shown the way of honesty, humility and love. Pray that they might return with a fresh vision of servant leadership. We remember that with God, all things are possible.
Wednesday 3 August	As members of the Salvation Army take the gospel again this month to care homes – Favorita on the 5 th and the Lyndhurst on the 22 nd – we pray that both staff and residents will respond with joy to the singing and gospel readings.
Thursday 4 August	While preparing the prayer guide we heard that Covid infections are on the rise again. It seems we must learn to live with this virus and we pray that God will be with all who suffer and those who live in fear.
Friday 5 August	We pray for safety for all those involved in the Friday Activity days being held at St Peter's, Greenhill throughout the month - 10am-3pm. Bless children and parents as they enjoy games and crafts during the days.
Saturday 6 August	Pray for all those who have had to make the difficult decision to cancel the planned Fun Day at Herne tomorrow. It will be a time of disappointment for many local people and we pray for those who had planned to take stalls there.
Sunday 7 August	I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. The creation waits in eager expectation for the sons of God to be revealed. Romans 8:18,19
Monday 8 August	Our prayers today are for our church leaders in the Herne Bay area. May our Lord give them his peace and rest in their busy lives during August and may we all give them our love and support in their daily work.
Tuesday 9 August	As we see temperatures rise, fires and floods across the world, we know that the result of human greed is destroying our planet. We repent for the years of neglect. Pray that leaders will unite to bring about change in the way we run our countries.
Wednesday 10 August	Pray for our Queen as she begins to retire from public duties. As she grieves for the loss of Philip and struggles with health issues, let us ask God to bless her and give her rest. Pray for the family members as they continue to support her and take on her work.
Thursday 11 August	It seems that the drug scene is thriving in our town and villages. Let us ask the Lord to help us and show us ways to rescue those who are being caught up in all forms of addiction. Pray too for Alcoholics Anonymous and Gambling support groups in the town.
Friday 12 August	Each week we read of the vast numbers of houses that are to be built in and around Herne Bay. We pray that due attention will be made for extra GP surgeries, schools and traffic control so that provision will be made for the resulting thousands of new people.
Saturday 13 August	Today is Carnival Day in Herne Bay and we pray for good weather and safety for all those involved. May it be a day of fun and celebration after the past years when so many events were cancelled because of lockdown.
Sunday 14 August	There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the thrashing of the sea. Men will faint with terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the earth, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. Luke 21:25,26
Monday 15 August	Pray for our farmers as many struggle to find workers at this busy time. We thank God for the harvest and for fruit and vegetables that grow locally. Remember allotment holders and gardeners as we pray for good weather for them.

Tuesday 16 August	We pray for HB Baptist Church as they await the appointment of a new leader now that Darren and Tracey Blaney are settled at Bridgend Hope Church. Pray too for safety during the extensive building work that is currently taking place there.
Wednesday 17 August	Our prayers today are for our friends and families, especially those who do not know the love of Jesus. Pray that God will prepare the ground for us to sow the seeds of faith and to lead by example.
Thursday 18 August	Although many people are able to relax during this holiday period, we think of our doctors, nurses and ambulance drivers as they continue to work night and day. May they be blessed with the strength of the Holy Spirit as they cope with long shifts.
Friday 19 August	Today we remember and pray for those we know who are sick in mind or body. God of love, we do not always understand suffering but we ask that you pour out your healing spirit and bring comfort to our friends in distress.
Saturday 20 August	Pray for the musicians and speakers as they prepare for Songs of Praise at 10am at St Peter's Church, Greenhill tomorrow. May they be truly blessed as they worship God with words and music.
Sunday 21 August	Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God because God is love. 1 John 4:7,8
Monday 22 August	Our prayers today are for the media both national and local. Pray that newspapers and television stations will reflect good news more often. There are wonderful initiatives taking place and great fundraising and kindness, we need to hear about them.
Tuesday 23 August	We pray for closer unity between churches in our area. Although the various denominations do not always agree on some issues, we all agree that we are part of the great family of God, which surely makes us brothers and sisters.
Wednesday 24 August	Whatever our circumstances today, let us praise God for all that he has done for us throughout the years. So many old and new hymns and songs tell us to give glory to the Lord – maybe sing or play some Christian music while we praise him.
Thursday 25 August	Many home groups will be taking a break this month so we pray that in the months ahead as they restart, their numbers will increase and many more will come to share the friendship, care and bible study in these gatherings.
Friday 26 August	As we look towards holidaymakers making their way back to the UK in the coming weeks, we pray that ferry services and airlines will be better able to cope and that we may avoid the long delays and queues that happened at the end of July.
Saturday 27 August	Pray for musicians and speakers at St Bartholomew's church as they prepare for tomorrow's 6.30 Evening Praise. Pray that Christians and visitors from across the town will enjoy the beautiful music and uplifting way of teaching and prayer.
Sunday 28 August	The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face towards you and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26
Monday 29 August	Pray that today's bank holiday will be a busy time for our local traders and restaurants. We continue to think about food banks and pray that donations will continue in the coming months. Pray that help will be forthcoming to all those in need.
Tuesday 30 August	As the Festival ends, we give thanks for all those who have worked tirelessly to make the past weeks a time of fun activities for all.
Wednesday 31 August	Today we remember the wonderful musical version of the Blessing that moved and inspired millions across the world at the first Covid lockdown (still on Youtube). We ask God again to bless our land and all who live here. May we be a blessing to others.

If you have prayer requests that you would like included, please email Anne Lehane at hbprayernet@gmail.com

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