

HERNE BAY TOWN & VILLAGES PRAYER GUIDE

MAY 2022

Sunday 1 May	Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. <i>Psalms 100:4</i>
Monday 2 May	Pray for a great Bank Holiday with lots of visitors. Pray that local shops and cafes will be kept busy and that it will be a day when families can relax and have fun together.
Tuesday 3 May	Prayers today are for Melody Kingman, headteacher at Herne Bay Juniors and Nicky Brown, head of Herne Bay Infants. Pray for school governors, teachers and classroom assistants at all our local schools.
Wednesday 4 May	Let today be a day of 'Thank you' prayers as we reflect on all that God has done for us. Thank him for Jesus and for his Word. Thank him for springtime and the beauty of the countryside and thank him for his love.
Thursday 5 May	We pray for the situation in Ukraine and cry out to God to protect the innocent and to bring about dramatic changes in those with stony hearts and cruel minds. May honest news be allowed to get through to the people of Russia.
Friday 6 May	We pray for Canopy as they prepare to host retreat days on Saturdays in Canterbury during May and June starting on May 28 th . Focusing on the Holy Trinity, there will be teaching, prayer and worship. For details visit www.amoreurope.org/theriver
Saturday 7 May	Pray for St Martin's Restoration Celebration Weekend. The Open Day today will be a time of sharing the joy of Easter with the love of God through the Risen Christ. Pray for Bishop Rose as she leads and preaches at tomorrow's morning service at the church.
Sunday 8 May	Lord send revival, start with me for I am one of unclean lips and my eyes have seen the King. Your glory I have glimpsed, send revival, start with me. <i>Matt Redman 1996 Kingsway Thankyou Music.</i>
Monday 9 May	Pray for Mal Saunders, headteacher at Herne Junior School; Helen Lockey, executive headteacher at Hampton Junior and Infants School and for Claire Tester, head of Primary and Patrick Tidd head of Juniors at the school.
Tuesday 10 May	Our Prayers are for staff and volunteers at Age UK. This wonderful organisation provides so many services for older people. Pray for all those who live alone and struggle to cope with everyday tasks and modern technology.
Wednesday 11 May	We pray for allotment holders and gardeners at this busy time of the year. As seeds grow and vegetables and flowers flourish, we thank God for creation and we pray for all those organisations both local and international, who are working to save our planet.
Thursday 12 May	Pray for NHS staff at Estuary View, Queen Victoria Hospital, QEQM and Kent and Canterbury Hospital. Pray too for all those who work in local doctors surgeries and chemists. The workload is heavy and responsibilities are great.
Friday 13 May	As suicide rates continue to rise among all age groups but particularly the young, we pray that more help will be made available for those suffering from anxiety and depression. Pray for families trying to support family members.
Saturday 14 May	Pray for those volunteers who work at the Christian bookstall outside the United Church in Mortimer Street every Saturday. May they be blessed and may many people take that first step towards knowing Jesus and the gospel as they accept books and DVDs
Sunday 15 May	They all joined together constantly in prayer. Acts 1:14 We join with our brothers and sisters at HB Baptist Church as they prayerfully look forward to the appointment of a new church leader.

Monday 16 May	As students prepare for exams, we pray for our local schools and their leadership teams. Today we remember Principal Mr J Boyes and his team at Herne Bay High School. Pray for those who will be starting GCSE exams today.
Tuesday 17 May	Today we pray for our neighbours, for those who know the Lord and those who have yet to learn of him. Pray for opportunities to show the love of Jesus in our words and deeds and that we might be given courage to share the gospel whenever we can.
Wednesday 18 May	Remembering those who are struggling to pay bills and feed families, we pray for those organisations who are offering friendship and practical support. Pray that we too might be generous by giving goods to food bank collections.
Thursday 19 May	Our prayers today are for all those who are involved in music in our churches, for bands, choirs and musicians. We pray too for the community choirs in and around the Bay and for music teachers and school choirs. Thank our God for the gift of music.
Friday 20 May	Pray for our Street Pastors as they take to the streets of Herne Bay again this evening. Pray that relationships will be made as they meet, talk and listen to people who are out and about partying and meeting friends on the sea front or the Memorial Park.
Saturday 21 May	We think of shopkeepers, restaurant owners and market traders today as the town fills with locals and visitors. Pray for those struggling to recover from the past years of lockdown.
Sunday 22 May	You know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. <i>Jeremiah 29:11</i>
Monday 23 May	Prayers today are for Jenny Ashley-Jones, Headteacher at Reculver Primary School. The prospect of many new houses being built in the surrounding area must be a source of worry to staff and governors and we ask God to ease concerns and give them strength.
Tuesday 24 May	We pray for leadership teams in all our churches as we are at last able to mix and reach out in mission to the people in our town and villages. May we see revival in this whole area and many coming to put their trust in God's promises.
Wednesday 25 May	Pray for all those who work at Strode Park. We remember those who work tirelessly to raise funds for this amazing organisation. Throughout the summer months they will be involved in many events and will need the strength of the Lord to get them through.
Thursday 26 May	Prayers today for all those often forgotten ones who look after us each week - for our binmen, milkmen, post men (and women of course) and for all the council workers who trim trees, cut grass verges and keep our parks and streets clean. We say thankyou.
Friday 27 May	Pray for Tim Whitehouse, Executive Headteacher of Hoath Primary School. Our village schools are so important to those living out of town and we pray that the lifeline of school bus services will not be cut.
Saturday 28 May	Pray for our outdoor activities now that summer is with us. Remember cricket teams and golf clubs, rambling and walking groups, tennis players, Herne Bay Bowls Club and all those who are out running and dog walking every day. Thank God for fresh air.
Sunday 29 May	Conduct yourself wisely in relation to those who do not share the faith, making the most of every opportunity. <i>Colossians 4:5</i>
Monday 30 May	Pray for our family and friends. Where there is discord pray for unity and forgiveness, where there is illness pray for healing and where there is joy give prayers of thanks.
Tuesday 31 May	We pray for our Queen and her family as they prepare for the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. The Queen has had such a tough year both emotionally and physically and we ask that she will be given strength and health to cope with all the activities.

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

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