

HERNE BAY TOWN & VILLAGES PRAYER GUIDE

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Thursday 1 September	We continue to pray for young people who have recently had their GCSE and A level results. The past 2 years have been a tough time for students and teachers and we ask our Lord to give them strength, wisdom and comfort as future plans are made.
Friday 2 September	Late night revellers will be out on the streets this evening, so we pray for their safety particularly in the Memorial Park and the seafront. Now that the Street Pastors have officially closed, we pray for police and PCSOs as they help keep the peace in our town.
Saturday 3 September	Prayers today are for parents preparing for the return to school next week. For some, the cost of uniforms and sports equipment will be a source of real worry. Pray that we will be guided into ways that we can help.
Sunday 4 September	I have told you these things that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble but take heart, I have overcome the world. <i>John 16:33</i>
Monday 5 September	Today is the opening of a regular weekly coffee morning at Herne Mill. Run by Friends of the Mill and supported by the church and the WI, the aim is to provide a safe place where people can chat and meet old and new friends each week.
Tuesday 6 September	Connect is a new weekly peer support group for those struggling with mental health and loneliness. The group will meet every Tuesday at the Salvation Army in Richmond Street. Pray that those who come will find help and that leaders will be blessed.
Wednesday 7 September	We remember in our prayers today, those who are ill and waiting for surgery. As our NHS struggles to cope, we pray that ways will be found to ease the load on our hospitals. Pray too that the verbal abuse aimed at staff will stop.
Thursday 8 September	As church run groups start up again after the holidays, we pray for the lunchtime 'Snack and Chat' held at the Salvation Army every Thursday. Pray that those in need of food or company will be there today and will feel the love of Jesus in that place.
Friday 9 September	We think of all our church leaders and leadership teams in and around Herne Bay and pray that they will be strengthened and inspired as they plan mission events in the coming months. Lord, we long to reach out to those who do not even know your name.
Saturday 10 September	Today is the annual Church Ride and Stride event where cyclists (or walkers if you don't ride) travel from church to church meeting other Christians and, by sponsorship, raise money to further the Lord's work. Pray for safety and good, healthy exercise.
Sunday 11 September	Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man who takes refuge in him. Fear the Lord, you his servants, for those who fear him lack nothing. <i>Psalms 34:8</i>
Monday 12 September	As we begin another week, either at work or in retirement, let us pray for ourselves – that God will use us this week and give us opportunities to speak to somebody about our faith and the life-changing way that Jesus has worked in our lives.
Tuesday 13 September	Pray for our government. At a time when trust is at an all-time low, we ask our Lord to raise up leaders who will be filled with the Spirit and will honour and support Christian values in our troubled country.
Wednesday 14 September	As we begin to feel the 'season of mists and mellow fruitfulness' approaching, pray for energy companies to show mercy on the poor and the disabled. Pray for organisations working with homeless people as demand increases in the coming months.
Thursday 15 September	We thank God for all his gifts and pray his blessing on all the art, craft and music groups that meet in this area. Pray for those who lead and for people attending, that they will find peace, support and friendship.

Friday 16 September	Pray for Reflections open coffee morning at Herne Bay Baptist Church. We ask for blessings on all who visit, all who bake cakes and all who serve. May it be a happy, holy meeting time for many residents and visitors.
Saturday 17 September	Fun, crafts and a meal at Messy Church today at St Peter's, Greenhill. Pray for the many children and parents who look forward to the monthly event, ask God to bless each one and to give strength and love to the wonderful, committed volunteers.
Sunday 18 September	I love the Lord because he hears my voice and my prayer for mercy. Because he bends down to listen, I will pray as long as I have breath. <i>Psalms 116:1-2</i>
Monday 19 September	Pray for our police, PCSOs and Community Wardens as they try to look after us all. A huge task and we pray that they will not be frustrated and overwhelmed. Help us to support these lovely people in practical and prayerful ways wherever we can.
Tuesday 20 September	Pray for Christian marriages. As just living together seems to have become the norm for so many couples, we pray that more will come to know the importance of commitment in a loving relationship blessed by God. Pray for children from broken homes.
Wednesday 21 September	As we experience the devastation being caused by extreme temperatures and rising sea levels, we pray that world leaders will set aside their differences for this one important issue which will affect us all and eventually destroy mankind.
Thursday 22 September	Our thanks for this prophetic prayer sent in by one of our lovely prayer warriors. <i>Lord Jesus, you are first born of all creation. You call us to wise stewardship and care for the earth – you will come and judge us for our care of all people and all creation.</i>
Friday 23 September	Pray for Salvation Army leader Vicki and her family as they settle in their new home (still in this area). Ask God to bless the new house and pray that this new chapter will be a time of joy and life in all its fullness.
Saturday 24 September	Our prayers today are for the people of St Martin's, Herne and St Peter's, Greenhill as they spend an Away Day at Minster Abbey in Thanet. May they enjoy fellowship and discuss their ideas for mission in the face of huge development plans in the village.
Sunday 25 September	This is what the Lord Almighty says, 'Administer true justice; show mercy and compassion to one another, do not oppress the widow or the fatherless, the alien or the poor' <i>Zechariah 7:9-10</i>
Monday 26 September	Pray for all those who volunteer for so many initiatives that were started in lockdown and now continue at Christ Church. We pray for generous donations to the Food Larder so that those in need can be fed each week.
Tuesday 27 September	Pray for our friends and families at Beacon Church as they meet at The Vibe on the seafront every Sunday. Pray too for weekly activities at their building in Sea Street as they seek to reach out to Herne Bay with the gospel message.
Wednesday 28 September	Pray for the Queen. Although we have little news of her these days, we continue to thank God for her 70 years on the throne and for the way she has spoken out about her faith over the years. May she be blessed with peace and freedom from pain.
Thursday 29 September	We pray for all those at Herne Bay Baptist Church as they patiently wait for a new pastor to be appointed. Bless all those who are currently taking on leadership roles and leading weekly worship and activities.
Friday 30 September	We ask God for blessings on Father Mark at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart. His church recently celebrated 40 years since he was ordained. We thank our Lord for his commitment to Christians Together and the Good Friday Walk of Witness each year.

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