

HERNE BAY TOWN & VILLAGES PRAYER GUIDE

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Friday 1 April	As the Street Pastors take to the streets of Herne Bay tonight, we pray that more volunteers will join their ranks. Pray too for more people to commit to supporting this work by becoming Prayer Pastors.
Saturday 2 April	Pray for the Revd George Fisher, guest speaker from Re-Source, as he leads the Parish Mission Weekend at St Martin's Church, Herne. Pray that he will inspire and share a great vision for outreach in this rapidly expanding village.
Sunday 3 April	Remember in our prayers the preparation for today's All-Age Celebration 'The Great Invite' at Beacon Church. The event will feature drama, games and teaching and we pray for protection for all those taking part. May many discover the love of Jesus.
Monday 4 April	We pray for a breakthrough in communications in Russia so that people will know the truth about this terrible war and the truth will set them free. (John 8:32) Pray for those who are managing to infiltrate social media in the country.
Tuesday 5 April	Pray for our church leaders in Herne Bay as they prepare for the busy schedule of services for Holy Week. May they be filled with the strength of the Holy Spirit as they share the joy of the resurrection this Easter Sunday.
Wednesday 6 April	As numbers of Covid cases continue to rise, we pray for those who are suffering. Pray that this virus will at last be under control as the summer approaches and that we will live our lives sensibly but not in fear.
Thursday 7 April	As fuel and food prices continue to increase, we pray for the organisations who are trying to help those in need such as Food Banks, Christians Against Poverty (CAP) St Vincent de Paul and many clubs and church groups.
Friday 8 April	We pray for the people of Ukraine, for those who have lost lives, those who have lost loved ones and to all those who have left everything behind to escape the slaughter and destruction caused by the Russian invasion of their country.
Saturday 9 April	Our prayers today are with all those we know who are ill. As NHS services continue to struggle, many will be left feeling frustrated, depressed and very anxious. May our Lord be close to those in need and pour out his healing and his peace on troubled souls.
Sunday 10 April	The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. Those who know your name trust in you, for you, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you. <i>Psalms 9:9-10</i>
Monday 11 April	As we look towards the Easter weekend, we pray that this year, many people will have the opportunity to learn what Easter is truly about. Pray for more Christian cards among those showing cuddly bunnies, chicks and eggs.
Tuesday 12 April	At this most blessed and holy time in the Christian year, we pray for unity among the churches in Herne Bay. Pray that we may increasingly work together and support each other in the coming months and years. Pray for all our church leaders.
Wednesday 13 April	Pray for children you know as they relax during this school holiday. Pray for more young Christians to be considering teaching as a career so that schools will be blessed with their presence. Pray for young people who are being called to Christian ministry today.
Thursday 14 April	Today is 'Beacon's Easter Bash' at the Centre in Sea Street 1-4pm. All are welcome to this free event with crafts, snacks and a treasure hunt. Pray that this way of outreach will enable the church to connect with families and people of all ages in the community.
Friday 15 April	As churches across the land hold services to remember our Lord's greatest sacrifice, we pray (on our knees if we are able) and give thanks for his ultimate act of love as he took on board our sins and died for each one of us. Thank you Jesus.

Saturday 16 April	We pray for those who have offered homes to refugees in the past weeks. As The Beacon Church (Regional Mission/New Frontiers) work with the government to be able to apply for visas directly with individuals, we ask God to bless the whole process.
Sunday 17 April	I am the resurrection and the life, those who believe in me will live, even though they die. John 11:25 He is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Monday 18 April	We think of those who are visiting Herne Bay for the Bank Holiday today. Pray for a day of fun and safety for all visitors and for good weather for special holiday events. Ask God to give more times of rest and refreshment to teachers during the coming term..
Tuesday 19 April	Many young people will be going back to school today after the Easter break. Let us hold young people in our prayers in the coming weeks, many are anxious about coming exams and are fearful of the future of the planet and the war in Ukraine.
Wednesday 20 April	As we look towards the coming months, many of us will be worried about rising prices everywhere. We pray that the Lord will continue to <i>'give us today our daily bread'</i> and that many will feel the love of Jesus as we help each other.
Thursday 21 April	Many of us know people who have been employed by P & O Ferries for many years and are now struggling to come to terms with the sudden loss of jobs. As the search for fresh employment goes on, we pray that all will find fulfilling work.
Friday 22 April	Many in our town are homeless or 'sofa surfing' with friends because they have nowhere to live. Pray that help will be available in abundance and that the Light of Christ will shine through the dark times that so many will be experiencing today.
Saturday 23 April	As High Street traders struggle and shops close, we pray that our town centre will begin to regenerate with small businesses coming to Herne Bay. Pray for the small independent shopkeepers who are working long hours to survive.
Sunday 24 April	The sceptre of the wicked will not remain over the land allotted to the righteous, for then the righteous might use their hands to do evil. But those who turn to crooked ways the Lord will banish with the evildoers. Psalm 136:3,5
Monday 25 April	Today we pray for a person or people you know who are suffering with anxiety and mental illness. As we lift them to Jesus in our prayers, pray that they will find healing and peace and be restored to the life in all its fullness that our Lord promises.
Tuesday 26 April	We pray for the three 'P's - People, Pastors and Presidents in Ukraine and Russia and all the many troubled countries across our world. Pray for our own Parliament and for town and local councils in this area.
Wednesday 27 April	We continue to pray for all those working in the NHS. Although we are learning to live sensibly with Covid, staff are still working long hours to cope with the huge backlog of operations, tests and treatment that built up during the 2 years of the pandemic.
Thursday 28 April	As refugees from Afghanistan and Ukraine come here to seek our help, we pray that many will be made welcome and will feel safe. May God grant that those who are separated from husbands and families will one day be reunited.
Friday 29 April	Pray for those families coming to the food bank at Christ Church today. We ask God to bless the volunteers and all those who give so generously to make The Larder possible. Pray that the day will come when food banks will be no longer needed.
Saturday 30 April	Great celebrations on that final day, when out of the heavens you come. Darkness will vanish, all sorrow will end and rulers will bow at your throne. Our great commission complete, then face to face we shall meet. Come Lord Jesus....Noel Richards and Gerald Coates 1992

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