HERNE BAY TOWN & VILLAGES PRAYER GUIDE

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Monday 1 June	We pray for our local schools, as some pupils hope to return to their classes this month. Pray for staff as they seek to cope with adaptations to classrooms and to the way they are safely able to teach.
Tuesday 2 June	Thank God today for all the acts of kindness being shown in our town and villages. As neighbours look out for each other we pray that this way of life will continue and that we will bless many people and show the love of Jesus in our lives.
Wednesday 3 June	Many people have been seeking ways to find out about God and prayer during the past weeks, some for the first time. They have watched streamed services on Sundays. Pray that we will be guided in ways to help them make contact with Christian churches.
Thursday 4 June	We thank God for Tim Hughes, the man behind the wonderful united churches musical The Blessing UK which has swept across our country and the world. Many viewers will have witnessed a totally new concept of Church – may they be inspired to look deeper.
Friday 5 June	Pray for businesses and organisations across our area as they seek to find new ways to continue to work and provide services for their customers. Ask God to be close to those who are struggling to cope with the current restrictions.
Saturday 6 June	Pray for all our friends at Riverside Vineyard as they prepare to show Sunday worship each week on their website. Also leaders of Beacon Church who have a Sunday Zoom where as many people as possible can share the video together.
Sunday 7 June	God be merciful to us and bless us; look on us with kindness, so that the whole world may know your will, so that all nations may know your salvation. Psalm 67: 1-2
Monday 8 June	Pray for wisdom for all in government as they are called to make difficult decisions in unprecedented times. Pray for Boris Johnson, Carrie and baby Wilfred, may they find family time to recover from their personal trials of the past month.
Tuesday 9 June	Pray for the many care homes in our area. Pray for safety for carers and residents and help them know that those working in this business are loved and appreciated by us all. Remember in our prayers those who are caring for loved ones at home.
Wednesday 10 June	We remember in our prayers today all family members who, because of the virus, are unable to visit much loved members of their families in hospitals and care homes. Pray that ways will be soon found for families to be re-united.
Thursday 11 June	Ask God to lead us to those in need of practical help so that, even if we are unable to help personally, we can contact those who are visiting, collecting prescriptions and taking shopping.
Friday 12 June	Prayers today are for our Street Pastors. Pray that ways will soon be found for them to safely patrol the streets of our town again on Friday nights. Remember too, our policemen and women as they seek to calm aggression and keep our streets safe.
Saturday 13 June	Thank God for the glorious springtime with such wonderful weather. Pray for new gardeners who may have only recently discovered the joy of growing things and the beauty of creation.
Sunday 14 June	The wise leaders will shine with all the brightness of the sky. And those who have taught many people to do what is right will shine like the stars forever. Daniel 12: 3
Monday 15 June	Pray that the Light of Christ will shine in the darkest places in our communities. Ask that those with addictions will be released and that those who make fortunes by feeding the addictions will be released from evil and live changed lives.

Tuesday 16 June	Pray for our churches as leaders carefully plan for new ways to open up again in due course. May they seek God's guidance as to what long term changes they may need or want to implement.
Wednesday 17 June	Thank God for Captain Tom Moore (now Sir Tom). His gentlemanly manner, humility and positive outlook on life have been an inspiration and example to us all. Help us all to carry that wonderful spirit of hope that comes from knowing Jesus.
Thursday 18 June	Pray and give thanks again this evening for all NHS workers who have worked tirelessly, fighting the virus in our local hospitals. Pray especially for the families of those who have given their lives to save the lives of others.
Friday 19 June	Prayerfully remember all those who would rather stay isolated, are fearful of meeting others again and fearful of contact with strangers. May God's love remove anxiety and fear.
Saturday 20 June	We pray for Sue Martin and her team at St Bartholomew's Church as they stream 10am Sunday worship on the church's Facebook page. Pray that it will be watched by many more people each week and that new people will seek the love of Jesus in that Church.
Sunday 21 June	The Lord asked Solomon "What would you like me to give you? Solomon answered "Give me the wisdom I need to rule with justice and to know the difference between good and evil, otherwise how would I ever be able to rule these great people?" 1 Kings 5&9
Monday 22 June	We pray for our dentists who have been unable to help their patients for several months. Many are very frustrated and worried that they can only be at the end of a phone and have only been able to deliver antibiotics to those in pain.
Tuesday 23 June	Pray for Strode Park Foundation, for managers, carers and residents. Ask God to keep them close and for his Holy Spirit to fill them with hope. Pray for all those who work at the Queen Victoria Hospital as they continue to be there for us all.
Wednesday 24 June	Pray for the safety of all key workers - our bin men, those who deliver our milk and post, delivery drivers, supermarkets staff, teachers caring for children of these people and many more. Pray that they will continue to receive the appreciation that they deserve.
Thursday 25 June	Prayers for local charities who are worried about their financial situation now that fund-raising events have all been cancelled this summer. We ask God to remind people to be generous so that wonderful groups and organisations can keep going.
Friday 26 June	Today the Beacon church will be holding a lunchtime Prayer meeting on Zoom. Let us join with them as they focus their prayers on a blessing for our nation and our neighbours. Pray for 3 people you know who you long to come back to Jesus.
Saturday 27 June	Pray for the town's charity shops. So many local and national charities depend on the income from these outlets and so many families depend on affordable clothes and household goods. Pray for volunteers to feel confident to return when this is allowed.
Sunday 28 June	He said "Prophesy to the bones. Tell these dry bones to listen to the Word of the Lord. Tell them that I the Sovereign Lord am saying to them; I am going to put breath into you and bring you back to life" Ezekial 37:4-5
Monday 29 June	Pray for those who are suffering from mental illnesses resulting from the time of lockdown. Pray for God's peace and healing power to be poured out on them so that they may face the future with hope.
Tuesday 30 June	The most Googled word during the past weeks has been 'Prayer'. Pray that a new wave of prayer will sweep across this land, uniting Christians of all denominations in a way that we have never seen before. We pray for a great revival of the Christian faith.