## HERNE BAY TOWN & VILLAGES PRAYER GUIDE

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Pray for our Herne Bay church representatives as they meet today at 10am in the Friendship Centre to discuss local plans for the 2019 Women's World Day of Prayer. This is a global event open to men and women as we unite in prayer with the world.
Our prayers today are for Salvation Army leader Vicki Tate and her family as she prepares tonight's recently formed open prayer meeting at 7pm. May we see the Holy Spirit move in mighty ways as prayer ministries continue to grow in the Herne Bay area.
We thank God that East Kent Hospitals Trust have been given capital investment of £6.48 million to assist with A&E care. Bless the wonderful medical staff who work in this sector and give them the strength and patience to cope as winter approaches.
We pray for head teachers and governors across this part of Kent as they meet in St Mary Bredin Church, Canterbury for the Schools Conference. Bless staff at our own local primary and secondary schools as they teach and care for our young people.
Remember in prayer those using Herne Bay Railway Station. We think of commuters and visitors to our town. Bless those who work on our railways. Ask our Lord for safety for all who travel and that the station may be a safe place at all times.
May the Lord bless all those who work with children and especially today as volunteers provide a safe, fun space at Messy Church – 11am at Holy Cross, Hoath. Prepare the ground for parents and children to be inspired by learning about Jesus.
'And I will do whatever you ask in my name so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask me for anything in my name and I will do it'  John 14:13-16
We pray for Christian marriages and for more couples to make their vows before God. As divorce now becomes even easier, help us to be prayerful and supportive to couples going through tough times, may we become family to those who have none.
Ask God to bless the people of Reculver and the forthcoming preparations for the Alpha course starting there next week. Pray that Christians will be brave enough to invite friends and neighbours to the course.
Prayers today are for our policemen and women and our Community Wardens. Ask for the Lord's protection as they visit troubled areas and deal with difficult situations. May the light of Christ be seen in the dark places of our towns and villages.
Today children receive their results for the Kent Tests and we hold them up to the Lord. Whatever the outcome, we ask for blessings and peace on the youngsters and their families. Help them to know that they are equal in God's eyes and he loves them all.
We think of today's royal wedding at St George's Chapel, Windsor. We ask the Lord for safety for all the guests and pray for a blessing on Princess Eugenie and Jack Brooksbank as they begin their married life together.
Pray for Rev'd Sue and Simon Martin as they oversee a Strategy Day in each of the 3 churches in their care, St Bart's, St Mary's and Holy Cross. May they feel the presence of the Holy Spirit and be given divine guidance about the way ahead for each church.
Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?' and I said 'Here am I Lord. Send me!'  Isaiah 6:8
We pray today for the meeting of the Church of England's Deanery Synod. Ask God that this meeting involving local church leaders will be exciting and prayerful and that wise decisions will be made. May harmony and love prevail amongst brothers and sisters.

Tuesday 16 October	Tonight is the start of the Alpha course to be held at the Hat Hat Coffee shop at Reculver 7.30-9pm. Pray for good weather and safety for those travelling to the venue. Pray for good response and wonderful results!			
Wednesday 17 October	We pray for all those who are awaiting results of tests for their health problems.  Comfort those who are facing surgery for cancer and for their loved ones. May God be with the medical teams as they do this wonderful work.			
Thursday 18 October	As shops begin to fill the shelves with rows of Christmas cards, gifts and food, we pray that this year Jesus will at last take centre stage and that his birth will be celebrated in a new and exciting way in Herne Bay.			
Friday 19 October	Prayers today please for the staff at Wildwood as they care for God's creatures through the coming winter months. We remember in prayer organisations and individuals who work and campaign for protection for endangered species in our world.			
Saturday 20 October	We pray for the people of Greenhill. May God's presence be known in Herne Bay High School and Briary School and may his light shine in the village and his love be made known. Blessings on this afternoon's Messy Church 4-6pm at St Peter's church.			
Sunday 21 October	To clasp the hands in prayer is the beginning of an uprising against the disorder of this world. Karl Barth			
Monday 22 October	Pray for local businesses who are unsure of the way ahead as the country prepares to leave the European Union. Pray for wisdom for our ministers and leaders and peaceful, constructive debates in the weeks ahead.			
Tuesday 23 October	We remember in our prayers men and women of all ages who are suffering with anxiety and depression. Pray that mental illnesses will be healed and that the peace that flows from knowing the love of Jesus will bring about altered lives.			
Wednesday 24 October	We pray for speakers, artists, composers and musicians in our churches as they use their gifts to give glory to God. Help us to reach outside our church buildings so that others may hear and be uplifted with the message we bring.			
Thursday 25 October	As the work on the new Sainsbury's store and petrol station progresses, we pray for safety for all those working on the site. We thank God for the employment opportunities this project will offer for this area.			
Friday 26 October	We remember again the Street Pastors and ask God to keep them safe as they walk around Herne Bay this evening. Pray for good, Godly encounters with local young people.			
Saturday 27 October	With the winter sports now being well under way, we lift up those involved locally in rugby, football and hockey this weekend that they may be safe and free from injury. As they play, may they discover the true meaning of sportsmanship.			
Sunday 28 October	There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Jesus Christ. If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed and heirs according to the promise.  Galatians 3:28-29			
Monday 29 October	Pray for the work of Age UK locally as they support and offer great activities and practical help for many older people. May God comfort those who dread the coming of dark evenings and cold weather. Help us all to be good neighbours			
Tuesday 30 October	We ask for God's blessing on all the cubs and scouts, brownies and guides and those amazing folks who lead these groups. Help these young people grow in friendship and learning to care for each other			
Wednesday 31 October	Pray for protection for all the many church prayer groups and home groups. Lord we pray that this area may one day be covered in continuous prayer as we see our towns and villages transformed. Give us revival Lord.			