

Prayer meeting dates:

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January in the Prayer Room at the Rectory 8.30.

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January in the Prayer Room at the Rectory 8.30.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February in the Prayer Room at the Rectory 8.30.

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February in the Prayer Room at the Rectory 8.30.

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March in the Prayer Room at the Rectory 8.30.

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Please feel free to attend as many or as little meetings as you can, we love to welcome new members.

# St Mary Greenhithe



January Prayer Diary 2015

### **A Prayer for the New Year**

#### ***Come, Holy Spirit,***

*Spirit of the Risen Christ, be with us today and always.*

*Be our Light, our Guide, and our Comforter.*

*Be our Strength, our Courage, and our Sanctifier.*

*May this new year be a time of deep spiritual growth for us,*

*A time of welcoming your graces and gifts,*

*A time for forgiving freely and unconditionally,*

*A time for growing in virtue and goodness.*

#### ***Come, Holy Spirit,***

*Be with us today and always. Amen.*

*(Taken from appleseeds.com)*

#### **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> January**

Thank God for the year that has just passed and for the new year just starting. Ask Him to draw us deeper into His presence, to strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. (Hebrews 12:1)

Pray for Jude Andrews.

Pray for the residents of London Road.

Pray for the community of St Margaret, Ifield. *Richard and Gill Martin, Carey Laughland, David and Glenys Scott*

#### **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> January**

Praise God for the extra services that took place over the Christmas period. Thank Him for all those who helped to run them, especially thinking of the Music Group, Sound and Vision Technicians, Side persons, Refreshment makers, Readers, Pray-ers and Andrew, Carol and Sister Penny.

Pray for Mildred Andrews.

Pray for the residents of Sara Crescent.

Pray for the community of St Botolph, Northfleet. *Lawrence Smith and Chris Routledge*

#### **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> January**

Pray for those who have passed through the church doors over the Christmas period, and ask God to work in the lives of those who are seeking Him in our community. Ask Him to show us ways of assisting newcomers as they seek Him.

Pray for Tanya, Amber and the Aspreno family.

Pray for the residents of Woodland Way.

Pray for the community of St George, Gravesend. *Chris and Carol Stone, Lorraine Lawrence*

#### **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> January**

Today marks Epiphany **Matthew 2:9-12**

*After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.*

Praise God for the faithfulness of the wise men who saw the star and believed that Jesus is the King who was promised to God's people. Thank God for the seed of belief that He has given us and ask Him to help you water that seed so it becomes fully rooted and grows in Him.

**Pray for church services today. Ask God to protect His people from the evil forces of the Devil and his works. Ask God to bless Andrew, the Readers, Music Group, Technicians, Sides Persons, Pray-ers and all involved with today's service's so that The Holy Spirit may reign in all truth and holiness.**

Pray for Andrew, Carol and the Avery family.  
Pray for the residents of Quay Lane.  
Pray for the community of Christ Church, Milton. *Sue and Jeremy Brewer, Jacqueline Littlewood and Jo Drew*

#### **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January**

Pray for our local schools, staff and children as they settle back into the new term.  
Pray for Mr Carey the new head teacher at St Georges School. Pray that God will continue to reign at the school. Ask God to uphold staff and students so they will continue to feel safe and valued at school.  
Pray for the Guides as they meet this evening.  
Pray for Rupali, Abeish and baby Rhea Bhatt born in in December  
Pray for the residents of Admirals Walk.  
Pray for the community of St Mary, Chalk. *Nigel & Sue Bourne, Chris and Anna Kilgour*

#### **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January**

Praise God for Carol. Ask Him to bless her as she attends college today.  
Pray that the Sticky Fingers members will be blessed by His awesome presence today and that they will find time to relax as they meet.  
Praise God for the Cell Group Meetings at the Gales and the Ikediashi's this evening.  
Pray for John and Margaret Bobby.  
Pray for the residents of Smugglers Walk.  
Pray for the community of St Mary, Wrotham Road. *Churchwardens and PCC (In Interregnum)*

#### **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January**

Pray for all who attend The Place Community Cafe today. Thank God for all who help to run it and ask Him to protect them from attacks of the devil and his demons.

Praise God for Ken's ministry at Rosewood. Pray God's protection over him and all those he meets.  
Pray for the Brownies as they meet this evening.  
Pray for Paul, Mac and the Buckley family.  
Pray for the residents of Eagles Road.  
Pray for the community of St Peter & St Paul, Swanscombe. *Mark and Barbara Hurley*

#### **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January**

Give thanks and praise to The Lord for the many blessings that we have received over the past months. For the ongoing repair to the fence at the front of church, the making watertight of the church roof and the grant received for new tables and chairs in the hall.  
Praise God for Mandy's Cell Group Meeting this evening.  
Pray for Elliott Buckley.  
Pray for the residents of High Street.  
Pray for the community of St Mary, Greenhithe. *Andrew and Carol Avery, and Sister Penny*

#### **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January**

Ask God to bless all at Baby & Me today. Ask Him to forge friendships between parents of young babies and children.  
Praise God for the many opportunities he has given us to share the word this Christmas and give thanks for the people who attended the various carol services. Pray that God will speak into their hearts as a result.  
Pray for Phyllis Bufford.  
Pray for the residents of Beaton Close.  
Pray for the community of The Salvation Army, Dartford. *Graeme and Zoe Smith*

#### **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> January**

Praise God for Who Let The Dads Out? Ask Him to bless all those at the meeting today.

Tomorrow marks Human Trafficking awareness day. There are 21-30 million people in slavery today. This is more than at any time in human history (Source: freetheslaves.net). According to UNICEF, 2 million children are estimated to be trafficking victims of sex trade each year. The average age of a girl being forced into the US domestic sex slavery market is 13. Pray against human trafficking and slavery, look for the signs of slavery and trafficking in your community as the UK is not immune. Pray God's protection over Yo-Yo and 2 Extreme as they meet this evening. Thank Him for all the work that Dan has done with the groups and ask Him to bless Dan in His new role at Herne Bay. Pray for The Connald family. Pray for the residents of The Avenue. Pray for the community of St Peter & St Paul, Milton. *Graham and Linda Herbert*

### **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January**

**Today is the feast of the baptism of the Lord.** Matthew 3:13-17 (NLT)

#### **The Baptism of Jesus**

*Then Jesus went from Galilee to the Jordan River to be baptized by John. But John tried to talk him out of it. "I am the one who needs to be baptized by you," he said, "so why are you coming to me?" But Jesus said, "It should be done, for we must carry out all that God requires." So John agreed to baptize him.*

*After his baptism, as Jesus came up out of the water, the heavens were opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and settling on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my dearly loved Son, who brings me great joy."*

**Pray for church services today. Ask God to protect His people from the evil forces of the Devil and his works. Ask God to bless and protect Andrew, the Readers, Music Group, Technicians, Sides Persons, Pray-ers and all involved with today's service's so that The Holy Spirit may reign in all truth and holiness.**

Pray for Adrian Edmonds.

Pray for the residents of The Dell.

Pray for the community of St Peter & St Paul, Shorne. *Glyn and Philippa Ackerley*

### **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January**

Thank God for the Guides and their leaders. Pray God's protection over them.

Pray for the PCC as they meet this evening.

Pray for more pray-ers for the prayer meeting on Wednesday. Ask God to show the group what He wants them to be praying for.

Pray for Barry, Beth, Oli and Hanna.

Pray for the residents of Bridge View.

Pray for the community of The Salvation Army, Gravesend. *Pat and Kate Carton*

### **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January**

Pray for Carol at college today. Ask God to open her mind to what is being learnt today.

Thank God for all who run Sticky Fingers, ask him to bless them in their role in the community.

Pray for those at Cell Group Meetings this evening. Ask God to speak into their hearts and minds so they may understand His word and what it means.

Pray for Derren, Julie and Jonny.

Pray for the residents of Watermans Way.

Pray for the community of Gravesend Methodist Church. *Noreen and Lafton Daley-Lee*

### **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January**

Ask God to let His Spirit fall at The Place Community Cafe today. Ask Him to draw close to those who are seeking Him.

Pray for Ken as he visits Rosewood today. Ask God to work through Ken's ministry.

Pray for those meeting at the Rectory for prayer this evening. Ask God to lead them in prayer.

Thank God for Jude and Mildred and all they do with the Brownies, pray His blessings over them.

Pray for Jean and Ken Gale.

Pray for the residents of Monks Well.

Pray for the community of Churches together in Ebbsfleet. *Penny Marsh*

#### **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January**

Pray that God's Holy Spirit will lead Mandy's Cell Group Meeting this evening.

Pray for the victims of the Ebola epidemic in Sierra Leone and for the medical teams who care for them. Pray for their families and the many communities affected.

Pray for the Golding family.

Pray for the residents of Prioress Crescent.

Pray for the community of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Gravesend. *Michael Fanstone*

#### **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January**

Pray that the Holy Spirit will rest on all at Baby & Me today.

Pray for the many Christians who have lost their lives through conflict and persecution, according to a BBC study over 5000! Christians were killed in November alone last year.

Pray for Michael Hardy.

Pray for the residents of College Place.

Pray for the community of Churches together in Gravesend.

#### **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January**

Ask God to engage with those who may be seeking Him at Who Let the Dads Out? Thank Him for Ben and the team.

Pray for Jenette Hawkes and family.

Pray for the residents of Calcroft Avenue.

Pray for the community of Riverview Baptist, Gravesend. *David Ware*

#### **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January**

**Pray for church services today. Ask God to protect His people from the evil forces of the Devil and his works. Ask God to bless Andrew, the Readers, Music Group, Technicians, Sides Persons, Pray-ers and all involved with today's service's so that The Holy Spirit may reign in all truth and holiness.**

Today marks the start of a week of prayer for Christian unity. Pray that we at St Mary's church will unite with each other and with churches of different denominations.

Pray for Kelvin, Sarah, Jamie, Jo and family.

Pray for the residents of Ingress Park Avenue.

Pray for the community of City Praise Centre, Gravesend. *Tom Griffiths*

#### **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January**

##### **1 Corinthians 1:10 (VOICE)**

*My brothers and sisters, I urge you by the name of our Lord Jesus, the Anointed, to come together in agreement. Do not allow anything or anyone to create division among you. Instead, be restored, completely fastened together with one mind and shared judgment.*

Pray for Christian unity, ask God to show you how to relate to other Christians and take positive action to forgive those who've offended you.

Pray God's protection over the Guides as they meet this evening.

Ask God to bless those at the ministry meeting this evening.

Pray for Mandy Holloway and family.

Pray for the residents of Worcester Close.

Pray for the community of Holy Trinity Church, Dartford. *Martin Henwood*

#### **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January**

##### **Ephesians 4:3 (VOICE)**

*Make every effort to preserve the unity the Spirit has already created, with peace binding you together.*

Continue in prayer for Christian unity. Pray for Christians that you know from other churches.

Pray for Carol. Ask God to empty her whilst at college so she may be able to connect fully with the message He has for her.

Pray for all at Sticky Fingers today. Thank God for the group and ask him use it to draw close to those who use it.

Pray God's blessings over the Cell Group Meetings at the Gales and Ikediashi's this evening.

Pray for Rachel Holloway.

Pray for the residents of Cobham Close.

Pray for the community of Swanscombe Methodist Church. *Noreen and Lafton Daley-Lee*

### **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January**

#### **Romans 12:16 (VOICE)**

*Work toward unity, and live in harmony with one another. Avoid thinking you are better than others or wiser than the rest; instead, embrace common people and ordinary tasks.*

As Christian unity week continues ask God to help us all at SMG to be united in spirit and truth, putting away the spirit of self and putting on the spirit of holiness.

Pray for those who Ken visits at Rosewood today. Thank God for those who run and care for the residents.

Thank God for those who help to run The Place Community Cafe, ask God to bless them in their work.

Thank God for the Brownies and what they learn. Ask Him to protect them as they meet.

Pray for Vicky Holloway.

Pray for the residents of Breakneck Hill.

Pray for the community of Christ Apostolic Church, Swanscombe.

### **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January**

#### **Colossians 3:13-14 (VOICE)**

*Put up with one another. Forgive. Pardon any offenses against one another, as the Lord has pardoned you, because you should act in kind. But above all these, put on love! Love is the perfect tie to bind these together.*

Ask God to reveal anything that stops us from uniting with fellow Christians, repent and ask for His forgiveness, and for His help in forgiving others.

Pray God's blessings over Mandy's Cell Group Meeting this evening, ask Him to speak into the hearts and minds of His people.

Pray for Carol Houbert.

Pray for the residents of Perkins Close.

Pray for the community of St Albans Church, Dartford.

### **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**

#### **Psalms 133:1 (NLT)**

*How wonderful and pleasant it is*

*When brothers live together in harmony!*

Pray for the churches together in Britain and Ireland. Ask God to unite Protestants and Catholics that they may live in peace together.

Ask God to bring peace and rest to the parents and careers at Baby & Me today.

Pray for comfort for the families of the 132 children killed by the Taliban in Pakistan last month.

Pray for Vicky Hubert and family.

Pray for the residents of Cowley Avenue.

Pray for the community of Northfleet United Reformed Church.

### **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January**

#### **Galatians 3:26-28 (GNT)**

*It is through faith that all of you are God's children in union with Christ Jesus. You were baptized into union with Christ, and now you are clothed,*

*so to speak, with the life of Christ himself. 28 So there is no difference between Jews and Gentiles, between slaves and free people, between men and women; you are all one in union with Christ Jesus.*

Thank God for His provision that we may be reconciled to Him through the blood of Jesus Christ. Praise the name of Jesus for we are all one in union with Him.

Thank God for Dad's who want to spend time with their children. Ask Him to lead more fathers to Who Let the Dads Out? so they can forge friendships with other fathers in the community.

Thank God for our youth and pray His blessings over Yo-Yo and 2 Extreme as they meet this evening. Ask Him to raise up a new youth leader who will lead them in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Pray for Emeka, Gretel, Chiddy, Tobe and Ruben.

Pray for the residents of Steel Avenue.

Pray for the community of Our Lady of the Assumption R C Church, Northfleet. *Father Robert Ellis*

### **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January**

**Pray for church services today. Ask God to protect His people from the evil forces of the Devil and his works. Ask God to bless the Andrew, Readers, Music Group, Technicians, Sides Persons, Pray-ers and all involved with today's service's so that The Holy Spirit may reign in all truth and holiness.**

Pray for Viviana Isaack.

Pray for the residents of Low Close.

Pray for the community of RCCG - City of His Grace, Northfleet.

### **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January**

Thank God for the Guides and their leaders. Thank Him for the role they take in the community.

Pray for Thomas Kunle.

Pray for the residents of Sayer Close.

Pray for the community of St Mary, Stone. *Kenneth Clark*

### **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January**

Pray for peace and protection as Carol attends college today.

Pray that parents and carers will find rest and peace at Sticky Fingers group today.

Praise God for all who attend Cell Group Meetings at the Gales and Ikediashi's. Ask God to rein in their hearts.

Pray for Marion Lane and family.

Pray for the residents of King Edward Road.

Pray for the community of Swanscombe Methodist Church. *Noreen and Lafton Daley-Lee*

### **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January**

Pray for Ken as he visits residents at Rosewood today.

Praise God for the Place Community Cafe. Thank Him that the CAB will be attending and ask that residents from the community will know where to find them when they need advice.

Pray God's protection over the Brownies as they meet this evening.

Pray for those meeting at the Rectory for prayer this evening.

Pray for Emily Blackwell Lane.

Pray for the residents of Castle Street.

Pray for the community of Christ Apostolic Church, Swanscombe.

### **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January**

Praise God for Mandy and her Cell Group. Ask God to bless her abundantly.

Pray for Peter, Caroline and the Leggatt family.

Pray for the residents of Ivy Villas.

Pray for the community of St Albans Church, Dartford.

### **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January**

Pray for all those at Baby & Me today. Ask God to draw close to those who are seeking Him.

Pray for Mike and Caroline Limb.

Pray for the residents of Hill Crest Drive.

Pray for the community of Northfleet United Reformed Church.

**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January**

Pray that God will lead fathers who are seeking Him to Who Let the Dads Out? Ask that He will provide for their needs through Ben's ministry.

Pray for IIne and JD Lombard and family.

Pray for the residents of Station Road.

Pray for the community of Our Lady of the Assumption R C Church, Northfleet. *Father Robert Ellis*