

**1 Corinthians 13: 1-3**

*"I may be able to speak the languages of human beings and even of angels, but if I have no love, my speech is no more than a noisy gong or a clanging bell. I may have the gift of inspired preaching; I may have all knowledge and understand all secrets; I may have all the faith needed to move mountains—but if I have no love, I am nothing. I may give away everything I have, and even give up my body to be burned—but if I have no love, this does me no good".*

*(Good news Translation)*

**Hebrews 12:1-4**

*Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us 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. We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honour beside God's throne. Think of all the hostility he endured from sinful people; then you won't become weary and give up. After all, you have not yet given your lives in your struggle against sin.*

*(NLT)*

**Proverbs 3:5-6**

*Trust in the LORD with all your heart;  
do not depend on your own understanding.  
Seek his will in all you do,  
and he will show you which path to take.*

*(NLT)*

# St Mary Greenhithe



July Prayer Diary 2014

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July**

Praise God for our Sticky Fingers group. They still need more volunteers to help out at the group so Please pray about how you maybe able to volunteer to help out once in a while for any of our outreach groups. Give thanks for all the hard work of Carl, Paul, Joan, Bill and Mike who have been busy making our church grounds look tidy and beautiful, pray for protection over them on site as they go about their work Give thanks for Small Group Meetings this evening. Ask God to reign in the hearts of His faithful witnesses tonight. Pray for the residents of Austen Close. Pray for the community of All Saints, Perry Street. Give thanks for the installation of Father Lawrence Smith. Pray for Lawrence and his ministry within that community.

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

The Place Community Cafe, Pray for insights into what our local community needs are. Ask God to guide us and reveal his plans for this ministry. Pray for Ken as he visits residents at Rosewood care home. Pray that God will be with him, guide him and strengthen him in all he does. Pray for the Brownies. Ask God to be with them as they meet. Pray for the social team as they meet at Jen's this evening. Pray for the residents of Lane Avenue. Pray for the community of Holy Family, Gravesend.

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**

Pray for the Church finances, ask God to give wisdom to all those responsible for the running of St Mary. Pray that they will be prayerful over their decisions and that God will give them a gift for listening for His instruction. Give thanks for the Small Group Meetings this evening. Pray for those attending that they may be filled with the Holy Spirit and be overjoyed in His presence.

Pray for the residents of Spring Vale.  
Pray for the community of St Margaret, Ifield.

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

Thank God for all the encouragement that the Baby & Me group has given new parents over the years. Pray for Mike as he sets out to develop an outreach team, ask God to lead him in all His ways and to lead those who have a right heart for outreach to the team. Pray for the residents of Starboard Avenue. Pray for the community of St Botolph, Northfleet.

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July**

Who Let The Dads Out? Meet this morning. Ask God to use those who help out to plant seeds of hope into the lives of those who attend. Give thanks for the Ladies night at the Rectory this evening. Ask God to bless those attending with good fellowship and sisterhood in Christ. Pray for the residents of Port Avenue. Pray for the community of St George, Gravesend.

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July**

**Pray for Andrew, the Worship group, Readers, Pray-ers, Sound and Vision Team, Sunday Special, Sides persons, Refreshment Team and Eucharistic Helpers today. Ask God to bless and protect all those involved in today's services. Give thanks for all those who give up their time to serve God at SMG, praise God for Mildred who does so much unseen preparation for Sunday services.**

Give thanks for the developing pastoral team, pray for guidance and understanding for all and ask God to lead others with a heart for this ministry to the team. Pray for the residents of Mounts Road. Pray for the community of Christ Church, Milton.

### **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July**

Pray for Carol as she visits Darrent Valley Hospital as part of her chaplaincy.

Pray for the all age ministry team meeting this evening. Ask Gods spirit to be upon all who attend and that they will know no boundaries in serving The Lord Jesus.

Pray for the Guides and ask God to be with them as they meet.

Pray for many helpers to come to the Garden Work Party in the Rectory Garden to prepare for the Garden Party on 19<sup>th</sup> July.

Pray for the residents of Kemsley Close.

Pray for the community of St Mary, Chalk.

### **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July**

Rejoice in the work of Sticky Fingers, praise The Lord Jesus for all the families past and present that have been served through this ministry.

Pray for Toni as she has her operation at Guy's today.

Ask for God's presence to be tangible at tonight's small group meeting at Ken and Jean's.

Pray for the residents of Valley View.

Pray for the community of St Mary, Wrotham Road.

### **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July**

Pray for The Place Community Cafe this morning. Ask God to use His people to sew seeds of hope and love into the community through this ministry. ***Matthew 9:37-38 He said to his disciples, "The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields."***

Give thanks for the volunteers from Asda coming to help tidy the Rectory garden on preparation for the Garden Party. Ask God that they may experience His love and touch their souls today.

Pray for Ken as he visits residents at Rosewood care home.

Ask God to be with the Brownies as they meet this evening.

Pray for those attending the prayer meeting this evening.

Pray for the residents of Cobham Terrace. Pray for the community of St Peter & St Paul, Swanscombe.

### **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July**

Give thanks for our Community wardens and pray for their safety as they go about their work in our community.

Pray for Toni as God builds her up in His Spirit as she steps into the Franciscan ministry.

Ask for God's spirit to be upon those at Small Group Meetings tonight.

Pray for the residents of Bean Road.

Pray for the community of St Mary, Greenhithe.

### **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July**

Thank you father for the safe return of Rod from Columbia and thank you for the time he was able to spend with the Children that he sponsors there; May Rod's visit to Columbia be of everlasting encouragement to those he sponsors.

Praise God for our Baby & Me group. Ask God to sew His seed of love and truth into the hearts of those who attend.

Pray for the residents of Cobham Close.

Pray for the community of The Salvation Army, Dartford.

### **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July**

Who Let The Dads Out? Meet this morning. Pray about how you may be able to volunteer to help out once in a while for any of our outreach groups.

Pray for General Synod who is meeting in York this weekend.

Pray in preparation for Monday's PCC meeting. Ask God to bring each member of the PCC before Him in prayer (see Mon 14<sup>th</sup>) and remove from them anything that prevents them from hearing God speak.

Pray for YO-YO and 2 Extreme as they meet this evening.

Pray for the residents of Breakneck Hill.

Pray for the community of St Peter & St Paul, Milton.

### **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July**

**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 the Readers, the Music Group, the Technicians, the Sides Persons, the Pray-ers and all involved with today's service's so that The Holy Spirit may reign in all truth and holiness.**

Pray for the Stride for life event that takes place at Darent Valley Hospital today.

Pray for the residents of Perkins Close.

Pray for the community of St Peter & St Paul, Shorne.

### **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July**

Pray for Carol as she visits Darrent Valley as part of her chaplaincy.

Pray for this evenings PCC meeting. Ask God to bless and instruct Andrew, Rod, Paul, Marion, Ken Gale, Margaret, Mike, Emeka, Emily, Jean, Mandy, Julia, Bisi and Carol in His ways giving them insight and wisdom into His will for SMG and Greenhithe.

Pray for Carol and Toni today as they attend a Franciscan local group meeting today. Ask God to give them His peace and rest.

Pray for the Guides and their families this evening.

Pray for the residents of Cowley Avenue.

Pray for the community of The Salvation Army, Gravesend.

### **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

Give thanks for those who help out at Sticky Fingers. Ask God to use them as a blessing to the parents/carers and children.

Pray for all those involved in the preparations for children's activities over the summer holidays. Pray for God's guidance in the organisation and planning of this.

Praise God for Small Group Meetings and those who lead them. Ask God which groups He would like you to be a part of so that you can fulfil the purpose He has for you. ***Proverbs 15:22 Plans go wrong for lack of advice; many counsellors bring success.***

Pray for the residents of Steel Avenue.

Pray for the community of Gravesend Methodist Church.

### **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July**

Bring The Place Community Cafe before the Lord in prayer today; thank Him for taking care of all that was needed to start it. Ask Him to continue in leading us in His will for the cafe and the community.

Pray for Ken as he visits residents at Rosewood care home.

Thank God for the Brownies and their leaders.

Pray for the residents of Low Close.

Pray for the community of Churches together in Ebbsfleet.

### **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July**

Praise God for Small Group Meetings this evening; ask that his Holy Spirit will be tangible within the groups tonight. ***1 Thessalonians 5:19-22 do not stifle the Holy Spirit. Do not scoff at prophecies, but test everything that is said. Hold on to what is good. Stay away from every kind of evil.***

Give Thanks to our heavenly father for the gift our children. Ask God to help us protect them from the negative impact that the world of media and advertising can have upon them.

Pray for the residents of Sayer Close.

Pray for the community of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Gravesend.

### **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

Pray for the parents/carers who attend Baby & Me. Ask God to give insight to those who help at the group so that any needs parents have can be met by the church.

Naomi's son Lewis graduates from Portsmouth University today. Pray for the family today and ask God to bless them richly.

Pray for the residents of King Edward Road.

Pray for the community of Churches together in Gravesend.

### **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July**

Praise God Who Let the Dads Out? Pray for Ben and his team, ask God to sustain and uphold them.

Give thanks for those taking part in the co-op charity car wash fundraiser for Great Ormand Street Hospital this morning. Ask God to touch them as they fundraise for this great cause.

Pray for the Garden Party at The Rectory this afternoon.

Pray for the residents of Castle Street.

Pray for the community of Riverview Baptist, Gravesend.

### **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

**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 Minister, the Readers, the Music Group, the Technicians, the Sides Persons, the Prayers and all involved with today's service's so that The Holy Spirit may reign in all truth and holiness.**

Pray for the Dartford District Beaver Bronze awards which are taking place in church at 3pm. This is the highest award for a beaver to get before moving on to cubs.

Pray for the residents of Ivy Villas.

Pray for the community of City Praise Centre, Gravesend.

### **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July**

Pray for Carol as she visits Darent Valley as part of her chaplaincy.

Pray for this evenings Ministry team meeting.

Give thanks for the year 5 and 6 children coming into church for their end of year celebration. Ask God to draw close to each of them. Pray especially for the year 6's who will be starting Secondary school next term.

Pray for the residents of Hill Crest Drive.

Pray for the community of Holy Trinity Church, Dartford.

### **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

Pray for the parents and children who attend Sticky Fingers. Ask God to give parents patience as the Children breakup from school and activities. As Knockhall and other schools break up for the summer pray for God's protection over all children and young people. Keep them in your prayers throughout the summer holidays.

Pray for the residents of Station Road.

Pray for the community of Swanscombe Methodist Church.

### **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July**

The Place Community Cafe

Pray for Ken as he visits residents at Rosewood care home.

July Pray for the Commonwealth Games which begin in Glasgow today until the 3<sup>rd</sup> of August.

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

Pray for the residents of London Road.

Pray for the community of Christ Apostolic Church, Swanscombe.

### **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July**

Pray for Chris and Lucy's home group and ask God to lead individuals into other home groups or to raise up another leader to take the existing group.

Pray for the teachers and staff at Knockhall School. Ask God to show them how to meet the needs of the pupils during their time in special measures.

Pray for the residents of Sara Crescent.

Pray for the community of St Albans Church, Dartford.

### **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July**

Pray for the parents and children who attend Baby & Me. Ask God to give those who help at our regular family groups rest and refreshment during the summer.

Pray for Chris, Lucy and family. Thank God for their fellowship and ministry; ask that He will continue to bless each of them and protect them as they move to North Wales.

Pray for the residents of Woodland Way.

Pray for the community of Northfleet United Reformed Church.

### **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> July**

As Who Let The Dads Out? Break up for summer. Pray for parents as they face the long summer holiday.

Give Thanks to God for Sister Penny who has now joined us permanently.

Pray that she may continue to settle in to her new home and that God will richly bless her in her ministry among us and the wider community.

Pray for YO-YO and 2 Extreme as they meet this evening.

Pray for the residents of Quay Lane.

Pray for the community of Our Lady of the Assumption R C Church, Northfleet.

### **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July**

**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 Minister, the Readers, the Music Group, the Technicians, the Sides Persons, the Prayers and all involved with today's service's so that The Holy Spirit may reign in all truth and holiness.**

Pray for the residents of Admirals Walk.

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

### **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> July**

Pray for Carol as she visits Darent Valley as part of her chaplaincy.

Give thanks and praise for a recent successful funding bid of £5000 for the TLC team and continue to pray for future provision to enable their work to continue. Please pray for all those who have roles and responsibilities within TLC that God may guide them in how they can best serve in the coming year.

Pray for Andrew and Carol as they Chaplain at Asda.

Pray for the residents of Smugglers Walk.

Pray for the community of St Mary, Stone.

### **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> July**

Pray for God's guidance on how we can raise funds for the church roof.

With Small Group Meetings in mind pray for Gretel and Emeka as they take on co-ordinating; ask God to give them wisdom.

Pray for the residents of Eagles Road.

Pray for the community of Pray for the community of St Aiden, Gravesend.

### **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July**

Keep The Place Community Cafe in prayer and ask God to bring many helpers over the summer holidays. Ask Him to bless all those who use the cafe during the break and that they will witness God's love in action.

Pray for safety on our church site, the Rectory, grounds and car park, the hall and all those who use it. Pray for the completion of the car park area, and for the funds needed to accomplish this.

Pray for Ken as he visits residents at Rosewood care home.

Pray for the residents of High Street.

Pray for the community of Huggens College, Northfleet.

### **Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> July**

Pray for all those who are preparing to spend next week at the New Wine event in Somerset. Ask God to send His Holy Spirit upon the event and that they may experience the wonderfulness of our Dear Lord Jesus in way's never thought imaginable.

Pray for the residents of Beaton Close.

Pray for the community of Pray for the community of St Aiden, Gravesend.