

# St Mary Greenhithe

Prayer meeting dates:

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November in the prayer room at the Rectory 8.30.

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November in the prayer room at the Rectory 8.30.

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December in the prayer room at the Rectory 8.30.

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.

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



**Happy 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday!**

**November Prayer Diary 2014**

## Happy 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday to the Prayer Diary!

It's hard to believe that a year has passed since the first edition back in October 2013.

Looking back to what we were praying for in October and November last year we can see many prayers answered, we were covering our outreach groups in prayer and asking for a lot of protection against evil. We were praying for the safety of the staff and shoppers at Bluewater and the Dartford Crossings as the threat of terrorism increased in the run up to Christmas.

Thank you to every one who uses the diary, God is faithful to answer the prayers of his church. He is truly amazing and all powerful; when we trust in Him alone He will work miracles and wonders in us and through us. Praise be to God!

If you have a prayer need please do not hesitate to let us know and we will gladly put it in the diary. If you do not wish to be named we can leave it out. The prayer can be for anything that concerns you.

As from January 2015 we will endeavour to pray for all those on the Electoral Role. If you do not wish to be prayed for please let Julie, Naomi or myself know. If we do not hear otherwise you will automatically appear in the Prayer Diary at some time during the year.

### Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November

**Today is All Saints Day. Psalm 24:1-6. (NLT)**

***The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it.***

***The world and all its people belong to him.***

**<sup>2</sup> For he laid the earth's foundation on the seas and built it on the ocean depths.**

**<sup>3</sup> Who may climb the mountain of the LORD?**

***Who may stand in his holy place?***

**<sup>4</sup> Only those whose hands and hearts are pure, who do not worship idols and never tell lies.**

**<sup>5</sup> They will receive the LORD's blessing and have a right relationship with God their saviour.**

**<sup>6</sup> Such people may seek you and worship in your presence, O God of Jacob**

Praise God for all saints, past present and future.

Give thanks for Who Let the Dads Out? And ask God to bless all those attending.

Pray for this evening's Light Party. Ask God to touch hearts and souls as people meet together in church.

Pray for the residents of St Clements Road.

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

### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

**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, 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.**

"Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted" Matthew 5:4

pray for those who attend the memorial service this evening may they know God's peace and presence in their lives.

Pray for the residents of Barge Court.

Pray for the community of Pray for the community of St Aiden, Gravesend. *Lusa and Mirjan Nsenga-Ngoy*

### Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Pray for the finances to allow repairs to the church roof.

Pray for Blossom care home residents and staff.

As Firework night approaches pray for protection for all those using and watching them.

Thank God for the Guides and ask Him to keep them in His perfect peace and protection as they meet.

Pray for the residents of Portland Place.

Pray for the community of Huggens College, Northfleet. *Ted and Liz Goodyear*

#### **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November**

Give thanks for Carol who is at college today. Ask God to speak deep within her soul today and to touch her in a way that she could never have imagined.

Praise God Sticky Fingers, Mandy and the team. Ask Him to bless all who attend and to start a work in those who do not already know Him.

Praise God for our Small Cell Group Meetings taking place at Jean and Ken's and at Gretel and Emeka houses tonight. Ask God speak directly into the hearts and minds of those attending.

Pray for the residents of Palladian Circus.

Pray for the community of All Saints, Perry Street.

#### **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November**

Praise God for the ministry Ken has at Rosewood. Ask God to use Ken to display His likeness and love to those who are confused and infirm. Give thanks for the management and staff and ask God to lead them in His perfect way.

Thank God for The Place Community Cafe and all who contribute to its success. Thank God for those who bake, set up, set down, serve, wash up, listen and talk to those who come. Praise be to God for great things He has done!

Praise God for the Brownies. Ask Him to keep them in His perfect peace and protection as they meet.

Pray for the residents of Park Cliff Road.

Pray for the community of Holy Family, Gravesend. *Richard and Gill Martin*

#### **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November**

Pray for the residents and staff of Haslington house.

Pray for the protection of staff and shoppers at Bluewater as Christmas approaches. Pray against terrorist acts and ask that God will help all become more vigilant to the risks and thwart the plans of the devil.

Thank God for the Small Cell Group Meeting lead by Mandy this evening.

Ask God to speak directly into the hearts and minds of those attending.

Pray for the residents of Empire Walk.

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

#### **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November**

Pray for Deborah and Alex as they prepare to marry in church tomorrow.

Pray Gods protection over Andrew, give thanks for his ministry.

Give thanks to God for Baby & Me. Ask God to bless all who use the group and to start working in the hearts of those who do not yet know Him.

Pray for the music group and sound team as they rehearse this evening.

Pray for the residents of Duncannon Place.

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

#### **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

Praise God for Ben and the team at Who Let the Dads Out?

Deborah and Alex are to be married in church this afternoon. Thank God for the unity of their wedding and ask Him to bless them abundantly in love and all things good.

Pray for the team of people organising the tea party in celebration of the marriage of Deborah and Alex.

Pray for good weather for the Firework Party at the Rectory. Ask God to keep all safe from the dangers of fireworks and that it'll be a good time of fellowship.

Pray for the residents of Vaughn Avenue.

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

### **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November**

**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, 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.**

**Today marks Remembrance Sunday. John 15:13-14.**

***'No one has greater love than this, than to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends,' says the Lord, 'if you do what I command you.'***

O God, our ruler and guide,

In whose hands are the destinies of this and every nation,

We give you thanks for the freedoms we enjoy in this land

And for those who laid down their lives to defend them:

We pray that we and all the people of the UK,

Gratefully remembering their courage and their sacrifice,

May have the grace to live in a spirit of justice, of generosity, and of peace;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,

Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

One God, for ever and ever. Amen

Pray for the residents of Clovelly Place.

Pray for the community of Christ Church, Milton. *Sue and Jeremy Brewer, Jacqueline Littlewood and Jo Drew*

### **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November**

Thank God for our church council and it's members; Rev. Andrew Avery (Chairman), Rod Long (Warden), Paul White (Warden), Marion Lane (Secretary), Ken Gale (Deanery Synod), Margaret Bobby (Deanery Synod), Emeka Ikediashi, Emily Lane-Blackwell, Jean Gale, Mandy Holloway, Julia Rowell, Bisi Ogunbanbi (Treasurer), and Carol Avery. Lift the PCC meeting in prayer and ask that God's will be done in all.

Thank God for Naomi and ask Him to draw close to her in all she does.

Ask God to protect the Guides as they meet this evening. Ask Him to draw close to those who do not yet recognise their need for Him.

Pray for the residents of Lovers Lane.

Pray for the community of St Mary, Chalk. *Nigel & Sue Bourne, Chris and Anna Kilgour*

### **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November**

Today marks Armistice Day.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

we will remember them.

From Laurence Binyon's poem *For the Fallen*, written in September 1914.

Pray for those who have fallen fighting for our rights and given their lives

for our freedom. Pray for those who serve in the Armed Forces and ask

God to protect them physically, mentally and spiritually.

Pray for Carol at college today. Ask God to bless her as she studies.

Pray God's blessings on Sticky Fingers as they meet this morning.

Ask God's presence to be upon the Small Cell Group Meetings at the homes of the Gale's and Ikediashi's.

Pray for the residents of Reed Court.

Pray for the community of St Mary, Wrotham Road. *Trudi Oliver*

### **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

Pray for Ken as he visits Rosewood today. Pray for the families of those who are resident at the home.

Pray for all who attend The Place Community Cafe today. Ask God to meet the needs of individuals who come.

Pray for the Brownies and their leaders. Thank God for the servitude that Jude has given the group over the past 21 years.

Pray for the residents of Knockhall Road.

Pray for the community of St Peter & St Paul, Swanscombe. *Mark and Barbara Hurley*

### **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

Praise God for the food bank at the Rainbow centre Northfleet and ask Him to bless all that have cause to use it.

Pray God's protection over the Dartford Crossings Pray against terrorist acts and ask that God will help all become more vigilant to the risks and thwart the plans of the devil.

Ask God's presence to be upon the Small Cell Group Meeting lead by Mandy this evening.

Pray for the residents of Ingress Gardens.

Pray for the community of St Mary, Greenhithe. *Andrew and Carol Avery, and Sister Penny*

### **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November**

#### **Micah 7:18-19 (NLT)**

Where is another God like you,

who pardons the guilt of the remnant,  
overlooking the sins of his special people?

You will not stay angry with your people forever,  
because you delight in showing unfailing love.

Once again you will have compassion on us.

You will trample our sins under your feet  
and throw them into the depths of the ocean!

Praise God for He is good and above all things. Thank Him for our redemption found through Christ.

Pray for those whose children have become too old to attend Baby & Me and ask God to lead them to other groups such as Sticky Fingers and that they will know God's presence.

Pray for the music group and sound team as they rehearse this evening.

Pray for the residents of Wakefield Road.

Pray for the community of The Salvation Army, Dartford. *Graeme and Zoe Smith*

### **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

Pray that God will be glorified at Who Let the Dads Out? Ask him to show his awesome power to those who are seeking Him.

Praise God for the two groups for youth, Yo-Yo and 2 Extreme. Ask Him to start working in the hearts and minds of these young people so they are able to recognise and accept Jesus into their lives as their personal saviour.

Pray for the residents of Alexander Road.

Pray for the community of St Peter & St Paul, Milton. *Graham and Linda Herbert*

### **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November**

**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 our government and Prime Minister David Cameron. Ask that he will serve in all goodness and fairness.

Pray for the residents of Abbey Road.

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

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

**Matthew 6:14- (NLT)**

***If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. But if you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins.***

Ask God to reveal any offence you may have committed against your neighbour and repent by making things right. Ask God to help you forgive those who have offended you in the past.

Pray for the Guide leaders today, thank God for the service they give to the community through their leadership.

Pray for the Ministry Team meeting this evening. Ask God to remain at the centre of all discussions and decisions.

Pray for the residents of Eynsford Road.

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

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

Give thanks for Sister Penny and pray God's protection over her and her ministry.

Pray for Carol as she attends college today.

Pray for those who help to run Sticky Fingers.

Pray for the Small Cell Group Meetings at the homes of the Gale's and Ikediashi's. Ask God to lead all discussions and bless the two groups.

Pray for the residents of Knockhall Chase.

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

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November**

Thank God for Ken as he visits Rosewood. Ask God to sustain him as he seeks to further the gospel of Christ in this place.

Praise God for the Place Community Cafe. Lift all who attend in prayer and ask God to draw close to those who are lonely or in need.

Ask God to protect the Brownies as they meet this evening.

Pray for the residents of The Crescent.

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

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November**

**Matthew 6:9-15 (NLT)**

***Pray like this:***

***Our Father in heaven,***

***may your name be kept holy.***

***May your Kingdom come soon.***

***May your will be done on earth,***

***as it is in heaven.***

***Give us today the food we need,***

***and forgive us our sins,***

***as we have forgiven those who sin against us.***

***And don't let us yield to temptation,***

***but rescue us from the evil one.***

***"If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. But if you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins.***

Pray for the Small Cell Group Meeting lead by Mandy. Ask God to lead all discussions and bless the group.

Pray for the residents of Park Terrace.

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

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November**

Pray for those who have not been in church of late. Ask God to prompt us to make any necessary contact with those who are discontented or disconnected.

Thank God for all who use Baby & Me. Ask God to work in the hearts of those who come, so they will come to know Jesus as their saviour.

Pray for the music group and sound team as they rehearse this evening.

Pray for the residents of Jubilee Close.

Pray for the community of Churches together in Gravesend.

### **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

**Matthew 25:34-40 (ESV)**

*Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'*

Thank God for Who Let the Dads Out? Ask God to protect all who use the group.

Thank God for our Christmas Fayre in church and the hall. Ask him to bring many to the event to meet with Him. Pray that we as the church will demonstrate good hospitality and welcoming to all.

Pray for the residents of Austen Close.

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

### **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**

**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, 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.**

The Lord is my strength and my song and has become my salvation"

Psalms 118 : 14 Give thanks and Pray for all those who will be confirmed in church this evening.

Pray for the residents of Lane Avenue.

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

### **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November**

**16 days of Activism against Gender Violence is a global campaign to increase awareness of violence against women. It begins tomorrow and ends on 10<sup>th</sup> December which coincides with International Human Rights Day. The prayers used for this have been taken from The Mothers Union 16 days of Activism pack and appear in italics\***

Pray for the Pastoral team meeting this evening. Ask God to bring fresh approaches to our pastoral care.

Pray God's protection over the Guides and their families.

Pray for the residents of Spring Vale.

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

### **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November**

Today marks the INTERNATIONAL DAY OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN.

*\*Creator god, thank you that we are all made in your image and equally loved by you. Open our eyes to see your face in those of our sisters and brothers.*

Thank God for Carol's college place at St Mellitus. Pray for those who lecture there and ask that God will always remain at the centre of it all.

Pray for the parents who use Sticky Fingers. Ask God to give them patience as the children become excited in the run up to Christmas.

Praise God for our Small Cell Group leaders, Ken and Jean and Emeka and Gretel. Thank Him for their response to His calling by giving up their homes to meet with others and draw closer to God.

Pray for the residents of Starboard Avenue.

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

### **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November**

*\* God of peace, protect us from violence entering our hearts. Give us strength to reject it and instead commit to loving relationships.*

Pray for Ken as he visits at Rosewood. Pray for the management and thank God for their willingness for him to minister there.  
Praise God for the Place Community Cafe. Ask God to lead those in need to us and empower us to help them.  
Ask God to bless the Brownies and their families. Thank God for their leaders.  
Pray for the residents of Port Avenue.  
Pray for the community of Christ Apostolic Church, Swanscombe.

#### **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November**

*\* Almighty God send your spirit to counter influence the desire to commit violence against women and girls.*  
Give thanks for the Royal British Legion in Greenhithe and ask God to bless all there. Thank God for all who serve our country so that we may know peace.  
Praise God for our Small Cell Group leader Mandy and for Jen and Ben who give up there home to meet with others and draw closer to God.  
Pray for the residents of Mounts Road.  
Pray for the community of St Albans Church, Dartford.

#### **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November**

*\* Heavenly father, move amongst the earth to change attitudes that promote, accept and perpetuate all forms of gender based violence.*  
Pray for Chris, Lucy and family. Thank God for His faithfulness to them.  
Ask God to be at the centre of Baby & Me. Ask for his presence to be felt in that place today.  
Pray for the music group and sound team as they rehearse this evening.  
Pray for the residents of Kemsley Close.  
Pray for the community of Northfleet United Reformed Church.

#### **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

INTERNATIONAL WOMENS HUMAN RIGHT DEFENDERS *\*Spirit of God , give women and girls experiencing all forms of violence the courage , hope, comfort and the way to break free from their abuse.*  
Pray for those who have used Who Let the Dads Out? In the past but no longer attend. Ask God to draw them to His side and bless them.  
Thank God for our youth and the groups available to them Yo-Yo and 2 Extreme. Ask Him to reveal more and more to them about His character and unfailing love. Ask Him to protect our young from a world of lust and immorality.  
Pray for the residents of Valley View.  
Pray for the community of Our Lady of the Assumption R C Church, Northfleet. *Father Robert Ellis*

#### **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November**

Today marks the feast of St Andrew the apostle. "And he said unto them, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men" Matthew 4: 19 (king James 2000 bible)  
*\* Father God, protect children who witness violence in their homes. May they have the support to lead positive lives without fear.*  
**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 the residents of Cobham Terrace.  
Pray for the community of RCCG - City of His Grace, Northfleet.