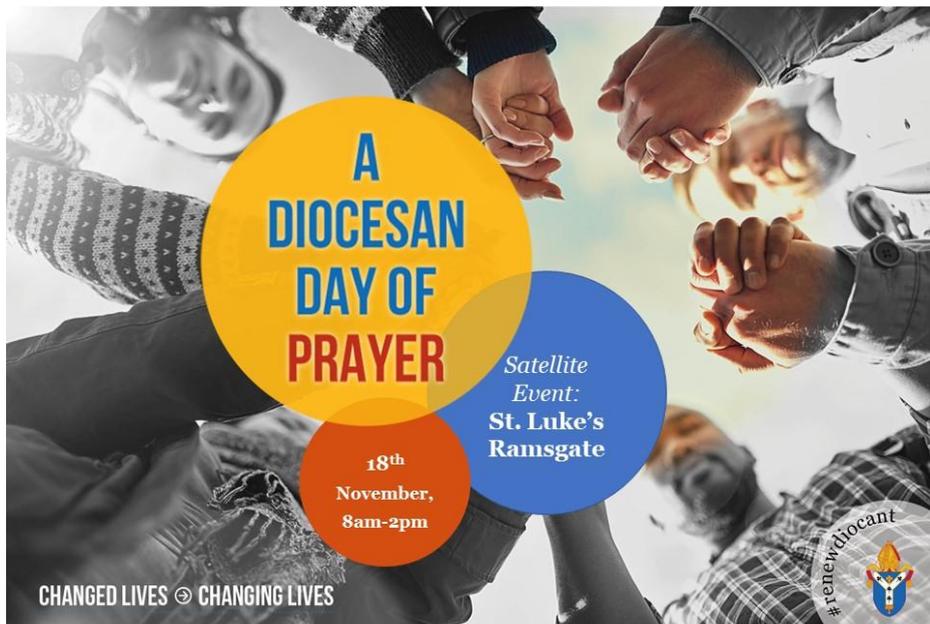


Prayer Day Guide

Saturday 18th November 2017



...with Prayer Space...All Welcome

**St. Luke's Church,
Ramsgate
8:00am-12:30pm**

"...be transformed by the renewing of your mind." Romans 12:8

Introduction:

Our Prayer Day this year links in with the Diocesan Day of Prayer. Whilst the main event is at St. Mary's in Faversham, there are a number of Satellite events happening around the Diocese of which St. Luke's is just one. The Church will be open from 8am to 2pm.

During this time there will be a **Prayer Space** set up in the Church. Anyone can come at any point and make use of this interactive space for as long as they like. It is ideal for children and adults alike. Thanks to Trevor Clarke for installing this for us.

You can also join us for as many of the **half-hour slots** for the day as you like. Each slot has a theme which is listed below:

08:00-08:30	Discipleship at St. Luke's
08:30-09:00	Service and Generosity at St. Luke's
09:00-09:30	World Mission
09:30-10:00	Local Christian Support for the Poor
10:00-10:30	Local Schools and Christmas Unwrapped
10:30-11:00	Outreach to Children and Young People
11:00-11:30	Ramsgate Town and Churches
11:30-12:00	Outreach to Adults
12:00-12:30	Praise and Thanksgiving
12:30	Lunch

8:00am Discipleship at St. Luke's

Meditation: Romans 12:1-8

- a. *What key themes strike you from the passage.*
- b. *What prayers of thanksgiving does this prompt?*
- c. *What prayers of confession does this prompt?*
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Prayer Focus:

Sunday Services:

- Give thanks for the growth in people coming to our Sunday Services.
- Pray that new people will find them accessible and enjoyable and will make friends with present members and be captivated by Christ through what they learn.
- Pray that they may continue to comfort, encourage and challenge Christians of all maturity levels, that through the teaching of the Bible and worship we may renewed in our minds.
- Pray that all we do is centred on God and faithful to his word.

Growth Teams:

- Give thanks for the leaders and hosts who make these teams possible.
- Pray for continuing growth in fellowship and discipleship for all.
- Pray for the three teams: Wednesday morning, Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning.

Explore Groups:

- Give thanks for these two new groups and the Leaders and Co-leaders who have helped to set them up.
- Pray for all who attend that as they do the Life Explored course together they may be drawn to seek salvation in Christ alone.
- Pray for the future development of these groups and for more people to benefit.

End: There will be space to briefly share any specific needs that you want to pray for.

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8:30am **Service and Generosity at St. Luke's**

Meditation: Ephesians 1:15-21

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- b. *What prayers of thanksgiving does this prompt?*
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Prayer Focus:

Volunteers:

- Give thanks for all the volunteers at St. Luke's.
- Give thanks for a new clearer recruitment scheme.
- Pray that as people volunteer they will grow in faith.
- Pray for volunteers to be: Godly, Enthusiastic, Equipped, Reliable and Safe.
- Pray for roles to be filled where there are vacancies, especially key leadership roles.

Finance:

- Give thanks for the incredible generosity of people at St. Luke's over the last year and that we met our target to raise an extra £30,000 during the year.
- Give thanks for savings and pray for wisdom for the PCC that we would be good stewards of the finances.
- Pray that people would respond generously to the request for increased planned giving for 2018.

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9:00am **World Mission**

Meditation: Psalm 51

- a. *What key themes strike you from the passage.*
- b. *What prayers of thanksgiving does this prompt?*
- c. *What prayers of confession does this prompt?*
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Prayer Focus:

Please pray for all **World Mission Links**, including:

Dick and Caroline Seed (CMS) Tearfund

Thanet Centre of Mission Compassion

Greg and Sylvia Venables CPAS

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9:30am Local Christian Support for the Poor

Meditation: Mark 12:1-11

- a. *What key themes strike you from the passage.*
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Prayer Focus:

Thanet Food Link (Food Bank): Please pray...

- for donations of food to continue to be given to meet the need in Thanet
- that food parcels would help people know they are loved and keep them fed during their time of crisis
- for the volunteers who give up their time to make it all happen

Street Pastors: Please pray for...

- more volunteers so we can get bigger teams out and go out more often.
- more funding for training and for the licence of the radios £700 a yr (safety partnership won't pay it anymore).
- more regular prayer groups praying while we are out ideally in the hub but if necessary at home.

Thanet Winter Shelter: Please pray...

- for the current homeless people on our streets whilst we await the opening of the winter shelter, that they will be safe.
- for the partner agencies involved, that they are granted wisdom and that their resources stretch to support all of those in need and that all non-faith volunteers and guests will see the glory of God through our loving example
- that we will be blessed with additional funding to support the shelter, that current bids submitted are granted and future funding is secured

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10:00am **Schools and Christmas Unwrapped**

Meditation: Exodus 17:1-7

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Prayer Focus:

Please pray for all **Local Schools**, including:

Newlands
St. Ethelbert's
Holy Trinity Ramsgate
St. Lawrence College

St. George's
Chatham and Clarendon
Dane Court
Royal Harbour

Christmas Unwrapped:

- For Maggie Paddison as she pulls together the co-ordination across Thanet and the printing of booklets.
- For churches running it for the first time.
- For St. Luke's running it with Newlands, St. Ethelbert's and St. Lawrence on 30th November.
- That the Year 6 pupils who come will be pointed to the wonder of who Jesus is.

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10:30am Outreach to Children and Young People

Meditation: James 4:1-10

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Prayer Focus:

Sunday Club / Sparklers / Pathfinders

- Give thanks for the large number of children who attend St. Luke's
- Give thanks for the good size team of volunteers who teach the young people week in week out.
- Pray for growth and development of the young people that they will grow up strong in faith and passionate for Christ.
- Pray that we can find someone who is willing and able to take on the overall leadership role of Sunday Club.

Play and Praise:

Fusion:

- That the older members would continue to be engaged and that we would be able to provide them with a relevant group.
- That it continues to grow and that new young people are welcomed and integrate well with the group and learn about Jesus.
- That the leaders can continue to be enthused and relate well with the youngsters well and share Jesus with them.
- That we can reach out to the families of the Fusion members.

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11:00am Ramsgate Town and Churches

Meditation: 1 Corinthians 3:5-17

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Prayer Focus:

Ramsgate Town

- Prayer for all Ramsgate residents
- Prayer for all the homeless people during the winter months and the elderly and those that need care
- Prayer for all the Fisherman and Sailors that use our Royal Harbour and surrounding waters are kept safe

Please pray for all the **Ramsgate Churches**, including:

St. Laurence
St. Christopher
St. Mary, Cliffsend
St. Catherine, Manston
St. Mark's
Holy Trinity
St. George
Christ Church
St. Luke's

St. Ethelbert's
Salvation Army
Hardres Street United Church
Newington Free
Community Church Ramsgate
King's Church

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11:30am Outreach to Adults

Meditation: Luke 14:15-24

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Prayer Focus:

Tuesday Friendship Club:

- Pray for some of the members who are struggling with ill health.
- Pray for wisdom, strength and discernment for the three leaders: Fay, Pauline and Jean.
- Pray that more people from the community will be welcomed and that through friendships at the group that they hear and embrace the gospel.

Men's Film 'n' Chippy:

- Pray for wisdom to choose the best films and that the post film discussion would be fruitful in God's sight and draw people closer to him.
- Pray for a third leader for the group.
- Pray that it will enable outreach to more men.

Christmas Services and Publicity:

- Pray for the publicity to be fully delivered and to have an impact.
- Pray that people will join us in large numbers to celebrate.
- Pray that we may proclaim the good news clearly and that people will respond.

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12:00am Praise and Thanksgiving

Meditation: 1 Thessalonians 5:12-24

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Prayer Focus: Thanksgiving

- Give thanks for who God is and what he has done for us.
- Give thanks for what God has done at St. Luke's in 2017.
- Give thanks for all that God has done in our personal lives.
- Sing some songs of praise.

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Thank You
to all who have joined with us
to pray today.

Do join us
for lunch
at 12:30pm.

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