Prayers for July 2021

Praying for the Kingdom:
Holy Spirit, flame of unstinting love,
Warm our hearts and sooth our pains through this journey of pandemic.
Stay our fears and renew our joy,
That we may be eager to share our faith
And energised to reach for hope. Amen.

- 1. In this Pentecost season and at the start of a new month, we pray that the Lord will continue to strengthen our faith and help us to set our hearts on the treasures of your eternal Kingdom. Amen. We pray for all who live in Conghurst Lane, Risden, Foxhole Lane. In our Deanery, we pray for the parish of Headcorn and The Suttons, and the Vicar, Revd Fiona Haskett.
- 2. We pray for the transition phase out of lockdown, and the uncertainty of when it will be we pray for care and discernment as we decide in our churches what we pick up and what we do in different ways. Amen. We remember in prayer today those who live in Cowden Lane and Horns Road.
- 3. **The Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle and Martyr.** We that God will continue to use us despite any doubts we may have. We pray for the people living in Delmonden Lane, and North Hill Road, and remember the parishes of Etchingham and Hurst Green.
- 4. *On this Feast Day of St. Elizabeth of Portugal* we pray for those closest to us who do not always understand our calling and mission. We pray for the ministry in and from the St Laurence Parish Office. We pray for all living in Red Oak and Hensil Lane.
- 5. Lord, as we emerge with eased restrictions, we pray that our church communities will reach out in fresh ways with new mission opportunities to friends old and new. Amen. Bless all the doctors, nurses and staff who work at Benenden Hospital and the Hawkhurst Cottage Hospital. We pray for families who live on The Moor and in The Chestnuts.
- 6. As families emerge into a new freedom, we pray your Blessing dear God, that they have space and time together to flourish. Amen. We pray for all shops and businesses in the High Street, and in our village. We pray for all living on Horns Corner and Horns Hill.
- 7. Gracious God, you are our hope and future, we ask that you continue to provide both practical and spiritual well-being to all families as they get together again. Amen. We pray for all living on Moor Hill, Talbot Road and The Hawthorns; Stream Lane and Hastings Road. Bless and guide the Queen and all members of the Royal family.
- 8. Holy Spirit, flow between us as we seek to grow into ever more loving, welcoming communities of faith. Amen. We remember in our prayers all living in All Saints Road, Smugglers, Smugglers Mews and Dickens Way.

- 9. Holy Spirit, gift wisdom and creativity to those co-ordinating healthcare and vaccination programmes in nations hardest-hit by Covid. Amen. We pray for the parishioners of Trinity Church, Sissinghurst and with St Mary's Frittenden and the Vicar, Revd. Pete Deaves.
- 10. Holy Spirit, disrupt our preconceptions and thrill our hearts as you reveal to us where you are already at work. Amen. We pray for the families living in Barretts Road and Heartenoak Road.
- 11. On this Feast Day of St. Benedict of Nursia, we pray for the Benedictine Community throughout the world. We give thanks and praise for all who offer friendships and generosity to communities in need, and pray that this outreach of God's people will continually remind us of God's love for all. Amen. We pray for all who live in Tongswood Drive and Whites Lane and for the parish of Goudhurst and Kilndown, and the Vicar Revd. Rachel Robertson.
- 12. Loving God, you made each one of us in your image, equally precious in your sight as your children. Thank You. Amen. We pray for all who live in Cranbrook Road and Sandrock Cottages. We pray for the parish of Cranbrook and the Vicar Revd Ann Pollington.
- 13. Holy Spirit, help us to decide, today, in this moment, to strive for Holiness. Amen. Bless and guide those living in Fairview and Northgrove Road. We pray for all who worship in the Parish of Marden and the Vicar, Revd. Nicola Harvey.
- 14. Holy Spirit, give us strength to choose to be Holy each moment of our lives, for it is a choice. Amen.. We pray for those living in Gills Green and Wellington Cottages, Tubs Lake and those living in Bedgebury. We pray for all members of the Methodist Fellowship in Hawkhurst.
- 15. Holy Spirit, help us to be consecrated, or set aside, for your purposes; to worship and glorify your name. Amen. We pray for all who worship and serve in the Roman Catholic Church of St Barnabas and for Father Vic McClean. Bless those living in Gingerbread Lane and The High Street.
- 16. **The Feast day of st. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor.** Holy Spirit, may we never cease to strive for your kingdom values of humility and holiness of life where all receive dignity and care. Amen. We pray for those living in Gunther Court, Hartnokes and Basden Cottages, and also for the parishes of Ticehurst and Flimwell and the Vicar Rev Ashley Evans.
- 17. Son of Man, who had no place to lay his head, we pray for all living on our streets, and those who are released from prison into homelessness. In your mercy, Amen. We pray for those who live in Copthall Avenue, Fieldways and Church Walk. We pray for all who worship in the Baptist Church in our village, and for the Minister Revd. Ben Gotts and his family.
- 18. Holy Spirit, we pray for all who have fled broken homes or other adversity, and those who do not have enough to eat. Amen. We pray for all who live in Mercers, Lorenden Park and Highgate Hill, and Herschel Place

- 19. Holy Spirt, bless people living in poverty by providing ways to learn to read and apply this new skill to help lift their families out of poverty. Amen. We pray for all the schools in our village, for the Headteachers, Staff and pupils and in particular for the Hawkhurst Church of England Primary School. We pray for all those living in Murton-Neale Close and Camerons. We also pray for all living in Oakfield and Theobalds.
- 20. Today we pray for all those who have to flee from homes, families and countries due to oppression, fear, violence, climate change or any other reason. Amen. We pray for all living on Slip-mill Lane, Slipmill Road and Sobers Lane. Pray for the parishes of Ewhurst and Bodiam and the Rector Canon Christopher Irvine.
- 21. We give thanks for all working in our diocese, cathedral and churches who help those seeking asylum. Lord Jesus, born as a refugee, be with those who are forced from their homelands. Amen. We pray for all living in the area of Queens Road, Park Cottages and Dunlop Court.
- 22. The Feast Day of St. Mary Magdalene, Witness of the Resurrection. We pray for all Community Meal schemes, Food Banks, Soup Kitchens and for all who provide companionship and support to those people who need it. Amen. We pray for those who live in Copthall Avenue, Fieldways and Church Walk.
- 23. **Feast Day of St. Bridget of Sweden, Religious Foundress.** Help us to remember that faith as small as a mustard seed is all it takes; and in knowing this, strengthen our willingness to pray for all our brothers and sisters, so that they who are prayed for in their arenas of grace, will come to know you in all your glory. Amen. We pray for all living in Queens Close and Hammonds.
- 24. Faith is a gift from you, Lord; an eternal promise. Help us to truly believe and not question. Amen. We bring to you in our prayers today, all living in Western Road and School Terrace, Rye Road and Highfield Close. We pray for the parish of Staplehurst, and the Vicar Revd Silka Tezlaff.
- 25. **The Feast Day of St. James, Apostle.** Holy God, you speak through your apostles, your Church, and your Word. We must truly believe and know that you do not make false promises. Amen. We pray for all living in Oaklands Road and Tates. We pray for all living in Winchester Road, Woodbury Road and Vale Road.
- 26. **The Feast Day of St. Joachim and St. Ann, Parents of Mary.** We pray for all unknown to us who help for Christ's coming in the lives of others. We keep in prayer those living in, Ockley Road, Barretts Green and Norris Close.
- 27. Faith is our mainstay, our rock. In times of trial keep us on your path, O Lord. We pray for all living in Attwater Lane and Potters Lane. We pray for Revd. David Commander, Rector of the Benefice of Benenden and Sandhurst, and Revd. Ylva Blid-Mackenzie, the Parish Deacon and all the parishioners.
- 28. In this Pentecost season, follow the leading of the Holy Spirt and pray words of blessing wherever you find yourself, then see what the Spirit does next. Dear Lord, Faith, Hope and Charity; a gift, a promise and an expectation; all from you. Amen. We pray today for all living in Herschel Place, Woodham Close, Birchfield Grove and all new homes in our village. We keep in prayer the residents of Water Lane and Gun Green.

- 29. **The Feast Day of St. Martha, Sister of Lazarus and Mary.** We pray for all who serve Christ in others in practical and down to earth ways. We pray for all all homemakers and for all those actively engaged in the service of the needy.
- 30. We continue to pray for Your Church to follow God's leading as we learn to be salt and light to our communities at this particular time. We pray for Justin Welby, our Archbishop, Right Reverend Rose Hudson-Wilkin, the Bishop of Dover and Stephen, Archdeacon and acting Diocesan Secretary, Andrew, Archdeacon of Maidstone. We pray for the work and ministry of the Anglican Consultative Council.
- We give thanks that we are able to worship together in church, and for our growing community online. Amen. We pray for our Vicar and Area Dean of the Weald Deanery, Fr Rodney Dreyer and his family. We also pray for our Churchwardens, and all the members of our PCC. We remember all the members of our fellowship who live outside the parish.

Let us continue to prayer "Thy Kingdom Come" until it does. Come Holy Spirit: gift us with yourself