

## Ramsgate Salvation Army 13<sup>th</sup> October 2024

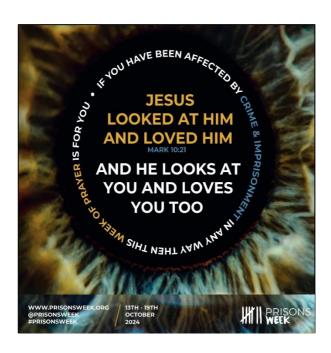
Love God Love Others A warm welcome as we gather as the family of God today, especially if you are not normally with us on a Sunday. May we all feel the welcome of God and each other.

We meet at The Salvation Army Hall Sunday 10.30 am.

Also Sunday worship is livestreamed on

You can find a link on the Ramsgate Salvation Army Web page.

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### **Prisons Week 2024**

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#### What's happening at Ramsgate Salvation Army?

Sunday 13 October Prayers (10.00am)

Worship -(10.30am)

Children and Youth Church (11.00am)
Love Feast (Prayer and Reflection) 4.30pm

Monday to Friday Breakfast Drop-in (6.30am-9am)

Monday Carl's Prison Chaplaincy

Little Fishes (P&T group) (9.30 am – 11.30 am)

10:10 (The new ACES) 1pm (Week 4) BOOK now for the January course.

Tuesday Prayer Meeting (9.30am) (Upper Room)

Carl at St Lawrence College Food Parcel preparation

The Well (10.30)

Light Lunch (12 noon)

Ukrainian Advice Hub (12 noon)

Bible study (1pm)
Youth Music Group

Wednesday Friendship club and Lunch club (from 11am)

Carl at Fundraising Meeting (12 noon)
Kids Club Music Lessons (5.00pm)
SINGING GROUP PRACTICE (7.30pm)

Thursday Carl & Heather Sabbath Day - Unavailable

Forward Trust (from 9am all day)
Drumming Workshop (5.30pm)

Carl and Heather away until Monday 21 October (With family for Zoe's dedication)

Friday Food Bank (10 am to 12 noon)

Ukrainian Language Class & Choir (1.45pm)

Kids Club (5.30pm)

Youth Fellowship (7.30pm)

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October Ukrainian Language Lessons (10am)

Ukrainian Community Hub (11.00 am)

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October Sunday worship (10.30)

#### **Birthdays**

Ivy Nkala Sunday 13-Oct
Richard Parsons Sunday 13-Oct
Lindsay Dowding Tuesday 15-Oct
Claire Craig Saturday 19-Oct
Nigel Harden Saturday 19-Oct
Dean Fitzpatrick Saturday 20-Oct
Finley Dowding Sunday 21-Oct

We remember family and friends of Mick, Angela's brother-in-law, who died last week after many months of suffering. Bring peace to all who mourn.

Bob Floodgate and his wife who both are in hospital in London after a house fire in St Mildred's Road. Ramsgate. Meet their needs, Lord.

We remember Muriel Beckett who is receiving end of life care at St Michaels Westgate on sea. Pray for her children and family who are coming to terms with her rapid decline. Pray they have faith in your eternal home.

For Maggie as she continues her healing at home after many weeks in QEQM. Pray for Helen too.

Prayers for Lindsay as she waits for her operation.

Prayers too for Nicole's family. Her Mum and Dad (Ali and Hadda) continue to suffer with illness, her eldest brother (Abdel) is really struggling with his physical and mental health and her eldest sister, Marie who is recovering after surgery following an abdominal hernia but has lost much weight and is fragile. Nicole worries for them for them and asks us to join with her daily prayers that their health will improve.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> **Rejoice** always, <sup>17</sup> **pray** without ceasing, <sup>18</sup> **give thanks** in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. <sup>1</sup> Thessalonians 5:16-18

For our great friend Gary V who is receiving palliative care at home. And for Jaynie as she cares for him.

Fay, suffering from debilitating tiredness and still waiting for appointments for her spinal problems and COPD and now being investigated for possible cancer. We pray for a good outcome and for full healing Simon, Peter's brother who has been diagnosed with cancer of the kidney

and likely to have one of his kidneys removed and chemo on his lungs. We pray that the treatments will be successful.

And for Josey as she manages some issues of health and welfare.

We continue to pray for Kate and ask again you will bring complete healing – in your time. We have received this card.



Dear church family and friends

Throughout these last five difficult anxious months it has been the love and care of family and friends that has kept us going to face each new day. We are truly blessed to have you in our lives thank you all so much for your gifts of money towards the wet room that is so badly needed. It will happen!! .... as plans have now been put together. So we wait and see what the builders say.

After delays of two months due to so many errors, therapy and other things are starting for which we are grateful

Kate is determined to do all she can to get better.

From the bottom of our hearts we say thank you for all your care and prayers God bless you all, love and prayers, Kate, Al, Jonah, Jasper, David and Sandra

For Debbie's friend Margaret following a heart attack.

For Douglas, and a full return to health. For Jean Spearing who has been very unwell and awaiting medical appointments.

We continue to uphold Pauline's daughter Karen.

For Natasha's mum Debra, and for Nick's father, John and wisdom in care and housing matters. We continue to ask protection and hope for Jess. Meet her needs, Lord.

Gary's carer, Linda who is experiencing pain in her foot.

We lift to you Lord, Natasha's friend Bev and Ellie's dance teacher, Debbie. Suzie, and her mother, Sylvia need our prayers this week.

We pray for Josette's sister Janine. Irene's mother who is very unwell in Estonia. And for Helen's friend Rob, who great grand child has been recently diagnosed with a serious condition. Uphold the family Lord.

We pray for peace across God's world, Ukraine, Gaza, Lebanon and Israel and the wider Middle East. We pray that the new tension between Israel and Iran is contained. We also pray for the situation in Sudan.



#### Pray about the forthcoming assisted dying legislation on 17<sup>th</sup> October.

God of justice, please grant strategic wisdom to politicians and others to maintain important safeguards and provide palliative, practical and pastoral care. Amen.

#### Pray for palliative and hospice care.

"Let the favour of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!" Psalm 90:17 (ESV)

Lord, please provide necessary finances, staff and volunteers to the hundreds of UK hospices that offer individual holistic care for people approaching the end of life within a peaceful, compassionate atmosphere. Amen.

#### Remember people with disabilities.

"The Lord is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit." Psalm 31:8 (NIV)

Lord, we pray about the ongoing debate to help those with life-limiting and terminal conditions as well as adults and children with serious disabilities who may feel under pressure to end their lives. May they be increasingly heard, appreciated and supported by us all in the debate around assisted suicide legislation. Amen.

Ask God to bring peace to those near the end of their lives

"Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me." Psalm 23:4 (NIV)

Loving Saviour, please draw near to those who are dying. Grant that they may have the opportunity and desire to make their peace with You and be filled with Your love. Amen.

# **Christian** response

We must speak up for those vulnerable people who really have no voice: Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute ... defend the rights of the poor and needy. (Proverbs 31: 8, 9) God calls us, as Christ's followers, to give our whole selves to the love and service of others by expending our time, money and energy in finding compassionate solutions to human suffering: Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfil the law of Christ. (Galatians 6:2, 10) This has indeed found practical shape historically in the hospice movement and in good palliative care – pioneered in large part by Christian doctors and nurses in the UK. We must work hard to make this compassionate, effective care more widely accessible.



#### MARK 10:21 JESUS LOOKED AT HIM AND LOVED HIM...(NIV)

We stand alongside and with those impacted by the criminal justice system, as hearts and minds are opened to enter into people's pain, struggles, fears and longings.

Over these coming days, we pray not only for offenders and victims of crime (recognising that many people in prison are both) - we pray also for families, friends, prison staff, chaplains, police, probation and all who make decisions which impact people's lives.

For nearly 50 years, Prisons Week has encouraged Christians everywhere to pray for prisoners and their families, victims of crime and their communities and those working or volunteering in the criminal justice system.

#### THE PRISONS WEEK PRAYER

Lord, you offer freedom to all people.

We pray for those in prison, break the bonds of fear and isolation that exist. Support with your love prisoners and their families and friends, prison staff and all who care.

Heal those who have been wounded by the actions of others, especially the victims of crime. Help us to forgive one another, to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly together with Christ in his strength and in his Spirit, now and every day. Amen