

Prayer pointers

...showering heaven together

Produced for St. Thomas with St. Nicholas Church, Bedhampton.

'Prayer pointers' is a tool enabling us to become a **PRAYING CHURCH**, it is produced as part of the Prayer Teams' work. It will help us to learn more about what is going on within the church, within our local community and in the world of mission; to thank God and to present our prayers to Him. It will contain some points to pray through; either on your own, in pairs, with your home-group, or with family.

MONDAY

The Rowans Hospice

-Thank God for the Rowans Hospice; thank Him for the careers and ask that He may grant them wisdom and compassion. Pray that He may surround this place of rest with love so that the patients feel a peace that passes all understanding. Commit to God the work of the Hospice Chaplain, Lance Blake.

WEDNESDAY Prayer letter visiting

Thank God for His protection over our parish and for all the prayers he has answered for those visited by the Prayer Letter Visiting Team.
-Pray this week for the residents of Ingledene Close, Staunton Road and West Street, that they may be aware of God's love for them.

THURSDAY

-Thank God for the comfort of your home and for the food that He provides for you. Pray for homeless persons that they may find comfort in the services provided for them.

FRIDAY

-Thank God for the church Youth Club that is held on Monday evenings. Pray that each leader may continue to feel and demonstrate God's joy, fun and compassion to the children who attend.



SATURDAY

-Consider how you can make this period of lent a time when you can reflect upon your person relationship with God. A few suggestions:

»Give up a bit of time to read the Bible/pray

»Join small-group (you never know you may enjoy it!)

»Read the 4 gospel accounts of the period in Jesus' life leading up to his crucifixion

»Make an effort to really consider the significance of Easter and thank God for how huge His sacrifice was.

TUESDAY

'The Price of Parenthood'

Pray for this research from the Centre of Policy Studies, looking at present fiscal policies that subsidise lone parents. Although a necessary policy it is often at the expense of 'intact' families. Pray that political parties and governments may act to remove disincentives to marriage and stable family life.

SUNDAY

-Thank God for His words; and for this time of Lent when we can study the book of Hebrews. Pray that we may all learn new truths about God and be able to apply them in our daily lives
-Pray for John and Chris, that they may be guided by God's Spirit as they discuss Hebrews with us.