

# Ramsgate Salvation Army Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024

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 YouTube

You can find a link on the Ramsgate Salvation Army Web page www.salvationarmy.org.uk/ramsgate



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# What's happening at Ramsgate Salvation Army?

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 10.00 Prayers

10.30 Sunday worship – Lent week 5.

11.45 Coffee and Discussion

4.30pm UNITED WORSHIP RAMSGATE

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

Monday (9.30 am – 11.30 am) Little Fishes (Parent & Toddler group)

Legionella Inspection

ACES (Course continues today – See Jacqueline)

Alpha 5.30pm

Tuesday Prayer Meeting 9.30am (Upper Room)

Food Parcel preparation The Well 10.30 – 12

Light Lunch 12 noon

Ukrainian Community Hub 12 noon

Bible study 1pm

No ZOOM bible study 7pm (8651865167)

(Marriage Preparation Classes)

Wednesday (from 11 am) Friendship club and Lunch club

(Speak-Up using community Hall from 10am)

Kids Club Music Lessons

Adult Music Practices (7pm-9pm)

Carl at Ramsgate Town Council Meeting 7pm

Thursday Forward Trust & DWP Employment Hub

**Drumming Workshop** 

Carl at QRBC 7pm

Friday (10am - 12 noon) Food Bank

Ukrainian Language Class 1.30pm

Kids Club 5.30 to 7.00pm,

Youth Fellowship from 7.30pm

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March EASTER MINI MARKET

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March Sunday worship and Sunday School

Palm Sunday

Central Southern Area Fellowship Band (Ken Clark) and

Ladies Chorus (Karen Todd) 11/12 May



## Thanks to XXX for the flowers.

#### CAN YOU OFFER TO PROVIDE FLOWERS?

### Birthdays

JoyWatsonTuesday 19th MarchKayTocciThursday 21-March

We pray for Peter Harden who was admitted to QEQM last week, and although now home is far from well.

We continue to uphold Al, husband of Kate, after the tragic loss of his father-inlaw Roy. We pray too for Kate that God will meet her needs.

We pray for Mick, Angela's brother-in-law diagnosed with a tumour. Angela lost her sister, Teresa, Mick wife, last year.

We pray too for Lobov, one of our Ukrainian friends in Canterbury Hospital following her operation on Friday.

We continue to plead for Amie (a good friend of Ellie's) who is 27 weeks pregnant and remains in hospital.

For David Robertson after his recent cancer surgery.

We pray for Doreen, who following her long awaited appointment has become very unwell and is now in QEQM. May she know your comfort.

We continue to uphold Pauline's daughters Karen and Rebecca. Rebecca is still experiencing back pain after the accident. Lord may treatment come soon. Pauline's sister Doreen and family friend Nick who is very unwell. Be near dear Lord.

Remember Carol Pratt who is suffering at this time. And a friend of Kate experiencing tragedy. We do not forget prayers for Janet's brother Graham, her son Richard and Janet herself. For Natasha's mum Deborah, and for Nick's father, John. We continue to ask protection and hope for Jess as she has had to move out of area. Meet her needs, Lord.

We pray for Emma. For the tests she requires and for your protection on her life. Pray for Nicole's mum Hadda and dad Ali and also her brother Abdel who is very poorly following two back surgeries' complications and serious respiratory problems. Finally we pray for Babak, arrested for his Christian faith, in prison in Iran. We ask that he might soon be free. We remember Somayyeh and Barad. Give them hope.

Bring peace to the hearts responsible for war. Especially in Ukraine and Gaza.

## It is hard to admit this,

because we are kind people
but we wouldn't know unity from contempt
we wouldn't know togetherness from war
we wouldn't be able to say that the church body is whole
we are too mixed up with who is for us and who is against us
we forget the one who triumphed over all to make us free.
too busy separating white from colours,
Protestants from Catholics and gays from all the rest of us
We need to take a moment to breathe.

When did we begin seeing someone by their identifier as opposed to their personhood, their God-marked image, their smile, their eyes, their body that isn't that much more desperate, more lonely, more hungry than you & I?

You see we need to address our lack of unity, our broken harmony, yes we are sojourning toward a land of truth but can't even hear the honesty swelling in our brother's tongue. Today I am grateful, grateful that there is another chance to face my failure.

Another opportunity to look at my betrayers in the mirror and say I am sorry.

He takes the brokenness and the fear of the unknown and makes us able.

God, who can create unity, like a mother braiding your hair, is careful yet strong in bringing us together. God who calls us to show up, to no longer divide ourselves, to listen and forgive and remember that we are forgiven.

To plant ourselves with hands wide open, like petals unfolding with morning dew, ready for the glorious trial of unity, the hymn that awakens our being—the body, many parts, broken yet together whole, singing our own shared rhythm on the metre to our maker. Katelyn Durst