

# HADLOW NEWSLETTER

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Mon	9:00 16:45	Morning Prayer – St Mary's Church Lyrical Dance (9yr) mixture of ballet and modern, Hadlow primary School
Tues	9:00 9:30-10:00 10:00-12:30 16:45-18:15	Morning Prayer - Church Story Time - Library Tania's Art Class – Maidstone Rd Rosanna's Rascals (Street Jam & Little Voices for Primary School ages). OSH
Wed	9:30 10:30-12:00 From 16:30 19:00-21:00 19:30-21:00	Holy Communion - Church Coffee Pots & Tiny Tots 50p/family - Church Footsteps, Senior ISTD Ballet & Pointe (Exp req). OSH Hadlow Seniors Table Tennis – Village Hall – All welcome Bell Ringing Practice - Church - learners welcome
Thur	9:00 9:30-10:30 10:00-12:00 14:00-15:00 19:45	Morning Prayer - Church Vicar's Surgery – Church Senior Pop in Club – OSH – All Knit & Natter – Library Adult Tap, Footsteps – Hadlow Primary School
Fri	14:30 19:15	Over 50's dancercise Footsteps - OSH Choir practice – Church
Sat	8:30 onwards	Dance, Singing & Drama classes Footsteps OSH & Hadlow primary
Sun	8:00 10:00 10:00  10:45	Holy Communion Parish Eucharist – Crèche available Start Up for 2½-7 year olds - <b>Upper Room</b> 7 Up for 7-11 year olds and - <b>term time</b> Ys Up for 11-14 year olds - <b>only</b> Mass - St Peters RC Church – Maidstone Rd

**Revd Paul White** 850238 [www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk](http://www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk)  
**Fr. Peter Murphy:** 353984 [www.corpuschristi-tonbridge.org.uk](http://www.corpuschristi-tonbridge.org.uk)  
**Art Class:** Tania 0797 180 5755 - term time only  
**Bell Ringers:** Janice 851519  
**Brownies:** Sarah on 01622 817127  
**Drumming Club:** Peter 0797 333 0698 <http://www.thedrumcoach.org/>  
**Flower Club:** All Welcome, visitors £6. Shirley 367173 or Mary 851212  
**Hadlow Gardener's Society:** Jenny 365873  
**Senior Pop in Club** Pat Large (Chairman) 850516  
**Footsteps:** Alison at [footstepsworkshop@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:footstepsworkshop@hotmail.co.uk) or 850903.  
[www.footstepsworkshop.co.uk](http://www.footstepsworkshop.co.uk)  
**Hospital Car Service:** Linda 356981  
**Historical Society:** Anne Hughes 850214 [hadlow12@mail.com](mailto:hadlow12@mail.com)  
 Annual Subs £10, visitors £2 per meeting  
**Parish Office** Opening Hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9.30-12:00 (closes midday 22 Dec reopens 3 Jan – emergency contact number on parish office noticeboard)  
**Clerk:** 851878 or [clerk@hadlowpc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@hadlowpc.co.uk), [www.hadlowpc.co.uk](http://www.hadlowpc.co.uk).  
**Sewing Group:** Ruby 359398 – donations always welcome  
**Library:** Tues 9:00-13:00, Thurs 9:00-13:00 14:00-18:00 & Sat 9:00-13:00  
**Mothers Union:** Irish Shaw  
**Table Tennis:** first session free, tea and coffee, all welcome £2  
**Village Hall** [info@hadlowvillagehall.org](mailto:info@hadlowvillagehall.org) [www.hadlowvillagehall.org](http://www.hadlowvillagehall.org)  
**WI** <http://hadlowwi.co.uk> All Welcome visitors £3

**10 December deadline for January** [Hadlowcommunity@gmail.com](mailto:Hadlowcommunity@gmail.com)

**Folding Date: Thursday 15 December**  
**Facebook/Hadlowcommunity**

Our annual **Christmas Fayre Saturday 3 December, 1.30-3.30pm in Church Street and St Mary's**. Come and buy your Christmas presents, crafts, cards, Advent rings, Christmas decorations, as well as home-made cakes, books and gifts for children to buy. There will be puppet shows, singers, mulled wine, children's activities, lucky dip and much more.

**Hadlow School** also has its Christmas Bazaar with lots of stalls and a chance to see Father Christmas in his grotto.

The **Senior Pop in Club** just celebrated 20 years, a very welcoming and caring group of people that have and do make a difference to people in Hadlow - thank you.

Massive congratulations to **Becky Docherty** who raised a whopping £1670 for Freeman Heart & Lung Transplant Association by holding a bingo night in the Village Hall.

The **Village Hall** just had its AGM and happy to report that it is doing very well and getting busier and holds a variety of events.

**2017/18 Parish Council Budget**  
 The Parish Council was recently advised by Tonbridge & Malling B.C. that from 1 April 2017 the Scheme of Financial Arrangements with Parish Councils and the Council Tax Reduction Grants will cease. This loss of income (approx. £23,696) will need to be considered by the Parish Council when preparing the Precept Demand for 2017/18. It may result in an increased parish precept to ensure there are sufficient funds to enable the Parish Council to continue to maintain buildings and provide services.

The Parish Office is looking for a **volunteer** to lock the public toilets in Hadlow Village Square each evening. TMBC cleaners open up, it is just the closing at around 6 or 7pm. Huge thankyou to the current volunteer who will be stopping.

**Wishing us all a peaceful and Happy Christmas.**

## Dates for your diary

### Saturday 3 December

1:30 – 3:30 **Christmas Fayre**, Church Street and St Marys – gifts, crafts, cards, home-made cakes, puppet shows & tombola

**Hadlow School Christmas Bazaar** – Hadlow School

3.30pm **Turning on the Christmas Tree and lights** in Hadlow Village Square. Come and join in with the festivities which includes carol singing. Collection boxes will once more be situated in local shops

### Tuesday 6 December

11 am Library Reading Group 1 'A Spool of Blue Thread' by Anne Tyler

**Christmas Coffee Morning** 10:30am - 12:30pm Bring and buy, Christmas gifts, raffle, coffee/tea and mince pies

Do come along for some festive cheer and a chat! Now to be held at Clive & Penny Carden's: 82 Hale Street, East Peckham, TN12 5HL In aid of the East Peckham & Golden Green Branch Conservative Association.

### Wednesday 7 December

1.45pm **Mothers Union** Annual Carol Service

### Friday 9 December

An Information and Advice support day for older Military Veterans at Tonbridge School Sports Centre. The day will include stands staffed by local organisations and services, a drama, chance to have a go at some indoor sports, and the opportunity for old Veterans to meet up and chat. [michael.bishop@rbli.co.uk](mailto:michael.bishop@rbli.co.uk) | M: 07827 943609

### Saturday 10 December

9:30-10:30 Williams Field Hadlow Bulky Refuse Lorry and WEEE Collection

### Sunday 11 December

**11:45 am Family Service:** An informal and fun non-communion service for families and children aged 3 to 15, led by members of the congregation. (one week later than usual)

### Monday 12 December

12.45-2.30pm **Friends Together** Open to anyone who has been bereaved. Come along for lunch and a chat. St.Mary's upper room. Hadlow Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm (Mulled wine & mince pies at 7pm ) OSH

### Saturday 17 December

10am-12 **St Mary's Market Stall** Come along for coffee, mince pies and a chat.

10-11.30am **Who Let the Dads Out?** For dads with their under 6 year olds – hot drinks and a bacon roll for dads and lots of toys, craft and fun for the kids.

9:30-10:30 **Golden Green Bulky Refuse Lorry and WEEE Collection** (cul-de sac) Victoria Rd

4pm FAMILY CAROLS ~ Tonbridge School Chapel, adults £8, children (under 16) £4; under 5s free. Box office (01732 304241)

<http://www.boxoffice.tonbridge-school.co.uk/tickets/>

### 18 Sunday 18 December

4.00pm – Golden Green Carol Service

6.30pm – Service of Nine Lessons and Carols in St Mary's

### 20 December

10-11am Library Reading Group 2 Various titles by Angela Carter

8pm Hadlow Historical Society 'Hadlow's Lost Pubs' by Roger Stanley

### Saturday 24 December ~ Christmas Eve

9:30-10:30 Williams Field Hadlow Bulky Refuse Lorry and WEEE Collection

**4.30pm Crib & Christingle Service**

**6.30pm Carols in the Square**

**11.30pm Midnight Communion (carols from 11pm)**

### Sunday 25 December ~ Christmas Day

10am Family Service with Communion in St Mary's

## From the parish registers:

### Baptism: We welcome into the family of the church:

6 November – Archibald Sebastian Digby Crampin

### Funerals: We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of:

Monday 31 October – Barbara Lettice

Monday 7 November – Gary Trevill

Monday 14 November – Eileen Vinnall; Pamela Brise