

Hadlow Newsletter



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Services at St Mary's, Hadlow

Sundays:

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist, crèche available

Wednesdays:

9.30am Holy Communion

Family Service Sunday 14 February at 11.45am.

An informal and fun non-communion service for families and children aged 3 to 15, led by members of the congregation.

St Mary's Sunday Clubs for children. Held in the Upper Room in term-time during the 10am main Sunday service: Start Up for 2½-7 year olds, 7 Up for 7-11 year olds and Ys Up for 11-14 year olds.

Golden Green Services

Held in Golden Green Hall

Sunday 21 February 12 noon Family Service

St Mary's Website – www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Contributions to office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Services & Events in February

Ash Wednesday – 10 February at 7.30pm: Deanery Service at Holy Trinity in East Peckham. (The usual Wednesday 9.30am Holy Communion service at St Mary's will include imposition of ashes)

Lent Course – runs for six weeks starting on 17 & 18 February: Wednesdays at 8pm and Thursdays at 1pm (with optional light lunch at 12.30). We'll be looking at the Eucharist in more detail. The course booklet is £5.99; please sign up early at the back of church so they can be ordered.

Fauré Requiem Palm Sunday 20 March at 6.30pm. Additional singers are invited to join St Mary's choir for this special event. For further details please contact Antony le Fleming (01622 817842 antle Fleming@gmail.com)

Vicar's Surgery in Church – most Thursdays 9.30-10.30am. Come along for a chat or to arrange a wedding, baptism or funeral.

Alternatively, if you would like a visit please telephone Revd Paul White on 01732 850238.

ST PETER'S RC CHURCH – Maidstone Road.
Mass every Sunday, 10.45am. Fr. Peter Murphy: 01732 353984 www.corpuschristi-tonbridge.org.uk

Events in St Mary's

Coffee Pots and Tiny Tots welcomes parents and carers with babies and toddlers. Every Wednesday 10.30am-12: craft, singing, music & play. 50p per family includes drink & biscuit.

The Mothers' Union Our next meeting will be our AGM on 3 Feb with Dave Hopkins and Puppets.

Who Let the Dads Out? For dads with their under 6 year olds. Saturday 13 February, 10am-11.30 in St Mary's – hot drinks and a bacon roll for dads and lots of toys, craft and fun for the kids.

Friends Together meet on Monday 8 February, 12.45 to 2.30pm in St Mary's Upper Room. Open to anyone who has been bereaved. Come along for a chat and make friends. Lunch is provided.

St Mary's Market Stall – Saturday 20 Feb, 10am-12 noon in the Upper Room. Come along for coffee and a chat and buy home-made cakes and produce.

Silver Bangle found in Church. If it is yours, please contact Barbara Smith on 852174.

From the Parish Registers

Funeral – We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of: 11 January – Kenneth John Foulger



Quiz Night

With fish and chip supper

Saturday 5 March in St Mary's

A fun and friendly quiz evening to test your grey cells. Teams of up to six, 7pm for a 7.30 prompt start. Tickets £10 per adult available from Janice Massy (851519) or sign up on the sheet at the back of church.



Organ Recital

by St Mary's excellent musical director and organist Antony le Fleming. Saturday 13 February from 6pm to 7.15pm in St Mary's. A brief European musical tour featuring contrasting organ favourites. Free admission, retiring collection.

New Newsletter Editor

Very many thanks to Maria Fisk who has kindly volunteered to take over editing the Newsletter for a trial six-month period, starting with the next edition – the March issue. Maria already runs the Hadlow Facebook page. Please direct all future items for inclusion to Maria at maria.astro@gmail.com

As this is (hopefully) my last newsletter, may I take the opportunity to thank all the many volunteers – folders and deliverers and, of course, distribution organiser Anne Hughes – who all ensure that the newsletter is delivered to nearly every home in the parish.
Janice Massy

Clubs, Societies & Social

Hadlow Country Fair will take place again this year. The date will be Sunday 26 June from midday until 4pm at the cricket ground – same format as last year. Any club or local organisation can be there for free – we only ask for a donation from sales. The booking form for stalls is on our website www.hadlowcc.org.uk. For more information please email hcf2015@btinternet.com

Footsteps Theatrical Workshop: proudly present their Annual show at the Hazlitt Theatre, Maidstone. **'I Can Do That!'** sums up the spirit of our talented student cast. A real variety show with dance, drama and singing with performances from all ages. Shows on Sat 6 Feb at 2.30pm & Sun 7 Feb 1.30pm. To book online please go to www.hazlitttheatre.com. www.footstepsworkshop@hotmail.co.uk

Hadlow Flower Club will meet on Tuesday 9 February in Hadlow Old School Hall at 7.30pm for 8pm when Iris Shaw will be giving a floral demonstration entitled "Life in France". All are welcome to our friendly Club, flower arrangers or not. Visitors £6. For more information ring Shirley 01732 367173 or Mary 01732 851212.

Hadlow Gardeners Society next meet on Monday 15 February at 8pm in the Old School Hall when James Edwards will be talking about Colombia and the Amazon. More details from Jenny on 365873.

Hadlow WI meet on Tuesday 16 February in the Old School Hall at 7.30pm. We will be doing silk painting greeting cards, they are very easy to make and very pretty. The cost is £2.50 as we provide all the equipment. Visitors are very welcome at an additional cost of £3.00

Hadlow Historical Society The next meeting is on Tuesday 23 February at 8pm in St Mary's upper room when Trish Evans will talk about 'Penshurst Place'. New members and visitors welcome. Annual subscription £10, visitors £2 per meeting. Inquiries to Anne Hughes on 850214.

Mayor's Charity Quiz Night The Mayor of Tonbridge and Malling's Charity Quiz Night at Hadlow College on Saturday 27 February 2016 at 7pm. For further details please contact the Mayor's Office on 01732 876036/876005 or e-mail mayors.office@tmbc.gov.uk

Seniors Table Tennis meets every Wednesday, 7-9pm at the Village Hall. £2 per session, first evening free. No experience necessary. We are a friendly group, so come along, make new friends & have fun.

Hadlow Seniors Pop In Club We meet every Thursday morning at 10am in the Old School Hall. Come and have a chat, make some new friends, enjoy coffee, tea and cakes. We have quizzes, Bingo and other activities regularly. Do join us, a warm welcome awaits you. Contact Pat Large (Chairman) 850516,

Hadlow Calendars There are only 5 calendars left, now reduced to £4.00. If you are interested, please contact Julie – julie@intus.co.uk

Hadlow Village Hall

Hadlow Village Hall has spaces for daytime and evening bookings during the week and is available for parties. A large main hall, kitchen and a smaller meeting or children's party room is available. The hall has been refurbished and is under new management. Please visit our new website: www.hadlowvillagehall.org or email caroline.elcombe@virgin.net for more details.

Library News

Reading Group 1 meets on Tuesday 2 February at 11am in the library to discuss 'Labyrinth' by Kate Mosse. **Reading Group 2** meets on Tuesday 16 February to discuss 'Night after Night' by Phil Rickman. New members for Group 2 welcome.

Dr Mark Bateson will be at the Library on Tuesday 2 February at 2pm to talk about his **recent discovery of the Magna Carta**. Tickets £1 (including refreshments) available from the library.

Hadlow Library is hosting a **MacMillan Coffee Morning** on Tues 16 February from 10am-12 noon, together with a raffle. Donations of cakes welcome.

Story Time for younger children and their carers takes place on Tuesdays from 9.30 – 10am.

Hadlow Parish Council

Hadlow Parish Council meeting: Monday 8 February, 7.30pm in the Old School Hall.

Bulky Refuse Lorry and WEEE Collection will be at Hadlow Village Hall car park on Saturdays 13 & 27 February, 9.30-10.30am and at Victoria Road, Golden Green Sat 20 February, 9.30-10.30am.

Parish Council Vacancies: There are still vacancies on the Parish Council. Please contact the Parish Office for further information

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING: This meeting is an ideal opportunity for the community to have their say on future plans and to be updated on the progress being made with existing projects including the cemetery extension, parking facilities, play areas, buildings and Hy-Arts Centre.

Please do come along and contribute your views and ideas for the Parish and its future. It will be held in the Old School Hall, Wednesday 20 April at 7.30pm

Christmas Lights: The parish council wishes to extend a public thank you to all the local traders, businesses, organisations and individuals who contributed towards the Christmas lights display in Hadlow. Your donations are very much appreciated. This year we have collected £165.98 towards the TMBC Matching Funding.

Parish Office Opening Hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9.30am–12 noon. To contact the Clerk at other times, please write, phone 01732 851878 or email clerk@hadlowpc.co.uk. : www.hadlowpc.co.uk.

March Newsletter Deadline: Sunday 21 February. Items to the Vicarage please marked "Newsletter" or email maria.astro@gmail.com.