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 8 March at 11.45am and on the 2nd Sunday each month. 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 Service

Held in Golden Green Hall

Sunday 1 March 12 noon Family Service

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 Mary's Website – <u>www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk</u> Contributions to office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Services in March

Mothering Sunday – 15 March at 10am. An all-age service when we will be joined by Hadlow Primary School Choir.

Easter Services

Palm Sunday - 29 March:

8am Holy Communion

9.45am – Hadlow Square: Palm Procession to Church followed by Parish Eucharist with blessing of palms.

Holy Week

Monday 30 March – 8pm Holy Communion Tuesday 31 March – 8pm Holy Communion Wednesday 1 April – 8pm Holy Communion

Maundy Thursday - 2 April

8pm - Holy Communion and stripping of the altar

Good Friday - 3 April

10am – Walk of Witness from St Peter's Chapel, Maidstone Road, to St Mary's. Stay afterwards for coffee and hot cross buns

12noon to 2pm - Readings on the hour and half-hour and a time for private prayer

2pm - Good Friday Service

Easter Sunday – 5 April

6am - Dawn Service with renewal of baptism vows,

8am - Holy Communion

9am - Holy Communion at Golden Green

10am - Family Service with Communion

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. Craft, music & play. Join in the fun on Wednesdays 10.30am - 12 noon in St Mary's Church. 50p per family includes drink & biscuit.

The Mothers' Union will meet on Wed 4 March at 1.45pm in St Mary's when we will hold our annual Communion Service. Everyone will be welcome.

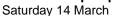
Friends Together meet on Monday 9 March, from 12.45 to 2.30pm in St Mary's Upper Room. Open to anyone who has been bereaved. Come along for a chat and make friends. Lunch is provided.

St Mary's Market Stall – Sat 21 March, 10am-12 noon in the Upper Room. Come along for coffee and a chat and buy home-made cakes & produce.

Link to Hope 34,596 shoe boxes were delivered. Thank you all. Wool & material, and knitted hats, gloves & scarves needed especially for the elderly. 850853 for further information. www.linktohope.co.uk



Quiz Night With fish and chip supper





A fun and friendly quiz evening to test your grey cells. Teams of up to six. Tickets £10 per adult available from Janice Massy 851519 or sign up on sheet at the back of church.

Hadlow Scout Group – Annual Senior Citizens Lunch –

The Senior Citizens Lunch will be held on **Sunday 29 March** at Hadlow College. Guest lists will be available at Hadlow Pharmacy from 1 March onwards so please do add your name to the list if you would like to attend and indicate whether you require transport. If you have any queries, please contact Sue Howard on 01732 851689.

Borough Councillors' Surgery Your Borough Councillors, Jill Anderson and Janet Sergison, will hold a Surgery in the Choir Vestry of St Mary's Church, 10-11.30am, on Saturday 21 March – the same day as St Mary's Market Stall. Do drop in to discuss anything that concerns you. If we can't help, we generally know someone who can!

Clubs, Societies & Social

Hadlow Cricket Club Indoor nets start Tuesday 17 February for 10 weeks at Judd School, 8-9pm; cost £4 for all ages; contact Adrian 01732 354639. Our AGM will take place on Wednesday 25 March at the George and Dragon, Ightham, 7pm for 7.30; contact Richard 01892 824077.

HadLOW CARBON Community will meet on Tuesday 3 March at 7.30pm in the Two Brewers. Visitors very welcome.

Seedy Sunday: Join us at our annual seed swap at Tonbridge Farmers Market on Sunday 8 March, 9.30 to 1pm. Do bring along your own well-saved seeds to share with others. No seeds to swap? – all we ask is a 50p donation for every packet you choose.

Hadlow Gardeners Society meets on 16 March when James Edwards will be talking about 'James' Travels'. Meeting starts at 8pm in the Old School Hall. More details from Jenny Bubb: 365873.

Belly Dancing in Hadlow Beginning 20 March, Friday evenings 8.15 - 9.45 in the Old School Hall. This will be an informal fun class for beginners of all ages; you will learn all the basic moves: to shimmy and shake and build up your energy. The idea is to let your hair down and meet new people. A small charge of £5 a session to cover costs. Contact Maria 07904 902394. Facebook/Hadlow Belly Dancing

Hadlow Historical Society The next meeting is on Tuesday 24 March at 8pm in St Mary's Upper Room when Tony Mount will talk about Magna Carta. New members and visitors welcome. Annual subscription £8, visitors £2 per evening.

African Drumming comes to Hadlow! Learn the basics of authentic West African rhythms at a beginner's workshop series for adults in Hadlow. No experience necessary, just enthusiasm and energy. Workshops will be run initially as a 'drop-in' session monthly on mid-week evenings for only £5. Drums are provided, as is tuition from friendly and enthusiastic drum tutor Peter. Dates and venue will be confirmed in the April newsletter. but do register your interest now at rhythms@thedrumcoach.org (booking essential).

Table Tennis every Wednesday, 7-9pm at the Village Hall. £2 per session, first evening free. No experience necessary, so come along and have fun.



Hadlow College

Lambing Weekend 14 & 15 March

at Hadlow College's Animal Management Unit, Ashes Lane, Hadlow TN11 0AU. Visitors of all ages welcome: opportunity to witness lambs being born, tractor and trailer rides, stalls selling local produce and arts & crafts. *Tickets: family £15, adults £6 concessions (children up to 16 and OAP's) £3.*

Dept of Floristry presents Spring Collection 2015 by Mig Kimpton

Tues 17 March at 7.30pm in Pym Hall, Hadlow College. Tickets £8 from Broadview Garden Centre. Multi award winning floral designer Mig shares his passion with his new collection of work for spring.

Library News

Reading Group 1 meets on Tues 3 March at 11am in the library to discuss 'The Soldier's Wife' by Joanne Trollope. Reading Group 2 meets on Tuesday 17 March from 10-11am to discuss 'The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society' by Mary Ann Shafter and Annie Barrows.' New members for Group 2 welcome.

Have a go at using a computer or searching the internet with free help and advice from a **Computer Buddy** in the library on Thursdays, 10am - 12 noon. Free use of library computers. Drop in to the library or phone 851794 to make an appointment.

Storytime for pre-school children is or Tuesdays from 9-9.30am.

The recent coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Nurses raised £120. Thanks for the generous donations.

Hadlow Parish Council

Hadlow Parish Council meeting: Monday 9 March, 7.30pm in the Old School Hall.

Bulky Refuse Lorry and WEEE Collection will be at Hadlow Village Hall car park on Saturdays 14 and 28 March, 9.30-10.30am and at Victoria Road (cul-de-sac), Golden Green on Saturday 21 March, 9.30-10.30am.

2015 Parish Elections: If you intend to put yourself forward at the 2015 elections for Parish Council, there will be an information board set up in Golden Green, Hadlow and the Parish Website on which applicants may put a headshot and short explanation about themselves and what they can contribute to the parish. Please send details to the Parish Office.

Annual Parish Meeting 22 April at Hadlow Village Hall & Community Country Fayre 28 June at Cricket Ground: All local community groups are invited to attend and exhibit at both events. Please express your interest to the Parish Office as soon as possible to ensure your place.

Christmas Lights Donations – Thank you to all who supported the Christmas lights in the Square this year. There is still an opportunity to donate before the Match Funding application is completed. Please drop your contribution into the Parish Office.

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. Website: www.hadlowpc.co.uk

Work Aid Sewing and knitting machines and all types of tools needed. Ring for collection: Chris 457744 or Richard 850853.

April Newsletter Deadline:

Items to the Vicarage please or email janicemassy@btinternet.com.

For newsletter queries, phone Janice Massy 851519.