

# 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 September at 11.45am. A 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.

## Flower Festival

12, 13 & 14 September



Floral displays by village groups.  
Refreshments and light lunches served.  
Friday evening: 8pm Film: "The Rule Breaker".  
Saturday evening: 8pm Flower demonstration. Wine and nibbles after both events. All welcome.

## Golden Green Service

Sunday 28 September: 11.50am Family Service

## September Course: 'Test of Faith'

This three-part course, starting on the evening of Monday 15 September, asks the question, 'Does Science threaten belief in God?' Using interviews with top scientists, it looks at whether science and faith are incompatible. Places limited to 20 so please sign up on the sheet at back of church.

**Date for the Diary: Christmas Fayre** Sat 6 Dec in Church Street, 4-6pm – this year with a Dickens theme.

**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.

**Church open** We try to ensure the Church is open on weekday afternoons from 2-4pm.

**St Mary's Website** – [www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk](http://www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk)  
Contributions to [office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk](mailto:office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk)

**ST PETER'S RC CHURCH** – Maidstone Road.  
Mass every Sunday, 10.45am. Fr. Peter Murphy: 01732 353984 [www.corpuschristi-tonbridge.org.uk](http://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. Open in school holidays, siblings welcome.

**The Mothers' Union** meets Wed 3 September, 1.45pm in the Upper Room for an "Exploration of Prayer". Visitors and new members welcome.

**Friends Together** will meet on Monday 8 September, 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 Sept, 10am to 12 noon in the Upper Room. Come along for coffee and a chat and buy home-made cakes and produce. This month it is being run by the Hadlow Historical Society and will include a second-hand book stall. Donations of books and/or cakes/produce on the morning please, or to Anne Hughes, Spring House, Tonbridge Road.

**Borough Councillors' Surgery** Your Borough Councillors, Jill Anderson and Janet Sergison, will hold a Surgery in the Choir Vestry of St Mary's Church on Saturday 20 September, 10-11.30am, the same day as St Mary's Market Stall. Do drop in to discuss anything that concerns you.

## WW1 Exhibition

The display to mark the centenary of WW1 is now open in the foyer of the Old School Hall from 10am to 3pm week days. There will be a special Saturday opening on 30 August from 10am-1pm. Thanks to Roger Stanley for his hard work in putting this exhibition together. It includes information on Hadlow WW1 casualties.

## Bell Ringing at Hadlow

Six of the eight bells at St Mary's, Hadlow were cast and hung before 1700. The way that they are rung today is not very different to how they were rung then. Bell ringing will be demonstrated between 2-4pm on Sunday 14 September as part of Heritage Open Days. Come and find out more and have a go if you are over 11 years old! Under 18's must be accompanied by an adult.

## Message from Save Our Tree Action Group

Kent County Council are considering removing the wonderful White Poplar at the junction of Carpenters Lane with the High Street, as they have decided (after 28 years) that it could cause accidents at the junction. Please sign the petition to save the tree – forms in convenience store, Two Brewers PH, Doctors' surgery, Old School Hall; and come to the Parish Council meeting 8 September at 7.30pm in the Old School Hall.

**Children's Society Boxes** If you still have box that needs emptying, please contact Kirsty on 850404 to arrange collection

## Library News

The **Reading Group** meets on Tuesday 2 September at 11am in the library to discuss 'The Storyteller' by Jodi Picoult. There is now a waiting list for new members.

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.

**Spanish Talk Time.** Begins on Thursday 4 September at 4.15pm. Brush up on your Spanish or learn some basics for your holiday.

**Storytime for pre-school children** will be held on Tuesdays from 9-9.30am starting on 9 September.

## Clubs, Societies & Social

**HadLOW CARBON Community** next meets on Tuesday 2 September, 7.30pm in the Two Brewers. Visitors are welcome – come & see what we're up to!

**Apple Juicing Opportunity:** this autumn HCC could help you to turn your excess apples into juice professionally pressed by a Tonbridge firm. If interested please email [nicolacanhams@gmail.com](mailto:nicolacanhams@gmail.com) by 15 Sept.

Last chance to submit your photo entries for next year's **Hadlow Calendar**; send to [julie@intus](mailto:julie@intus.com) by 15 Sept

**Hadlow Flower Club** meet on Tuesday 9 September in Hadlow Old School Hall, 7.30 for 8pm. Do come along to our Imposed Workshop and be creative as well as having fun making Floral Cupcakes. All are welcome to our friendly club. Just bring scissors and have a go. Members £5, visitors £8. Enqs: Mary 851212.

**Hadlow Bowls Club** Our men's team have gained promotion to Division 1 of the Sevenoaks League. And the mixed team are promoted to Weald League Division 2. Well done all. On Sun 7 Sep it's Captain's vs Chairman's teams so we will all be trying to win! Last home game of the season: Sun 14 Sep @ 2.30pm.

**Hadlow Gardeners Society** Meets on Monday 15 September when Brian & Jean Waterman will be talking about The Kent Coast. Meetings start at 8pm in the Old School Hall. More details from Jenny Bubb: 365873.

**Hadlow Historical Society** The opening meeting of the new season is on Tuesday 23 September, 8pm in St Mary's Upper Room when Roland Smith will give an illustrated talk on 'The Luttrell Psalter'. New members and visitors welcome. Annual subscription £8, visitors £2 per evening. Inquiries to Anne Hughes on 850214.

**Hadlow WI** No meeting in September as we are going to Hastings for a fish & chip supper but do come and join us on Tues 21 October at 7.30 for our 4th birthday celebration with the ladies from Tap Happy.

**MacMillan Coffee Morning** at the Two Brewers, Sat 4 Oct, 10am-12 noon. Please come along and support a very worthy cause. Hadlow WI are hosting the event with the support of the Two Brewers so there will be plenty of delicious cakes to enjoy plus a bumper raffle.

**Footsteps Theatrical Workshop** FREE Taster Trials for Drama, various dance forms, singing & musical theatre sessions. ISTD exam & non exam ballet & tap for all ages. Classes at Hadlow Primary School & Old School Hall. More information from Alison on 850903 or email: [footstepsworkshop@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:footstepsworkshop@hotmail.co.uk) website: [www.footstepsworkshop.co.uk](http://www.footstepsworkshop.co.uk)

## Clubs, Societies & Social Cont'd

**Hadlow Brownie Pack** meets Wednesday evenings during school terms and has spaces available for girls aged 7-10 years. We do a wide range of activities: craft, games and learning new skills and the girls get a chance to work towards interest badges and make new friends. We are also looking for adult volunteers to assist Brown Owl on a weekly basis. If you are interested please contact Sarah Wordsworth on 01622 817127 or email [sarahwordsworth@btconnect.com](mailto:sarahwordsworth@btconnect.com)

**Table Tennis** restarts 3 September 7-9pm at the Village Hall. £2 per session. We are a very friendly group; no experience necessary, so come along, make new friends and have fun whilst helping to keep fit.

## Hadlow Parish Council

**Hadlow Parish Council meeting:** Monday 8, September, 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 September, 9.30-10.30am and at Victoria Road, Golden Green (cul-de-sac) Saturday 20 Sept, 9.30-10.30.

**Annual Audit** for financial year ended 31/03/2014: PKF Littlejohn has completed the external audit and signed off the accounts. They are available for inspection at the Parish Office.

**TREE – Carpenters Lane** : KCC Councillor Balfour and other officers will be speaking about possible removal of the tree on the corner of Carpenters Lane and the A26 – residents are encouraged to attend.

**Hadlow Parish Website** – this has lots of local information and is a great place to publicise your event

**Grounds Maintenance Services** – if you are interested in quoting for Parish Council grounds maintenance for the year starting October 2015 then please contact the parish office for further information.

**Play Equipment Survey** – Please look on the Parish website for the survey and have your say. If you wish to print and complete it then please return completed sheet to either 1 Bell Cottages at Golden Green or the Parish Office in Hadlow.

**Thank you Ruby** HPC would like to thank Ruby Burt for cleaning the tapestries in the Old School Hall. We very much appreciate her work over the years.

**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](mailto:clerk@hadlowpc.co.uk). Website: [www.hadlowpc.co.uk](http://www.hadlowpc.co.uk)

## From the Parish Registers

**Baptisms – we welcome into the family of the church:** 29 June – Joseph Worsell; 6 July – Charles Watson; 13 July – Millie White; 3 August – Rio Clifton; 10 August – Elia Kaakunga

**Funerals – We extend our sympathy to the families of:** 3 July – Ron Pate; 31 July – Joan Juddery; 8 August – Alan Weekes-

**October Newsletter Deadline:** Sunday 14 September (one week earlier than usual). Items to the Vicarage please or email [janicemassy@btinternet.com](mailto:janicemassy@btinternet.com). For newsletter queries, phone Janice Massy 851519.