

# 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 6 April at 11.45am – one week earlier than usual. A non-communion service led by members of the congregation suitable for families and children aged 3 to 15.

**St Mary's Sunday Clubs** at 10am for children. Held in the Upper Room in term-time during the 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.

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

## Golden Green Services

Held in Golden Green Hall

Easter Sunday 20 April: 9am Holy Communion  
Sunday 27 April: 11.50am Holy Communion

## Forthcoming Events

**Concert with East Peckham Silver Band** – Friday 4 April at 8pm. Tickets £8 to include refreshments available at the door or contact Richard Morley 850283 or Iris Shaw 851917.

**Lent Course** – Wednesdays 8pm and Thursdays 12.30pm in the Upper Room until 9 & 10 April.

**Boot Fair** – Bank Holiday Monday 5 May – Jacksons' Field, Carpenters Lane.

## Easter Services

**Palm Sunday – 13 April:**

8am Holy Communion  
9.45am – Hadlow Square: Palm Procession to Church followed by Parish Eucharist with blessing of palms.  
6.30pm – Fauré's Requiem

**Holy Week**

**Monday 14 April** – 8pm Evening Prayer  
**Tuesday 15 April** – 8pm Compline  
**Wednesday 16 April** – 8pm Evening Prayer

**Maundy Thursday – 17 April**

8pm – Holy Communion and stripping of the altar

**Good Friday - 18 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 – 20 April**

6am – Dawn Service with renewal of baptism vows, lighting of the Easter candle and Communion  
8am – Holy Communion  
9am – Holy Communion at Golden Green  
10am – Family Service with Communion

**Vicar's Surgery in Church** – every Thursday 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** – [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/family includes drinks & biscuit. Open in school holidays, siblings welcome.

**The Mothers' Union** meets Wednesday 2 April at 1.45pm when Vivienne White will be speaking about Media Watch. Visitors and new members welcome.

**St Mary's Market Stall** – Saturday 19 April 10am-12 noon in the Upper Room. Come along for coffee and a chat and buy home-made cakes and produce.

## Hadlow Scout Group Annual Senior Citizens Lunch

The Senior Citizens Lunch will be held on Sunday 13 April at Hadlow College. Guest lists are available at Hadlow Pharmacy 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.

## Hadlow Tower

The tower opens to visitors again on Thursday 24 April. We are looking for more stewards to help on Thursdays so if you are interested please contact Caroline on 851247. There is steward training on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 1pm at Hadlow Village Hall.

## Clubs, Societies & Social

**Hadlow Gardeners Society Spring Show** will be on Saturday 5 April. Our usual meeting is on Monday 28<sup>th</sup>, 8pm in the Old School Hall when Ken Turner will talk about 'Growing Vegetables for the Home'. More details from Jenny Bubb: 365873.

**HadLOW CARBON Community** next meets on Monday 7 April, 7.30pm in the Two Brewers.

**Green Open Homes** Interested in installing energy efficiency or renewable energy measures in your home? Look out for more details of this Open Homes event in May when you will be able to visit and talk to home-owners in the area who are already benefitting from cheaper fuel bills and a lower-carbon lifestyle.

**Hadlow Flower Club** meets on Tuesday 8 April in Hadlow Old School Hall, 7.30 for 8pm, when Gill Smaggasgale will be giving a floral demonstration entitled "Listening in Colour". All are welcome to this friendly club. More information from Mary on 851212.

**Friends Together** will meet on Monday 14 April, 12.45 to 2.30pm in St Mary's Upper Room. Open to anyone who has been bereaved. Lunch is provided.

**Hadlow WI** meets on 15 April at 7.30pm in the Old School Hall when our speaker will be Lesley Bright from Hadlow Parish Council. We're a lively, group, so why not come along (£3) and see for yourself.

**Hadlow Bowls Club** is holding a SPRING INTO SPORT day, at the Club in School Lane between 2pm and 6pm on Saturday 19 April. All welcome to come along and have a go! Any enquiries to Reg on 01732 848224

**Hadlow Historical Society** The next meeting is on Tuesday 22 April at 8pm in St Mary's upper room, when Diana Rimmel will talk about 'Sir Joseph Bazelgette'. Visitors and new members welcome. Enquiries to Anne Hughes on 850214.

**Footsteps Theatrical Workshop** is taking on new students. Come and join us for a FREE Taster Trial: acting/drama workshops, and dance or exercise sessions for all ages – including adults. All classes are held at Hadlow Primary School, or the Old School Hall, Hadlow. More information from Alison on 01732 850903 or email: [footstepsworkshop@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:footstepsworkshop@hotmail.co.uk) & visit our web site at [www.footstepsworkshop.co.uk](http://www.footstepsworkshop.co.uk)

**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, **NB: Thursday 1 May:** the Pop In Club is holding an **Open Morning**. Do join us for a social morning with free refreshments. 10.30am – 12 noon.

**Library News** The **Reading Group** meets on Tuesday 1 April at 11am in the library to discuss 'Lucky Jim' by Kingsley Amis. New members welcome.

A **Computer Buddy** is in the library on Thursdays, 10am - 12 noon to give advice to those of any ability.

## Local Community Choir Seeks Male Voices!

**Men** - this is your chance to sing for pleasure without previous experience or ability to read music well, in the hands of a professional music director. We sing a whole range from pop through show tunes to opera, put on local concerts and take part in charity events. Tonbridge Community Singers meets every Wednesday at Delarue Hall, Shipbourne Road 7.20-9pm. We're a friendly group, so call Carol (01732 832798) to find out more or come for a free taster evening. You might surprise yourself!

## Hadlow Parish Council

**Hadlow Parish Council meeting:** Monday 14 April, 7.30pm at Golden Green Hall.

**Bulky Refuse Lorry and WEEE Collection** will be at Hadlow Village Hall car park on Saturdays 5 & 12 April, 9.30-10.30am and in Victoria Road (cul-de-sac), Golden Green Saturday 12 April, 9.30-10.30.

**Old School Hall** – Just a reminder that on Thursday 22 May the European Elections will be held and the hall will be in use for voting and unavailable for hire. Also week commencing Monday 28 July the hall will be closed while the floor is sanded and re-varnished. It is hoped to be re-opened on Sunday 3 August.

**Christmas Lights Donations – Thank you** to all those who donated this year either directly or through the shop collection boxes; you raised £375.85; the Parish Council donated £1371.65 in order to receive a TMBC Match Funding Grant. The total cost of installation and removal, over the Christmas period was £2835.00 (*not including purchase of new lights*).

**Annual Parish Meeting – Wednesday 23 April, Hadlow Village Hall at 7.30pm** – There will be a slightly different format to the meeting this year; it will be more like an exhibition with local groups each having a stall to promote their activities. Refreshments will be available and we are hoping a couple of groups may put on small performances to entertain residents. If you have not yet signed up for a stall or sent in your report then please do so as soon as possible. **Several Play Equipment companies will also be exhibiting design plans for upgrading our play parks over the next five years – an ideal time for you to give your views. This event is for the whole Parish and everyone is welcome.**

**Williams Field** – a big Thank You to all who helped plant trees between the Skate Park & local houses.

**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). [www.hadlowpc.co.uk](http://www.hadlowpc.co.uk)

## From the Parish Registers

**Funeral – we extend our sympathy to the family of:** 21 March – Robert Sydney Simmons

**May Newsletter Deadline:** Sunday 20 April (Easter Sunday). Items to the Vicarage please or email [janicemassy@btinternet.com](mailto:janicemassy@btinternet.com). For newsletter queries, please phone Janice Massy 851519.