

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 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. On the 2nd Sunday each month.

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

Sorry, no Golden Green service in February

Ash Wednesday – 18 February at 8pm

A Deanery Service will be held at All Saints, Brenchley where Bishop Given from Kondoa in Tanzania, one of our Diocesan links, will be preaching. No separate service in St Mary's.

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 – www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk
Contributions to 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

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 will meet on Wed 4 Feb at 1.45pm in the Upper Room when our own Doreen Etheridge will talk on 'Unlocking London's Churches'. Everyone will be welcome - the more the merrier.

Friends Together meet on Monday 9 Feb, 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 – Saturday 21 Feb, 10am - 12 noon in the Upper Room. Come along for coffee and a chat and buy home-made cakes and produce.

Quiz Night

With fish and chip supper

Saturday 14 March

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.

From the Parish Registers

Funerals – we extend our sympathy to the families of: 13 January – Joan Allen
15 January – Michael John Bagust
16 January – John Ford

HADLOW OPEN GARDENS DAY

St Mary's Church, Hadlow, are planning to hold an Open Gardens Day on Sunday 14 June 2015. A single ticket will enable you to visit several different gardens in the area on one afternoon. However we need gardens to visit! They don't have to be absolutely spick and span or even a grand estate, but interesting with maybe some unusual features. If you would like to share your garden with other horticulturally-minded folk or if you would like more information, please contact Christopher Miles (852323) or Janice (851519).

Note to Regular Contributors

For many years, all costs of producing the Newsletter have been borne by St Mary's church as a service to the parish. We welcome local groups and organisations to publicise their events and meetings in the newsletter. However, our costs over the years have risen. If your club or organisation uses the newsletter regularly, we would be grateful for any contribution towards our costs of producing it. Please send any donation to the Vicarage, Maidstone Road, Hadlow TN11 0DJ. Thank you

Clubs, Societies & Social

Hadlow Flower Club meets on Tues 10 February 7.30pm for 8pm in Hadlow Old School Hall when Christine Brazier give a floral demonstration 'Around the World in 80 Minutes'. All welcome to our friendly club, flower arrangers or not. More information from Shirley 367173 or Mary 851212.

Hadlow Gardeners Society meets on 16 February when Anne Davies will be talking about Winter Plants. Meeting starts at 8pm in the Old School Hall. More details from Jenny Bubb: 365873.

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Hadlow Village Craft Club If you are interested in joining a monthly craft club please come along to a planning meeting on Monday 16 February at 7pm at 22 Maltings Close, Hadlow. I have a list of interested parties and would like to arrange for us all to meet and plan. Please telephone 851156 for further enquiries. Hope to see you then. Lorraine Vinson

Hadlow Historical Society The next meeting is on Tuesday 24 February at 8pm in St Mary's Upper Room when Patsy Erskine-Hill will talk about 'Peter the Great and the making of Modern Russia. Remembering World War One' New members and visitors welcome. Annual subscription £8, visitors £2 per evening.

Footsteps Theatrical Workshop FREE Taster Trials for ballet & tap, lyrical & contemporary, jazz & modern, singing & drama, musical theatre. ISTD ballet & tap exam classes offered. Adults: Over 50's for Dancercise & beginners tap. Classes at Hadlow Primary School & Old School Hall. For information on any of the above please contact Alison on 01732 850903 or email: footstepsworkshop@hotmail.co.uk website: www.footstepsworkshop.co.uk

Hadlow Seniors Pop In Club meets every Thursday, from 10am to 12 noon 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, Jill Brown 851403 or Carol Markwick 850413.

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

St Mary's Hospital Car Service Need transport to a medical appointment? Ring Linda Moore 01732 356981.

Hadlow Parish Council

Hadlow Parish Council meeting: Monday 9 February, 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 February, 9.30-10.30am and at Victoria Road (cul-de-sac), Golden Green on Saturday 21 February, 9.30-10.30am.

2015 Parish Elections: If you are intending 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.

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

Library News

Reading Group 1 meets on Tues 3 Feb at 11am in the library to discuss Anthony Trollope's 'Dr Thorne'.

Reading Group 2 meets on Tuesday 20 February from 10-11am to discuss 'World without End' by Ken Follett. 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.

Spanish Talk Time. Thursdays at 4.15pm. Brush up your Spanish or learn the basics for your holiday.

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

coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Nurses: Tues 10 February 10am-noon in the Library. All welcome.



Hadlow College

Winter Colour Tours

15, 21, 22, 28 Feb 1 March, 11am & 2pm

Hadlow College's Broadview Gardens are open 360 days of the year *free of charge*. During February and March the College offers tours, usually led by head gardener Alex Rennie, featuring the College's National Collection of Hellebores and a great deal more besides: thousands of bulbs and early varieties will be in bloom, the large bed of yellow, crimson and orange dogwoods can cheer even the dullest days, the snowdrops are stunning; iris reticulata grows in wooded areas - and winter aconites positively glow. *Tickets £3 each, pre-booking essential. Telephone: 01732 853211 for more information.*

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 available from Broadview Garden Centre. Multi award winning floral designer Mig shares his passion with his new collection of work for spring 2015.

Thank you

The family of Joan Allen wish to thank all those who attended her funeral service and gave donations to the Stroke Association. Special thanks to Glad and Betty for their friendship to Joan whilst living at Littlefields, to Carol for her support over the past two years, and to those from St Mary's who took her home communion.

March Newsletter Deadline: Sunday 15 February. Items to the Vicarage please or email janicemassy@btinternet.com. For newsletter queries, phone Janice Massy 851519.