

HADLOW NEWSLETTER

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Mon	9:00 Morning Prayer – St Mary's Church: 4:45 - 5:45 pm Junior Lyrical dance. Senior Lyrical dance 6:45 - 7:45 pm. School
Tues	9:00 Morning Prayer - Church 9:30-10:00 Story Time - Library 10:00-12:30 Tania's Art Class – Maidstone Rd Tuesdays: 4:45 - 6:15pm Little Rascals (All Singing, Dancing & Acting fun club for Primary School ages). OSH
Wed	9:30 Holy Communion - Church 10:30-12:00 Coffee Pots & Tiny Tots 50p/family - Church Wednesdays: Footsteps, Senior ISTD Ballet & Pointe (Experience required). OSH 19:00-21:00 Hadlow Seniors Table Tennis Club – Village Hall 19:30-21:00 Bell Ringing Practice - Church - learners welcome
Thur	9:00 Morning Prayer - Church 9:30-10:30 Vicar's Surgery – Church 10:00-12:00 Senior Pop in Club – OSH – All 14:00-15:00 Knit & Natter – Library
Fri	14:30 Over 50's dancercise Footsteps - OSH 19:15 Choir practice – Church
Sat	8:30am onwards. ISTD Ballet, Tap, Musical Theatre sessions for all ages. OSH, School & Church Footsteps OSH & Hadlow primary
Sun	8:00 Holy Communion 10:00 Parish Eucharist – Crèche available Start Up for 2½-7 year olds <i>Upper Room</i> 7 Up for 7-11 year olds and <i>term time.</i> Ys Up for 11-14 year olds <i>only</i> 11.00 Mass - St Peters RC Church – Maidstone Rd

St Mary's Church: Revd Paul White 850238 www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk

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

St Peter's RC Church, Fr. Peter Murphy: 353984 www.corpuschristi-tonbridge.org.uk

Hospital Car Service: Linda 356981

Parish Office Opening Hours: Tue & Thur 9.30-12:00 Clerk: 851878 or clerk@hadlowpc.co.uk www.hadlowpc.co.uk.

Hadlowcommunity@gmail.com

Deadline for January Newsletter: 8 December. Send to office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Folding Date: Thursday 14 December Facebook/Hadlowcommunity

Hadlow Christmas Fair Saturday 2 December

2pm-4pm in Church Street & St Mary's
Come and buy your Christmas gifts, decorations and home-made cakes. Crafts, Advent rings, books, gifts for children to make and buy, lucky dip, tombola, mulled wine, refreshments and much more.

Please support your local Brownies at their Festive Fundraiser on 10 December in East Peckham Scout Hut, Arts, Crafts, Tombola and Refreshments.

Hadlow WI would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy 2018. We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of the month in the Old School Hall at 7.30. So come along and join us. Visitors are always very welcome £4.00.

Pets Whiskers Training: It's been a great year puppy training in Hadlow Village Hall. We wish you all Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Our classes commence on 19 January and we look forward to our new puppy students for more training with fun and play.

Kent Bucs are going from strength to strength, they do need some sponsors if you can help.

This is my last newsletter edit; from now on you will find me at home, sculpting, making jewellery and writing. Doing the newsletter has opened my eyes to our village and to those that work tirelessly for it. Many people work hard to get the newsletter out and delivered. We have so many things going for us in Hadlow, we have the ingredients to make this a flagship village. Renovating Hadlow Tower proved this even though somehow we lost this great property! We have so many good people who want to help and make a difference, finding our way forward as a whole is key. Thankyou it's been wonderful to meet lots of new people. – Maria

And a huge THANK YOU, Maria, for all the brilliant work you have done for the parish of Hadlow in taking on the newsletter editorship for the past two years and transforming it.

Poppy Appeal: Local collections raised just over £7,000. Thank you to all who contributed and helped.

The Two Brewers: Have their fantastic Christmas menu. They also serve breakfast on Friday & Saturday mornings.

Temporary Road Closure: High House Lane – from 11 December 2017 for up to 5 days Alternative route via Ashes Lane, Higham Lane, Puttenden Road, Hamptons Road. The closure is to enable a water pipe renewal to be carried out by South East Water.

Parish Office Christmas Closure - Closed 12:00 21 December and re-opening Tuesday 2 January 2018. There will be an emergency contact number on the Parish Office Noticeboard.

2018/19 Budget - Parish Council will be finalising the annual budget and precept request at the January meeting.

Winter/Snow Volunteers - Hadlow Parish Council is once again operating a voluntary snow clearance scheme for designated areas within the proximity of the village square and in Golden Green. This is your chance to help the community in which you may live or work. Please contact the Parish Office for more information or to sign up to the scheme: 01732 851878 or clerk@hadlowpc.co.uk

Hy-Arts Centre – YMCA Youth Services are providing a youth club on Tuesday evenings. They are planning some lovely art projects and accept donations of ribbons, buttons & plastic tops from milk cartons & similar, you're welcome to drop donations at the parish office.

TMBC Environmental Champions Award – We are pleased to say that both Golden Green and Hadlow have received awards as recognition of their efforts to keep the Parish Clean by doing an annual litter pick event. Thank you to everyone that took part.

Events in December

Friday 1 December – **Hadlow Primary School Christmas Fair** 3:30pm onwards

Saturday 2 December – **Hadlow Christmas Fair**, 2-4pm in Church Street and St Mary's

Tuesday 5 December 11am in the Library **Reading Group 1** 'The Silkworm' by Robert Galbraith Hadlow Library

Wednesday 6 December **Hadlow Mothers Union** will hold its annual Carol Service at 1.45pm in St Mary's.

Saturday 9 December 10am **Who Let the Dads Out?** For dads with their under 6 year olds – hot drinks and a bacon roll for dads and lots of toys, craft and fun for the kids.

9.15-10.15am **WEEE** collection Hadlow Village Hall car park.

Sunday 10 December - **Beacon Service** — A service devised by and for young people. Activities from 5.30pm, refreshments at 6.15 and worship from 6.30pm. All are welcome – whatever your age!

Monday 11 December 12.45-2.30pm **Friends Together** Open to anyone who has been bereaved. Come along for a chat and make friends. Lunch is provided St Mary's, Upper Room.

7:30pm **Hadlow Parish Council meeting** at Old School Hall (Mulled wine and mince pies at 7pm – please let the parish office know ahead of time if you wish to attend)

Saturday 16 December **Market Stall** 10am-12 noon in the Upper Room. Come along for coffee and mince pies.

9.15-10.15am **Bulky Refuse Lorry** Victoria Road, Golden Green (in cul-de-sac) 9.15-10.15am.

Sunday 17 December - 4.00pm – **Golden Green Carol Service**

6.30pm – **Service of Nine Lessons and Carols in St Mary's**

Tuesday 19 December 10-11am **Library Reading Group 2** 'How to Measure a Cow' by Margaret Forster Hadlow Library

8pm **Hadlow Historical Society** St Mary's Upper Room 'Picture Postcard Hadlow' with Roger Stanley.' We will be running a book stall at St Mary's Church Christmas Fair on 2 December.

Donations of books welcome on the day or contact 850214

Saturday 23 December 9.15-10.15am **Bulky Refuse Lorry:** Hadlow Village Hall car park

Sunday 24 December - Christmas Eve –

10am Holy Communion (said BCP)

4pm Crib & Christingle Service

6.30pm Carols in the Square

11.30pm Midnight Communion (carols from 11pm)

Monday 25 December - Christmas Day –

10am Family Service with Communion in St Mary's

From the Parish Registers

Baptism: We welcome into the family of the church:

19 November – Olivia Mila Foster.

Wedding: We congratulate on their marriage

18 November: Jamie Ashley Ford and Natalie Samantha Harbert.

Funeral: we extend our sympathy to the families and friends of:

13 November – Lindsay Elizabeth Leigh.