

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 10 January at 11.45am. 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.

St Mary's Website – www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk
Contributions to office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Golden Green Services

Held in Golden Green Hall

Sunday 17 January Holy Communion

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.



A huge THANK YOU to all who took part in our first ever Christmas Tree Festival. It was a great success and we were delighted that so many Hadlow groups joined in. Congratulations to Hadlow Pharmacy for their inventive display which was voted the public's favourite Christmas Tree. Thank you also to those who came and supported the event. Visitors were very generous and we raised over £800.

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. Every Wednesday 10.30am-12: craft, singing, music & play. 50p per family includes drink & biscuit.

The Mothers' Union will not be meeting in January. Our next meeting will be our AGM on 3 February with Dave Hopkins and Puppets.

Who Let the Dads Out? For dads with their under 6 year olds. Saturday 9 January, 10am-11.30 in St Mary's – hot drinks and a bacon roll for dads and lots of toys, craft and fun for the kids.

Friends Together meet on Monday 11 January, 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 16 January, 10am-12 noon in the Upper Room. Come along for coffee and a chat and buy home-made cakes and produce.

Borough Councillors' Surgeries 2016 Your Borough Councillors, Jill Anderson and Janet Sergison, will hold a Surgery in the Choir Vestry, St Mary's Church, Hadlow on Saturday 16 January from 10 to 11.30am, 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!

Jack & the Beanstalk

HADS presents their annual pantomime 'Jack & the Beanstalk' at Hadlow Village Hall on Friday 8 and Saturday 9 January. Performances are at 8pm Friday and 3pm and 7.30pm Saturday.

Tickets are available at Hadlow Pharmacy and East Peckham stores, £8 for adults and £5.50 for children and concessions Friday night only.

Come along and join us for fun and laughter for all the family!

Calling Local Artists! June 2016 might seem a long way away, but now is the time that South East Open Studios invites visual artists working in all artistic media to join them next year in opening their studios and inviting the public to step inside. SEOS is an artist-led event running for two weeks in June, and is open to all artists working in Kent and East Sussex. A full colour printed guide and website advertises the artist's details for a whole year. Membership details and online applications are available from the website: www.seos-art.org. Deadline for applications is 31 January 2016, with an early-bird discount if you book by 20 December. For more information contact Hildegard Pax on 852054.

Concert

East Peckham Silver Band

Sunday 31 January at 2.30pm in St Mary's Church.
A programme of well-known tunes and popular classics.

Clubs, Societies & Social

African Drumming workshops in Hadlow! Satisfy your inner drummer and learn the basics of authentic West African rhythms at a beginner's workshop series for adults. Great for mind/body coordination! No experience necessary, just enthusiasm and energy. Dates are Mondays 4 January and 1 & 22 February from 7.30pm in the Upper Room of St Marys Church. Register your interest now at rhythms@thedrumcoach.org (booking essential). Come and sample a 'taster' session for only £5, thereafter attend a series of 4 sessions for only £24. Drums are provided, as is all tuition from friendly and enthusiastic drum tutor. More information available from Peter, at <http://thedrumcoach.org> and website: rhythms@thedrumcoach.org

Indoor Boot Fair Sunday 17 January, in Hadlow Village Hall. Pitches £5 each and refreshments on sale. Please contact Caroline 851247 if you wish to book a pitch.

Hadlow Gardeners Society hold their Winter Social on Monday 18 January at 8pm in the Old School Hall.

Hadlow WI We start the New Year with a talk about the Rogues, Rascals and Rebels of the South East. It is going to be a very interesting evening so join us at the Old School Hall on Tuesday 19 Jan at 7.30. Visitors very welcome £3.00.

Hadlow Historical Society The next meeting is on Tuesday 26 January at 8pm in St Mary's upper room when Anthony Wilson will talk about 'Engineering at the Great Exhibition'. New members and visitors welcome. Annual subscription £10, visitors £2 per meeting. Inquiries to Anne Hughes on 850214.

Footsteps Theatrical Workshop: proudly present their Annual show at the Hazlitt Theatre, Maidstone. **'I Can Do That!'** sums up the spirit of our talented student cast. Dance, drama and singing with professional performances from all ages. Shows on Sat. 6 Feb @ 2:30pm & Sun. 7 Feb 1:30pm. For booking on-line please go to www.hazlitttheatre.com.

Mayor's Charity Quiz Night The Mayor of Tonbridge and Malling's Charity Quiz Night at Hadlow College on Saturday 27 February 2016 at 7pm. For further details please contact the Mayor's Office on 01732 876036/876005 or e-mail mayors.office@tmbc.gov.uk

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

Hadlow Country Fair will take place again this year. The date will be Sunday June 26 June from midday until 4pm at the cricket ground – same format as last year. Any club or local organisation can be there for free – we only ask for a donation from sales. The booking form for stalls is on our website www.hadlowcc.org.uk. For more information please email hcf2015@btinternet.com

Hellebore Tours at Hadlow College

Led by Head Gardener Alex Rennie. Tours start at 11am and 2pm on Sunday 21 February, Thursday 25 February, Saturday 27 February, Sunday 28 February, Saturday 5 March and Sunday 6 March. Tickets are £3 per person and can be booked with Pat Crawford, Hadlow College, Hadlow, TN11 0AL. Cheques should be made payable to Hadlow College and an SAE enclosed.

Library News

Reading Group 1 meets on Tuesday 5 January at 11am in the library to discuss 'The Day Job' by Mark Wallington. **Reading Group 2** meets on Tuesday 19 January to discuss 'The Bees' by Lahne Paull. 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 into the library or phone 851794 to make an appointment.

Story Time for younger children and their carers takes place on Tuesdays from 9.30 – 10am.

The **'Knit & Natter'** group meets Thursdays from 2-3pm. New members welcome. Inquiries to the library on 851794.

Hadlow Parish Council

Hadlow Parish Council needs YOU! Are you passionate about your local community? Do you have a desire to support local people and projects? Would you like to voice your opinions on local issues or services? Do you have some spare time and wish to do something useful? If you answer 'yes' to any of these questions then we need you. Hadlow Parish Council has councillor vacancies and would welcome anyone aged 18+ to join us. If you would like more information on the role or perhaps just an informal chat, please contact the Parish Clerk.

Hadlow Parish Council meeting: Monday 11 January, 7.30pm in Golden Green Hall.

Bulky Refuse Lorry and WEEE Collection will be at Hadlow Village Hall car park on Saturdays 9 & 23 January, 9.30-10.30am and at Victoria Road, Golden Green Sat 16 January, 9.30-10.30am.

To dispose of your real Christmas tree, remove all decorations and put the tree in, or next to, your green-lidded bin on your recycling collection day.

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. : www.hadlowpc.co.uk.

From the Parish Registers

Baptism – We welcome into the family of the church: 29 November – Imogen Rose Bennett

February Newsletter Deadline: Sunday 24 January. Items to the Vicarage please or email janicemassy@btinternet.com. For newsletter queries, phone Janice Massy 851519.