

HADLOW NEWSLETTER

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Services in Church:

Sundays:

8.00am – on 1st and 3rd Sundays – a traditional service of Holy Communion

10.00am – Parish Eucharist – also audio streamed via Zoom: for link please email office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Wednesdays: 9.30 am Holy Communion

Epiphany – a family-friendly service on 8th January at 10am to celebrate Epiphany – the arrival of the three wise men.

Morning Prayer. Monday to Thursday at 9am.

Compline Every Thursday at 7.30pm. A short quiet service to end the day.

St Mary's church is open every day between 10am and 4pm.

St Mary's Website – www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk **St Mary's Office Email:** office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Coffee Pots & Tiny Tots

Last session this year will be on Wednesday 7th December. We return after the Christmas break on 4th January.

Seniors' Coffee Mornings,

The first and third Fridays in the month, 10.30am to 12.30pm in church. All welcome.

Café Plus

Every 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Come along to St Mary's Church, 1-3pm to enjoy crafts (knitting, crochet & sewing), good company and a cuppa.

Ladies' Breakfast – Saturday 14th January at 8.30am in St Mary's Upper Room. Come and enjoy a full English in good company! Our Speaker will be Melissa Crawshay-Williams. If you would like to attend please sign up on the sheet at the back of church.

Christmas Tree Festival

Thank you to all the organisations who took part and gave us an inspiring selection of "trees" demonstrating the wealth of talent and imagination in Hadlow. Congratulations go to Hadlow Gardeners for their tree which was voted the public's favourite.

Thank you too to all the organisations, individuals and helpers who took part in the **Christmas Fair** and made it such a successful community event.

Hadlow Advent Windows

A huge THANK YOU to all 24 participants who took part in our community Advent Windows. Your creative and beautiful displays were enjoyed by many.

Prizes for the winners of the children's competition will be handed out at the Epiphany Family Service on Sunday 8th January. The titles of all the songs and carols featured in the windows will be available on St Mary's website in early January: www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Concert in St Mary's Church- East Peckham Silver Band Sun. 29th Jan. at 2.30pm

Come and enjoy a programme of classical and well-loved tunes. Free Admission but donations welcome in aid of the Church and Band Funds. Interval refreshments.

Learn to ring for our new King We want to ring *all* our bells for the Coronation of King Charles III on May 6th 2023. Why not have a go at the British tradition of bellringing? Do it as part of your DofE, Scout or Guide awards, or just for something new to do in the New Year. We practice every Wednesday and we teach ringing from age 10 upwards. Taster sessions at 7-8pm on **4th, 11th, 18th and 25th January**. If you would like to have a go contact Phil Jarvis on pr755jarvis@gmail.com

Hospital Car Service: For transport to a hospital or medical appointment, contact Mike Harvey on 01732 851881 or 07464 548448.

Clubs Societies and Social

Hadlow Historical Society: Tues., 27th Jan. Author Pam Mills will tell us about Policing in Victorian Tonbridge. The talk is at 8 pm in the Upper Room at St. Mary's. Any enquiries to Patricia Richardson (patriciarichardson567@btinternet.com or 01732 850263

Hadlow Seniors Pop-in Club: Our first session of 2023 will be on January 6th from 10-12 in the OSH. We meet every Thursday with activities and refreshments available. Info- Pat Large 850516 or Jenny Hopkins 852386

Hadlow Gardeners: Mon. 16th Jan. at 7:30pm We will be planting up spring bulb troughs. Visitors welcome. Jenny Bubb - 01732 365873 or jenny_bubb@hotmail.com

Hadlow WI: As from Jan. 2023 Hadlow WI will be meeting on the fourth Monday of the month at The Old School Hall, having moved from the Village Hall in December. Our first meeting of the year will be a Poetry Slam and Resolution discussion. For more info. please contact Gill on 01732 850571.

Hadlow Parish Council

The next **Parish Council Meeting** is on Jan. 9th 2023 at 19.30pm in the Old School Hall.

Annual Parish Meeting – Monday 13th March – please do send any items for this agenda to the Clerk by the end of February – this is the community's opportunity to discuss the future of the Parish

Hadlow Community Breakfast: Sun. 8th Jan. 9am to 11am Book ahead of time for your place. £4 for full English.

Precept 2023-24 – for details contact the Parish Office

Clerk: clerk@hadlowpc.co.uk or 851878 For all your community information.

Hadlow Parish Council official Twitter and Facebook accounts to keep you updated. Share photos, news and stories at: [Twitter@HadlowParish](https://twitter.com/HadlowParish), [Facebook@HadlowParishCouncil](https://facebook.com/HadlowParishCouncil), Website www.hadlowpc.co.uk.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2022

Thanks to our generous donors and dedicated house-to-house collectors, the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal in Hadlow District raised over £8000 this year, towards its vital work supporting veterans and their families. Your local Poppy Appeal Organisers are Sean & Anne Waddingham (gghamlet@outlook.com 01732 850038)

SHOW THE LOVE 2023 The annual celebration of everything we love and want to protect from the worst impacts of climate change coincides with Valentine's Day each year. It involves making green hearts to show our love of our planet. The parish council are leaving the Christmas tree in the square so that we may decorate it with our green hearts. Come to Hadlow Library on Sat. 11th Feb between 10am and 12.30pm to make your own green heart. Free materials and guidance on making your green heart will be available.

Hadlow Village Hall now has a large screen and projection facilities, suitable for film nights, parties, conferences etc. Tues. and Fri. daytime slots are now available. Visit our website or contact us on info@hadlowvillagehall.org

Hadlow Table Tennis Friendly group of over-fifties that meet for non-league every Wed. from 6.45pm-8.15 pm at the Village Hall. This is a social occasion with free tea or coffee, £3.50, first evening is free. Info. Carol Hyams 07727 024433

Hadlow Wigglers is a Dance with exercise class 2pm till 3pm on Mondays at Hadlow Village Hall. It is great fun, lovely leader and a really friendly group of ladies of a certain age. why not give it a try? it's smashing.

Walking Netball: The group has moved indoors! as from Jan. 2023 our Sat. morning sessions will be held at Hadlow Rural School indoor sports hall between 10.30-11.30am £4 a session. For more info. please contact Shirley on shirleyellishost@yahoo.com or 07746476071.

South East Open Studios invites visual artists working in all artistic media to join them in opening their doors and inviting the public to visit their studios. SEOS is an artist-led event running for two weeks in June and is open to all artists and makers working in Kent and parts of East Sussex. A full colour printed guide and website advertises the artist's details for a whole year. Membership details and online applications from the website, <https://www.seos-art.org> Deadline for applications is 31st of Jan. 2023. For more info. contact Georgina Bays; email: georginabays@yahoo.co.uk or 07834157243

Deadline for the February 2023 Newsletter: Fri Jan 20th, 2023. Folding in the church 10am Thur. Jan 26th
Send items to newsletterhadlow@btinternet.com