

HADLOW NEWSLETTER

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Services in Church:

Sundays:

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

Wednesdays: 9.30 am Holy Communion

Morning Prayer. Tuesday to Thursday at 9am.

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

St Mary's church is open every day between 10am and 3pm

If you would like to arrange a wedding or baptism or if you would just like a chat, please contact Fr. Jim Horton: 01732 850238, email: vicar@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

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

January Quiz

Tuesday 9th January starting at 7.30pm. Beat those January blues with our fun monthly quiz. Only £3 per person, big Jackpot! Bar available, free nibbles. Teams of six, so come as a group or join in with others on the evening.

Coffee Pots & Tiny Tots Every Wed. 10.30am including school holidays. All parents and carers with babies and toddlers are welcome. Join in the fun: craft, nursery rhymes, singing, music & play. £1 per family includes coffee & biscuit for carers. Please bring drinks for the children in their own cups.

Seniors' Coffee Mornings: Returns Friday 5th January and then the first and third Fridays in the month, 10.30am to 12.30pm in church. All welcome.

Seniors' Tea at 3 Third Sunday of every month at 3pm in St Mary's. All welcome.

Café Plus: Every 2nd and 4th Wed. in St Mary's Church, 1-3pm for crafts (knitting, crochet & sewing), good company and a cuppa.

2023 Poppy Appeal: Thanks to our generous donors and dedicated house-to-house collectors, the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal in Hadlow District raised over £8000 towards its vital work supporting veterans and their families (find out more at <https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/about-us/armed-forces-community-support>). Your local Poppy Appeal Organisers are Sean & Anne Waddingham (gghamlet@outlook.com 01732 850038)

Food Bank: open EVERY WEEK on Thursdays from 10am to 11am. if you are unable to attend in person, you can email foodbank@stmaryshadlow.org.uk . **Please remember to bring back your bags.**

FREESTYLE FITNESS YOGA every Thurs. at the OSH 1.30-2.30pm £8. Please bring a mat, all abilities welcome. For more info. contact Jayne Nutley 07941930771 email nutley.jayne@yahoo.co.uk

Hadlow Primary School is currently recruiting.

If you think you may be the right person to join our team as a 1:1 Teaching Assistant or a Midday Meals Supervisor please follow the links below or visit our School website for details.

<https://www.kent-teach.com/Recruitment/Vacancy/VacancyDetails.aspx?VacancyId=125230>

<https://www.kent-teach.com/Recruitment/Vacancy/VacancyDetails.aspx?VacancyId=126716>

Pilates: Suitable for all abilities. Improves flexibility and strength, particularly of your 'core' abdominal muscles, lower back and hips. Wednesdays in the Old School Hall, 9.30-10.30am. Contact Sally: sallyspilates@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: Our first talk for 2024 will be on Tuesday, 23rd January at 7.30 pm. We shall be meeting downstairs in the Nave of St. Mary's Church for the rest of this season. This is to help with accessibility issues, and encourage visitors (at only £3 a talk). Our speaker, Geoff Collins will be telling the history of the brave women of the Air Transport Auxiliary of World War II. With the West Malling airfield having played such a key role, this should be very interesting. Contact: Patricia Richardson (patriciarichardson567@btinternet.com - 07876 102572).

Hadlow Seniors Pop-in Club: We meet on Thursdays from 10-12 in OSH. Activities and refreshments available. We are a friendly group. New members always welcome- come and give us a try. Info. Jenny Hopkins 852386

Hadlow Gardeners: will meet at 7:30 pm in the Old School Hall on **Monday 15th January 2024** for a workshop to make flower cards. The annual subscription of £15 is also due. Visitors and new members welcome.

Hadlow Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting – Monday 8th January 2024 at 7.30pm in the OSH.

A BIG Thanks to all those who helped with the Christmas Community Breakfast especially Mel and Mary.

It is hoped that it can be repeated next year.

Made in Kent Food & Drink Awards in Spring 2024

Entries/nominations are free and we would like as many businesses as possible to enter to celebrate the culinary talent across Kent! These awards are dedicated to supporting local businesses in our county and encouraging the community to shop locally. There are twelve categories: The event concludes with a grand celebration at The Bromley Court Hotel on 18th April 2024. More info at <https://www.madeinkentawards.co.uk/>

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

Hadlow Village Hall: Fully Equipped Stage- Projector and Screen- Air Conditioned - Main Hall- Meeting Hall- Fully Equipped and Functional Kitchen- Bar Area (Licensed for alcohol)- Tables and chairs

Regular clubs such as table tennis, Judo, Craft club, fit club and more! We have spaces available for children's birthday parties or any other social events Contact us 07399938059 info@hadlowvillagehall.org

Hadlow Running Club: We aim to meet every Tuesday and Thursday evening at 7pm. We aim to run 5km and the group is welcome to all abilities. Anyone wishing to join should join the Hadlow Running Group on Facebook.

TU3A: Half full or half empty – in my case was there anything in the glass? I want to thank you on behalf of TU3A for your continued support over the past year. It is really appreciated. Next Wednesday TU3A is performing a Christmas entertainment. I will try to keep it a dignified event dressed as a White Rabbit Wishing you a wonderful Christmas and a Healthy New Year.

Hadlow Table Tennis Friendly group of over-fifties that meet for non-league games every Wed. 6.45pm-8.15pm at the Village Hall. Social occasion, £4, first evening is free. Info: Carol Hyams 07727 024433

Walking Netball: welcomes all ladies over the age of 35 years. It doesn't matter if you have no previous experience or have played before. We are currently meeting indoors at Hadlow Rural Community School, the school drive is on the left near the stables, on Sat. mornings between 10.30-11.30am. The cost is £4 a session. For more info. please contact Shirley on 07746476071 or email shirleyellishost@yahoo.com. or just turn up!

From the Parish Register

Funeral: We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of:

27th November – Angela Margaret Hurdle

Deadline for the February Newsletter: Fri. Jan 2024 19th. Folding in the church 10am Thurs. Dec. 25th
Send items to newsletterhadlow@btinternet.com.