

HADLOW NEWSLETTER

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Services in Church:

Sundays:

10.00am – Parish Eucharist –

Candlemas Sunday 2nd February at 10am – All-age communion service

Sunday services 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

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 OfficeEmail:** office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Fr. Jim's February Quiz – Tuesday 11th February 7.30pm.

Only £3 per person. Bar available, free nibbles. Teams of six, so come as a group or join in with others on the evening.

Carols in The Square

A big thank you to East Peckham Silver Band for accompanying this year's Christmas Eve Carols in The Square. The event raised a total £800 to be shared between church funds and the Food Bank.

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

Coffee Mornings for seniors: Next coffee morning will be on Fridays 7th and 21st February – and then on the first and third Fridays of every month. 10.30am to 12pm in church.

Seniors Tea at 3: Sun 16th Feb. – and on the third Sunday of every month in St Mary's. All welcome.

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

Concert- East Peckham Silver Band – Sunday 9th February at 2.30pm

Come and enjoy a programme of classical and band tunes. Free admission but donations are very welcome in aid of the Church and Band funds. Interval tea and cakes.

Friends Together Bereavement Support 2nd Monday of the month from 11am - 12.30pm at the Old School Hall. Anyone who has had a significant bereavement is welcome to join us. Call 07774 891314 for further information

Hadlow Carers Together: We will be meeting twice a month: one hour on every 2nd Monday 1.30-2.30pm and one hour every 4th Friday 10.30-11.30am.

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

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 bag**

Clubs Societies and Social

Hadlow Historical Society: Tues.25th February, at 7.30 pm St Marys Church. We are having an unusual evening. Pam Mills, who specialises in 'criminal' talks (she is a retired policewoman), will take us through "**The Retrial of 1902**" following the death of Frances O'Rourke of Tonbridge. We, the audience, will then act as the Jury as to whether Harold Apted was guilty! Visitors welcome (£3). Contact: Patricia Richardson (07876 102572)

Hadlow Seniors Pop-in Club: We meet on Thursdays 10-12 at OSH. Refreshments and activities available. New members always welcome- for info contact Jenny Hopkins 852386 or Pat Large 850516

Hadlow Gardeners: Monday 17th February at 7.30 pm in the Old School Hall for a talk about 'The Management of a Nature Reserve'. Visitors welcome - £3.

Hadlow Community Allotment: grow fruit and vegetables on land at Hadlow Primary School. Every Sat. 10am - 1pm. It's open to everyone. To visit, contact Steve on wbrainstem@aol.com or Siobhan on 07855 600336.

Hadlow WI: Professor Rob Hurling will be speaking to us about 'The Weird World of Consumer Choice'. Prof. Hurling is an expert in consumer psychology and will give us an insight into what influences the choices we make. New members and visitors are welcome to join us at the Old School Hall at 7.30pm on Monday 24th February 2025. Please email Hadlow@wkwfi.org.uk for further information.

New Year – New Activity? Why not give bell ringing a go? We practice on Wednesdays from 7:30pm. Contact HadlowRinging@gmail.com or 07973 123323 to find out more!

Hadlow Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting – Monday 10th February 2025 at 7.30pm in the OSH.

Next Community Breakfast Sunday 16th February

Wanted! Your community needs you! Vacancies for Coopted Parish Councillors. An interest in local matters, maintenance of parish halls, fields, and cemetery, running the community buses. A wide and varied occupation that only takes a few hours of your time. Contact the Parish Clerk for info.

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. Facebook@HadlowParishCouncil. Website www.hadlownc.co.uk

Hadlow Village Hall - Early notice of another Quiz with Fish & Chips and raffle to be held on Saturday 1st March 2025 at 19:00 - doors open at 18.30. Tickets are £15 each - teams of up to 6 people. To book please ring HVH on 07399 938059 or send email to info@hadlowvillagehall.org. Cut-off date for booking a table is Tuesday 25th February 2025

Golden Green Annual Quiz Sat 8 Feb, Mission Hall, Golden Green, 6.30 for 7pm start. £10pp, including choice of fish, veggie burger or sausages, all with chips. Bring your own drinks & snacks. Max 8 per team. Book a table or join a team on the night. Booking essential by Monday 3 Feb - contact gabrielle.lear@hotmail.co.uk

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

Hadlow Walking Netball Group welcomes all ladies over the age of 35 years. It doesn't matter if you have no previous experience or have played before, all are welcome. We meet on a Saturday morning (term time only) between 10.30-11.30 at Hadlow Rural Community School TN11 0AU. On the same site as Hadlow College. The cost is £4 a session. For more information please contact Shirley on 07746476071 or email shirleyellishost@yahoo.com

From the Parish Registers

Funeral: 6th January – we extend our sympathy to the family and friends of **Ivor Norman Brown**.

Deadline for the March Newsletter: Fri. Feb 14th.2025 Folding in the church 10am Thurs. Feb 20th
Send items to newsletterhadlow@btinternet.com.