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: 9.30am Holy Communion **Morning Prayer.** Tuesday to Thursday at 9am

Backpack Blessing Service Sunday 7th September at 10am.

All children, teachers, educators – and everyone! – are encouraged to bring their backpack or school bag for a blessing at the start of the school year. Followed by refreshments.



Holiday at Home Two days of friendship, chat, activities and meals for seniors. Friday. 5th 10.30-2pm and Saturday 6th September. 10.30 – 12 noon. Booking essential. For more info and to book, please contact Jenny Hopkins 01732 852386

Sunday 28th September will be Fr. Jim's last Sunday service with us before he moves to Holy Trinity, Lamorbey in Sidcup. All welcome to attend.

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

Harvest Festival: 5th October 10am Service in Church

All welcome to come and celebrate Harvest at this shorter thanksgiving service.

Refreshments afterwards. Come and see the Harvest displays by our community.

(Said Holy Communion service will be at 9am)

We welcome Harvest displays from any community groups, contact office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Harvest Gifts will be donated to the Community Storehouse food bank in Paddock Wood.

Hadlow Scarecrow Trail! Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st Sept.

Come along and see village scarecrows on the theme of TV Legends. Starts at church: pick up a map and enjoy the creativity shown by Hadlow residents and groups, then pick your favourite. If you would like to take part or would like more details, please contact Kirsty on hadlow.scarecrowtrail@gmail.com



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

Coffee Mornings for seniors: On Friday 19th September, coffee (or tea!) for seniors will move to 2pm due to a visiting group to church. All welcome; come and meet friends. All other months it takes place between on the first and third Friday of the month, 10.30am-12pm

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

Hadlow Carers Together every month in church on the 2nd Monday 1.30-2.30, and 4th Friday 10.30-11.30.

Yoga in Hadlow, Tues 5:45-6:45pm at St Marys Church. A slow gentle, strength building, calming class for all levels, beginners welcome! Try your first class for £5, Contact Natalie hello@happynatyoga.com or 07813623266.

Food Bank: will be closed from the beginning of July. Should anybody require food bank services, there is a food bank at Tonbridge Baptist Church on Mons., Weds & Frids, by referral; also community larders with fresh food at St Stephen's on Sat. mornings and Tonbridge Methodist Church on Wed. mornings. www.feast.org.uk. **Hospital Car Service** If you would like transport to a hospital or other medical appointment, please contact Mike Harvey on 01732 851881 or 07464 548448

Clubs Societies and Social

Hadlow Historical Society: Our new season begins on Tues, 23rd Sep, at St. Mary's Church, at 7 pm for7.30. We are delighted that Martin Crowther can join us again. He will be telling us about **Chaucer's Medieval Pilgrims.** Let's say hello to current and new members: we have kept the subscription at £15.00. (Cash or cheque at the door). Visitors welcome. The donation is £4. Our 2025-26 programme will be available at the desk. Contact Patricia Richardson, hadlowhistory@gmail.com or 07876 102 572 for info.

Hadlow Seniors Pop-in Club: We meet on Thursdays 10-12 at OSH. We meet again on Sept. 4th at 10-12 OSH For info Jenny Hopkins 852386 or Carol Markwick 859413

Hadlow Gardeners: will be holding their Autumn Show on **Sat. 6**th **Sept** Our monthly meeting is on **Mon. 15th Sept.** at **7.30 pm** in the Old School Hall. Caroline Jackson will be talking to us about "Foraging". Visitors welcome £3. Contact Jenny Bubb for more details - 01732 365873 or jenny_bubb@hotmail.com

Hadlow WI: will be welcoming Rachel Moon from Inner Balance Tai Chi Centre on Mon. 22nd Sept. Rachel will be giving us some history about Tai Chi and then demonstrating some of the exercises which we can join in with, either standing or seated. New members and visitors are welcome to join us at the OSH at 7.30pm, email https://example.com/hat-numbers/hadlow@wkfwi.org.uk for more information.

Hadlow Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting – Monday 8th Sept 19.30 in the OSH.

Community Breakfast – Sunday 21st Sept. 9am to 11am. In May the Community Breakfast donated £100 to the Hadlow Community Minibus Scheme so thank you to all those that come along for a hearty breakfast and support this scheme. The Breakfasts are open to everyone so please do bring family and friends. £5 for full English and tea/coffee and great company.

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.hadlowpc.co.uk

HADLOW VILLAGE HALL - Early notice of a **Boot Sale** we are planning for **Sunday 21st Sep. from 10.00 - 14.00.** The cost of a table will be £7.00. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase. If you are interested, please ring **HVH on 07399 938059** or send an email to <u>info@hadlowvillagehall.org</u>

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

Friends Together Bereavement Support: Second Monday of the month from 11am - 12.30pm at the OSH. Anyone who has had a significant bereavement is welcome to join us. Call 07774 891314 for info.

Chair Yoga class. Every Wednesday at 11.30-12.30. OSH It is a relaxed enjoyable seated yoga class led by instructor Machelle. The class is enjoyed by around 11 lovely ladies each week. Cost is £4. For more info please contact Rebecca.Newton@tmactive.co.uk

Hadlow Walking Netball Group: will be back in action on Sat. 6th Sep. New members welcome! Walking Netball is suitable for all ages and abilities. Experience not needed or knowledge of the rules to join. Join us for a FREE taster session on Sat 6th Sept at Hadlow Rural Community School 10.30-11.30 contact Shirley on 07746476071 or email shirleyellishost@yahoo.com

From the Parish Registers

Baptisms: we welcome into the family of the church:

6th July 2025 – Kathryn Alice Lamey and Isobel Charlotte Lamey

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

18th August 2025 – Patricia Large