

Tanzania

Hadlow Primary School will be holding fundraising events over the next few months for the staff that will be going to Kibakwe with Liz, Clifford and Cathy in May. It would be great if we could support these events:

Jumble Sale: Giving days 21/22 February - sale day 24th February at 3.30pm to be held at Hadlow School.

£50 note board: ongoing

Builder Bear: to be arranged

Gig Live Music: 21st April at 8.30pm, venue : Hadlow Primary School. Tickets will be on sale soon.

Books

Books can be ordered on your behalf from **Tonbridge Christian Resource Centre**; this allows **St Mary's** to benefit from discounts the shop offers.

Monthly Newsletter

If you have a notice for an event that needs wider coverage then please contact Janice Massy on 851519 or by email to janicemassy@btinternet.com The newsletter goes to every house in the parish.

The newsletter can be downloaded from the Parish Website.

Hospital Car Service

If you need transport to an appointment please ring Linda Moore 01732 356981

Who's who at St Mary's?

Vicar

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Parish Administrator/Website Contact

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Office Hours

Tuesday 10.00am – 3.00pm
Thursday 8.30am-1.30pm

Current PCC Members, any of whom can be approached for help or information

Rev Gwen Smith,
Rev Clifford Stocking,
Gill Norman, Barry Wheeler (Church Wardens) and Freddie Shaw (Treasurer), David Gater, Janet Greenwood, Jan Morley, Richard Morley (Deanery Synod Representatives), Judith Deckers, Liz Derrick, Kelly Good, Eve Griffiths, Francis Griffiths and Mike Smith

PCC Secretary

Jane Wilson
office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk
Minutes of PCC meetings are on the notice board

St Mary's News: Sunday 12th February 2012

Please switch hearing aids to "T". Large print hymn books and service sheets available

Parish Website : www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Today

Second Sunday before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Eucharist
(Communion Hymn 108)

Readings

Colossians 1: 15-20
John 1: 1-14



The Collect for the Second Sunday before Lent

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

Amen

Next Sunday

Sunday before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Eucharist

Readings

2 Corinthians 4: 3-6
Mark 9: 2-9



Prayers for the Week

We pray today for those who work in agriculture and horticulture in the parish and for Richard & Sarah West celebrating their first anniversary of marriage.

We pray for those who have recently died

Dr Margaret Marshall
James Dunford

And from "Year's Mind" we remember

William Ian Campbell (16th)
Bob Cowx (18th)

Names for Year's Mind are taken from the Book of Remembrance in the Lady Chapel. If you would like a loved one remembered, please complete a form and the name will be put in the book

Please let Gwen know if you would like to add to the Intercessions. A daily prayer list is produced each month and the prayers can found in the Rochester Link and at www.rochester.anglican.org

This Week

Monday

8.30am Morning Prayer
12.45pm Friends Together

Tuesday

8.30am Morning Prayer

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion
10.30am CPTT
4.30pm Ministry Team
Bell Ringing Practice
8.00pm Extra PCC Meeting

Thursday

8.30am Morning Prayer

Friday

7.00-8.45am Choir Practice

Saturday

9.30am Market Stall
6.45pm Hadlow Orchestra

Fuller details of all St Mary's activities can be found on the notice board by the north porch door, in the "forthcoming events" sheet or on the website. The weekly news sheets can be downloaded from the site.

Are you a UK taxpayer?

For every pound you Gift Aid to St Mary's, the government will add 25p. It can also be claimed retrospectively. Gift Aid envelopes available for one off cash donations. You can also gift aid donations to charity appeals. Please contact Geoff Morgan (01732 832843).

We record the 10am Service. If you would like a copy please speak to the Church Wardens

**The Church is Open
Monday to Friday
between 2pm – 4pm**

Palm Crosses for Ash Wednesday

Please could you let Gwen have your palm crosses by Sunday 19th February.

Are you new?

Welcome to St Mary's!

Please pick up a welcome booklet.



Visitors are warmly



welcome to join us

for refreshments in the Upper Room after the 10.00am service.

Crèche

Crèche facilities are available all year during the 10am service in the Upper Room, but during special services parents are asked to supervise their own children



For children and young people

Activity Bags for younger children are in baskets at the back of the church. Books, crayons etc in the children's corner

Sunday Groups

(Term time only)

Splash: 2½-5 year olds

High Fives: 5-8 year olds

Cloud 9: 9-11 year olds

Heaven 11: 11-14 year olds
(meets fortnightly)

All Visitors' Children are Welcome

Services

Ash Wednesday Service

There will be a deanery service held at St. Peter Church (Upper Church), Pembury on 22nd February 2012 at 8pm. If you require transport please see Gwen or Clifford.

Urgent request for help!

This year we are hoping to run a holiday club on the 10th, 11th and 12th April – if you are able to help us with this, either just for part or for all the days concerned, please could you let Kelly Good or Clifford know as soon as possible!

The theme is: Earth, Wind and Fire a Pentecost experience.

Notices

Date of the APCM

The APCM for the year ended 31st December 2011 will take place on **Monday 26th March 2012 at 8pm in Church.** Details of how to obtain a copy of the papers for this meeting will be given nearer the time.

Revision of the Electoral Roll

The existing Electoral Roll (ER) will be revised during the period **13 February to 5 March 2012.** *Inclusion on the ER is necessary in order to be able (a) to attend & vote at the APCM, (b) to nominate or second a person for election to the PCC or deanery synod and (c) to stand for election to the PCC or deanery synod. Application forms for enrolment on the ER are available at the West end of the Church – please give completed forms to the Churchwardens or David Gater.*

Election of Churchwardens

The Churchwardens of a parish are chosen annually (not later than 30 April) by a meeting of the parishioners (normally at the same time as the APCM). Therefore

nominations for the posts of churchwarden (2) for St Mary's, Hadlow are now sought for the 2012/2013; 12 month period. Nomination forms are available at the West end of the Church (completed forms to the Churchwardens or to David Gater).

Events

The Earth in our Hands

A series of lectures for Lent on the environment. **Wednesday** evenings starting on the 29th February for 5 weeks 7.30-9.30pm at The Anglican & Methodist Church of St. Andrew, Paddock Wood. ***If you wish to attend can you please put your name on the list at the back of Church and please indicate whether you can give lifts or whether you require transport.***

Talk – 14th March 2012

Ben Freeth MBE, Dr John Sentamu & Dr Paul Negrut are speaking at The Royal Geographical Society, Kensington Gore at 7.00pm. Tickets available; ring 850853 for details.

**Men's Breakfast
Saturday 24th March
At 8.00am**
See Pete if you wish to attend.