

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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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
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Minutes of PCC meetings are on the notice board

St Mary's News: Sunday 19th February 2012

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

Parish Website : www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Today

Sunday before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Eucharist
(Communion Hymn 175)

Readings

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



The Collect for the Sunday before Lent

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Next Sunday

First Sunday of Lent

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Eucharist

Readings

1 Peter 3: 18-end
Mark 1: 9-15



Prayers for the Week

We pray today for those who live in Bourne Park and Hartlake Road.

We pray for those who have recently died
James Dunford
Kenneth Charles Smithers

And from "Year's Mind" we remember
Ada Gilpin (20th)
Laurence John Handley (21st)
John Walter Skelton (23rd)

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 be found in the Rochester Link and at www.rochester.anglican.org.

This Week

Monday

8.30am Morning Prayer

Tuesday

8.30am Morning Prayer

7.30pm PCC Meeting

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion

10.30am CPTT

1.00pm Funeral in Church of James Dunford and afterwards at Hadlow Cemetery

4.30pm Ministry Team

Bell Ringing Practice

8.00pm Ash Wednesday Service at Pembury

Thursday

9.30am Holy Communion at Golden Green

Friday

7.00-8.45am Choir Practice

Saturday

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 'TODAY'.

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.

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).

Nominations for election to the PCC and the deanery synod

There will be 3 PCC vacancies and 1 deanery synod vacancy to be

filled at this coming APCM. 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.***

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

HELP WANTED

Newsletter folding in church at 10am on Thursday 23rd February. Any volunteers who would like to join us, would be most welcome.
Thanks Carol