

St Mary's News: Sunday 11 August 2019

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: St. Marys Hadlow

Today

8th Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

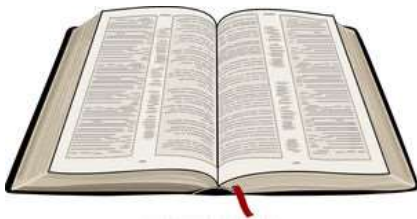
Anthem: God's Garden – Lambert

Voluntary: Fugue "St Anne" – J.S. Bach

Readings:

Hebrews 11. 1-3, 8-16

Luke 12. 32-40



The Collect for the 8th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Next week

Patronal Festival

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

Readings:

Revelation 11.19 – 12.6, 10

Luke 1. 46-55



Prayers for the Week

We pray for all who live in
Common Road and Matthews
Lane;

We pray for those who have recently died:

Tony Cooper

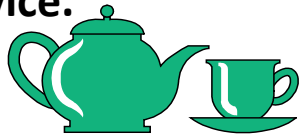
And from our Book of Remembrance we pray for:

Rupert Livett (15th)

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

Welcome to St Mary's!

Visitors are warmly welcomed; please join us for refreshments in the Upper Room after the 10am service.



This week at a glance

Monday

9am Morning Prayer
12.45pm Friends Together
6pm Compline

Tuesday

9am Morning Prayer
6pm Compline

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Coffee Pots & Tiny Tots
1-3pm Café Plus
6pm Compline
7.30pm Bell Ringing practice

Thursday

9am Morning Prayer
6pm Compline

Friday

7.15pm Choir Practice

Saturday

10am Saturday Coffee
1pm Wedding: Adam Walker &
Katrina Shannon
6.45pm Hadlow Orchestra
practice

For Children and Young People

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



Sunday Groups will start up again in September

JAM (Jesus and Me) – up to 11 yrs
Christ in Action – 11 years +
These take place during the 10am service.

All Visitors' Children are Welcome

Café PLUS

Wednesday 14 August
1pm – 3pm in St. Mary's
Cream Teas will be served (for a small donation to church funds).
Come along for coffee/tea and friendly chat, plus optional knitting, craft or other activities.
Everyone is very welcome

Hospital Car Service

If you need transport to a hospital or medical appointment, please contact Mike Harvey on 01732 852564.



Saturday

Saturday Coffee will take place as usual this month on 17 August. Held downstairs in church from 10am – 11.30am. Come along for coffee, biscuits, chat and buy home-made cakes and produce.

Wednesday Study Group

Wednesday 18 September in St Mary's.

Our final study on the fruits of the spirit will be Love – the most important. We can all find many references to love in the Bible, practically the whole of it!

Hadlow Scarecrow Trail

21 and 22 September,

This year with the theme of 'Nursery Rhymes and Fairy Tales'. Fun for all the family! Prize money of £100 for the best Scarecrow, kindly donated by MKA Architects.

Contact Kirsty for information at: hadlow.scarecrowtrail@gmail.com Closing date to enter is 23 August.



Deputy Verger Needed URGENTLY

We need a deputy verger to cover for times when our verger Anne Hughes is unavailable. The verger assists at weddings, baptisms and funerals. Training will be given. For more information, please speak to Anne, Paul or Nicky.

Why Not Have a Go?

We are looking for more servers to join our current team. Would you like to have a go at this role before committing to joining the rota? Training or supervision will be provided if required. Please speak to Paul or any member of the serving rota.

Children's Society Boxes

If you still have your box at home, please do bring it along to church.

The May Family Mausoleum St. Mary's Churchyard,

Descendants of Walter Barton May (d.1853) or Elizabeth Barton May (d. 1863) or persons interested in the future of the May family memorial vault are requested to contact: Hadlow Parish Council, Old School Hall, Hadlow, Kent, TN11 0EH no later than 31 December 2019.

Reflection

Based on Luke 12. 32-40

“You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

Jesus is not just inviting us to be awake, to be ready, and to be watchful. “Blessed are those whom he finds alert.” He is calling us to be fully alive and to remain alive. Blessing and life are synonymous in God’s kingdom. It is as if Jesus is saying to us, “Be alert, be blessed, and I will come and serve you. I will feed you the bread of life. I will serve you the cup of salvation.”

All of this, Jesus says, happens at an unexpected hour. Like a thief in the night the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

So when is the unexpected hour? When will all this happen? Well, maybe the most unexpected hour is today, right here, right now.

The most unexpected hour is the hour spent in the hospital waiting room; the hour sitting next to the phone waiting for news of a loved one; the hour praying for a miracle; the hour in which we wait for clarity and a way forward; the hour waiting for the grief to end and life to return to normal; the hour in which it seems as if nothing is happening and life is not the way we want.

“You mean he was here today?!”
Yes, right here in the most unexpected hour of your life.

Who's who at St Mary's?

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Martin Massy (01732 851519)

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of all ages – always most welcome!)

Parish Administrator

Janice Massy (01732 850238/851519)
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Office Hours

Tuesday 9.30am – 3pm
Thursday 8.30am – 2pm

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

Rev Paul White; Rev Nicky Harvey; Barbara Smith & Michael Payne; Martin Massy; Francis Griffiths, Val Newell & Kelly Parsons (Deanery Synod reps.); Kirsty Finch; Jack Good; Jenny Hopkins; Julia Miles; Katerina Nixon; Rachel Packham; Lisa Porritt; Mark Totty & other members.

PCC Secretary: Martin Massy

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Minutes of PCC meetings are on the notice board and on St Mary's website.