

St Mary's News: Sunday 9 February 2020

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: St. Marys Hadlow

Today

3rd Sunday before Lent

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

Readings:

Isaiah 58. 1-12

Matthew 5. 13-20



The Collect for the 3rd Sunday before Lent

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Next week

2nd Sunday before Lent

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Eucharist

Readings:

Genesis 1.1 – 2.3

Matthew 6. 25-34



Prayers for the Week

We pray for all who live in Kelchers Lane and Medway View.

We pray for those who have recently died:

Marie Tuxford

Pauline Muriel Males

At the anniversary of his death this week, we pray for

Thomas Maher

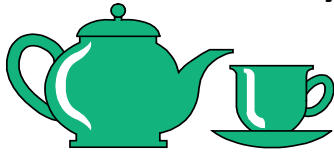
And from our Book of Remembrance we pray for:

John Albert Leonard Wenham
(7th)

Mary Weld-Smith (11th)

Welcome to St Mary's!

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



This week at a glance

Monday

9am Morning Prayer
12.45pm Friends Together

Tuesday

9am Morning Prayer
11am Visit by Hadlow School's
Chestnut class,
5.30pm Yoga

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30 Coffee Pots & Tiny Tots
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

Thursday

9am Morning Prayer
11am Funeral: Pauline Males

Friday

7.15pm Choir Practice

Saturday

10am Saturday Coffee

St Mary's Upper Rooms are available to hire at very reasonable cost. Please contact the Vicarage Office at office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

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

Held in the Upper Room during the 10am service in term-time:

JAM (Jesus and Me) – up to 11 yrs
Christ in Action – 11 years +

All visitors' children are welcome

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

We all have special anniversaries – some joyous and some sorrowful. The flower ladies invite you to mark your special times by placing flowers in St Mary's niche: anything from a single rose, or bunch of flowers in a vase will be more meaningful and just as lovely as any others. Flower ladies will continue to place flowers on the pedestal and lectern shelf, and would be delighted to welcome any who would like to join us. For help and more information, please contact Carol Wickham 01732 851139 or anyone on the flower rota.





Quiz Night with hot supper

Saturday 29 February at 7pm.

A fun and friendly quiz evening to test your grey cells – this year with a special round for children! Teams of up to six, entry £10 adults, £3 children, bring your own drinks. To book your place, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church or contact Janice 851519 office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Rev Paul's Sabbatical

Just a reminder that Paul's sabbatical starts soon, and that he will be away from St Mary's from 1 March to 31 May. A sabbatical (or 'extended study leave') is given to all Church of England clergy after 10 years service (Paul is a couple of years overdue!) and is intended to give them fresh experiences in order to refresh and renew their ministry. Paul will be spending time in Africa working with Mission Aviation Fellowship and, doubtless, will tell us all about it on his return. During Paul's absence the parish office will be open as usual on Tuesdays and Thursdays, all ministerial enquiries should be directed to Rev Nicky and our church-wardens also remain on hand. Please remember Paul and MAF during his time away.

Saturday

This coming Saturday, 15th Feb at 10am–12pm. Come along for coffee, biscuits and a chat, and buy home-made cakes and produce.

Lent Course

This year's Lent Course will be based around the film "The King's Speech". It starts on 27 February and will run twice a week: Thursdays at 1pm (12.30pm with lunch), and Saturday mornings at 8am with a bacon roll. If you would like to attend please sign up on the sheet at the back of church. The course book costs £5; to order a copy, please indicate on the sign-up sheet. There will be a showing of the film before the course starts; date and time to be advised.

'Focus on Faith' Bible Day

Wednesday 18 March, 9.15am-

2.15pm at Ryarsh Village Hall

About 6 of us usually go to these days along with about 100 others. Jean Kerr will be speaking on the subject 'I Can See Clearly'. Jean is well known in Rochester Diocese but has also done a lot speaking both here and abroad.

Good teaching, good singing. good soup and sandwich lunch. Cost £10. Booking essential: contact Julia Miles.

World Day of Prayer 2020

Friday 6 March at Tonbridge Methodist Church, Higham Lane. 10am-11.15am followed by refreshments. All welcome at this service for everyone. This year's theme: Rise! Take your Mat and Walk was developed by women in Zimbabwe.

Prayer Bringing Salt and Light

God of grace and glory,
we are so grateful for the
leadership of extraordinary
people,
shining light into the darkness of
climate disaster,
transforming a curse into a
blessing,
the gift of salt into a new harvest of
hope.

Make us like that, Lord,
so that our faith is not in our
words but in our lives,
not in what we say, but in what we
do;
passing on your love like the salt
that blesses,
like a city on a hill, like a lamp on a
stand,
light for life, your light for the
world.
Amen



from Christian Aid website

Who's who at St Mary's?

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of all ages – always most welcome!)

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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.