



Trinity 12

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Next Sunday is our last Zoom-only service and, therefore, we are fast-approaching our first 're-gathered' service on Sunday 6th September. We are having to limit numbers at that service, and are introducing a new system to help with this, We want everyone who wishes and is able to get back into church as soon as possible.

Sunday 30 August

The Zoom code for this service is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88124205881?pwd=K3JDTnRpK2VIYmpSSEtMbjNtdWJaUT09>

Meeting ID: 881 2420 5881, Passcode: 612315

This will work for both the service at 10.00 am and the post-church chat at 11.00 am in the usual way.

Wednesday 2 September

There are currently two (single) places or four (bubble) spaces left to attend the 9.30 am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel. If you would like to come to this service please email me at pauljohnwhite@gmail.com or call me on 01732 850238.

Sunday 6 September

This service will be our first Sunday as a 're-gathered' church, but will also be streamed on Zoom for those who are unable to attend for any reason. The Zoom code for this week is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86911631869?pwd=ZnJTM0k1UU03Vk96RlhPZFpCbVZSQ09>

Meeting ID: 869 1163 1869, Passcode: 157634

We would love as many people as possible to attend this service in person. However, because of the covid-19 restrictions, we estimate a maximum of between 30-40, depending on how many people in 'bubbles' attend.

To help us with numbers (and to ensure no one is disappointed on the day) John Speed has created an account for us at the ticketing website Eventbrite, thank you John.

The link to our booking page is here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/st-marys-hadlow-10-am-sunday-morning-holy-communion-registration-117167185205>

It would be very helpful if you could use this link, if possible. However, if you encounter any difficulties **do please let me know!**

As I mentioned last Sunday not all the spaces for each service will initially be available on Eventbrite. This is to give us some capacity to invite those who don't get the email and to let in one or two who may appear on the morning, as we really don't want to turn people away if we can help it. Please do not be offended if you hear that I have personally invited someone to this service but not you! The people I will invite personally are going to be those who have been most excluded from our online worship, who are probably also those who do not receive the email.

Sunday worship will look different. As you will have already experienced in many other areas of life, things will be different in church, so please be prepared for that. There is more distance between the seats, you will be required to bring and wear a mask, there will be no congregational singing and you will only be able to receive the bread, not the wine, during communion. So, on one level, very different. However, these are all externals. The important thing is that the body of Christ which is us, the church, will be gathered physically around the word of God and around the body of Christ in the Eucharist. As I have said before, and will say again, this is the seed being re-planted and I really hope that you will come and be part of that re-planting and the re-growth of the church here in Hadlow.

Finally, if you have any difficulties or concerns or just want a chat then please do not hesitate to contact me.

God bless,

Rev'd Paul

Collect for Trinity 12

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience
is afraid
and giving us those good things which we are not
worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Today's Readings

Exodus 3: 1-15

Matthew 16: 21-end

Next Week's Readings (Trinity 13)

Romans 13: 8-end

Matthew 18:15-20

Prayers for the Week

We pray for: Hadlow Parish Council, the Primary School and the Medical Centre

At the first anniversary of their marriage this coming week we pray for John and Bin Ba

We pray for those who have recently died:

Joan Mitchell

David Hawkins

Frederick Phillips



Parish News

Wanted: more volunteers for Intercessions We urgently need more people to lead the prayers during our Sunday services in church. If you would be willing to join the rota please contact Janice. Guidance will be given.

Nicky's Licensing as Vicar of Marden will take place on 13th October and will comply with government guidelines for social distancing restrictions at that time. Meantime Nicky is still on secondment at the benefice of Mereworth, Watringbury and West Peckham, but will be returning to Hadlow for a final service at St Mary's on Sunday 27 September at 10am.

Parish Administrator's New Telephone As Janice is now carrying out her Parish Administrator's duties from home, her new contact telephone number for parish business is 07570 941809.

Friends of Kent Churches Ride and Stride

This will take place on Saturday, 12th September. If anyone would like to take part on their bicycles or walking, I have the sponsorship forms. Please let me know in good time as we will try and get some sponsorship for you via the Church news sheet. Also, anyone willing to sit in the church (wearing a mask) for an hour in the morning please let me know. So few cyclists come in the afternoon that I may just leave the church locked with a form for them to sign.

Julia Miles (Tel. 852323) or jmiles46@btinternet.com

Great British Garden Party –Sunday 20 September. Stephanie Ingham is hosting a garden party in support of the National Open Garden Scheme to raise money for vital nursing charities. All at St Mary's Church are invited to come along between 11am and 4pm to her garden at Walnut Tree Cottage, High Street, Hadlow, TN11 0DG. Please RSVP to stephanie_wilcox@hotmail.com

Mrs Polly Hawkins would like to thank all the people of Hadlow for their cards and kind words about David who died on the 11th August at the age of 84 in the village he loved.

Hospital Car Service If you need transport to a hospital or other medical appointment, please contact Mike Harvey on 01732 851881.

Food Bank A reminder that we are there for those in need. If you know of any person or family who might be in need of food support, please do not hesitate to refer them to Paul or either of our Church Wardens.