

St Mary's News: Sunday 6 December 2020

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Today

2nd Sunday of Advent

8am Holy Communion

10am Holy Communion in church
and via Zoom

Readings:

2 Peter 3: 8-15

Mark 1: 1-8



The Collect for the 2nd Sunday of Advent

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

Amen

Next week

3rd Sunday of Advent

8am Holy Communion

10am Holy Communion in church
and via Zoom

Readings:

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-end

John 1:6-8, 19-28



Prayers for the Week

We pray today for all who all who live in Puttenden Road, Pitts Wood and High House Lane.

And from our Book of Remembrance we pray for

Richard Mason (Priest) (8th)

Anne Webster (8th)

Tony George Taylor (9th)

Ronald Frank Barnard (11th)

Nellie Gladys Wratten (11th)

Pamela Mary Brise (12th)

This Week at a glance

Monday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
6pm Compline (F)

Tuesday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
5.30pm Evening Prayer (F)

Wednesday

9.30 Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30 Church open for private
prayer
6pm Compline (F)

Thursday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
5.30pm Evening Prayer (F)

Friday

Saturday

F = services via Facebook

Wanted: more volunteers for Intercessions

Thank you to those who have recently volunteered to take part in this important part of our worship. We are soon to draw up a rota for the new year and would welcome a few more to join it – or just give it a try. Guidance will be given. For more information please contact Paul or Janice.

Welcome to Antony

We extend a very warm welcome to Antony who will be playing for us at today's 10 o'clock service.

CD of Organ Music by Antony le Fleming is now available!



The CD of music played on our superb Alfred Monk organ costs just £10 and is available direct from Antony, email: antle Fleming@gmail.com or telephone 01622 817842. Alternatively, we have some available in church and you could buy one there or contact Janice who could deliver to your door if you live in Hadlow. Makes a great Christmas present!

Hadlow Advent Windows

The first window was unveiled on Tuesday 1st December; this is being followed by a new window display being revealed every day until the 24th – just like an Advent Calendar.

The windows will be lit from 4pm to 9pm.



Follow the Advent Windows Trail.

Trail maps are available in Church, Hadlow Parish Office, Hadlow Pharmacy and Hadlow Bakery. Alternatively, they can be

downloaded from St Mary's website, St Mary's Facebook page, Hadlow Parish Council website and Facebook page, and other

Hadlow community Facebook pages.



Hospital Car Service

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



A Zoomed service of Nine Lessons and Carols

20 December at 6pm



Featuring carols sung by St Martin's Voices, a choir based at St Martin's in the Fields. Do join in with the carols at home but please remain muted unless reading. Zoom link available from Rev'd Paul.

St Mary's Hadlow Foodbank

If you know of anyone in need of some extra food support for any reason, please remember that St Mary's runs an emergency food bank. Anyone who needs help may come to the church on Wednesdays between 10.30am and 12.30pm (no appointment needed) or call Rev'd Paul on 01732 850238. For those who have children in Hadlow Primary School, food help can also be obtained by contacting Sharon Vanns at the school.

In the lead-up to Christmas, donations of seasonal or luxury items would be welcome to spread a little Christmas cheer.



Zoom Coffee

For the time being there will be no Zoom Coffee after the 10 o'clock service.



Reflection

based on Mark 1: 1-8

The attraction of John the Baptist is mysterious. People flocked to him, not to be flattered but to be told the truth. They listened because of what they saw, a man who was indifferent to the world's prizes, a man of minimal needs, who could not be bought by pleasures, comforts or money, but passionate about God. They recognised holiness.

Show me, Lord, what there is about my own life that takes from the value of my words and makes me less convincing.



Who's who at St Mary's?

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

Reverend Paul White; Michael Payne & John Speed; Martin Massy; Val Newell (Deanery Synod rep.); Melissa Crawsham-Williams; Kirsty Finch; Jenny Hopkins; Richard Hopkinson; Janice Massy; Julia Miles; Steve Newell; Katerina Nixon; Lisa Porritt; and other members.

PCC Secretary:

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