

# St Mary's News: Sunday 13 December 2020

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## Today

### 3rd Sunday of Advent

8am Holy Communion

10am Holy Communion in church  
and via Zoom

### Readings:

1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24  
John 1:6-8, 19-28



### The Collect for the 2nd Sunday of Advent

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## Next week

### 4th Sunday of Advent

8am Holy Communion

10am Holy Communion in church  
and via Zoom

### Readings:

2 Samuel 7: 1-11, 16  
Luke 1: 26-38



### Prayers for the Week

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

### **And from our Book of Remembrance we pray for**

Diane Ward (13<sup>th</sup>)  
Dora Wright (14<sup>th</sup>)  
Henry Culshaw (15<sup>th</sup>)  
Robert Knell (16<sup>th</sup>)  
Leonora Gladys Dann (17<sup>th</sup>)  
Raymond Kenneth Walter (17<sup>th</sup>)  
Maurice Thomas Henry Ballefant  
(18<sup>th</sup>)

## 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

7.15pm Choir Practice

### 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.

## 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](mailto: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!

## Zoom Coffee

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



## Hadlow Advent Windows

The first window was unveiled on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December; this is being followed by a new window display being revealed every day until the 24<sup>th</sup> –

just like an Advent Calendar.

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



## Follow the Advent Windows Trail

Trail maps are available at the back of Church, also in 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 other Hadlow



community Facebook pages.

## Thank You

A big Thank You to those who donated so generously towards the superb Christmas tree in church



## Christmas Services

### Sunday 20 December

6pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols via Zoom from St Mary's.

### Christmas Eve – 24 Dec

11.30pm Midnight Communion (carols from 11pm).

### Christmas Day

10am Family Eucharist

## 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 you are doing one of the readings. The Zoom link is available from Rev'd Paul.

## Hospital Car Service

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

## Used stamps for The Leprosy Mission.

It will not be possible for me to put a box in the church this Christmas, but if anyone wants to give me their old stamps between now and the end of January please hand them to me in Church or put them through my letter box at 2 Spa Close, Hadlow (nearly opposite Great Elms). TRIMMED WITH SCISSORS TO ¼ INCH PLEASE.  
*Julia Miles*

### Prayer

**based on John 1: 6-8, 19-28**

*A voice cries out:*

*"In the wilderness prepare the way of  
the LORD,  
make straight in the desert a highway  
for our God.*

Lord, as John the Baptist came to prepare the way for your coming, may we, the church, seek to prepare the way for you to come into the lives of others. Help us so to follow Christ that in all our relationships with other people something of his love may be seen, something of his nature understood.

We ask that by our words, prayers and actions, we may be forerunners for Christ to enter the lives of others.

## Who's who at St Mary's?

### Vicar

The Reverend Paul White  
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### Church Wardens

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### Honorary Treasurer

Martin Massy (01732 851519)  
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### Parish Administrator

Janice Massy (07570 941809)  
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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 Crawshay-Williams; Kirsty Finch; Jenny Hopkins; Richard Hopkinson; Janice Massy; Julia Miles; Steve Newell; Katerina Nixon; Lisa Porritt; and 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.*