

St Mary's News

Sunday 28 March 2021

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Parish website : www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk Find us on Facebook: St Mary's Hadlow

Today

Palm Sunday

10am Holy Communion and blessing of the palms via Zoom

Reading:

Isaiah 50: 4-9a

Mark 11: 1-11



The Collect for Easter Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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

Easter Sunday

10am Holy Communion in church and via Zoom

Readings:

1 Corinthians 11: 23-26

John 13: 1-17,31b-35



Prayers for the Week

We pray today for the Parish Council, Hadlow School and the Health Centre

And from our Book of Remembrance we pray for

James McFarlane (30th)

William Vincent Dumbreck (2nd
April)

Doris Rose Bowden (3rd)

This Week at a glance

Holy Week

Monday

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

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion
10.30am-12.30pm Church open
for private prayer and Food Bank
6pm Compline (F)

Thursday

9am Morning Prayer (F)
8pm Holy Communion

Friday

Rev'd Paul will do a Walk of
Witness on behalf of the church
12 noon – 2pm Church open for
readings and quiet reflection (this
will not be live streamed)

Saturday

F = services via Facebook Live

Zoom Coffee

After today's service, why not join us for a virtual coffee and chat via Zoom. It will take place just after the 10am Zoom service – no need to leave and come back.



Easter Flowers in Church

If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of Easter flowers in memory of a loved one, please hand the money and their name to Rev'd Paul or Janice by Tuesday 30 March.

Thank you



APCM and the Electoral Roll

This year's Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will take place in church on Sunday 25 April after the 10am Sunday service. You will also be able attend the meeting and vote by electronic means as it will be live-streamed via Zoom for those who cannot attend in person. The Zoom link will be sent out nearer the time.

If you or anyone you know may wish to join the Electoral Roll please contact Martin Massy (851519) or download the form from St Mary's website [here](#).

Churchwardens are elected annually, and two members of the PCC will be coming to the end of their terms. Nomination forms are available from Martin and, from Easter Sunday, will also be available in church.

Lent Appeal 2021

The Lent Appeal this year will be in aid of the Delhi Brotherhood, a small group of priests who support the needy and vulnerable in and near Delhi through education and training, night shelter, Childline, old people's home, etc., etc. We have supported the Delhi Brotherhood for over 30 years; several of them have visited us here, and some of us have stayed with them in Delhi and seen first-hand the good work that they do. You can find out more on:

www.delhibrotherhood.org.

Last year they were facing the challenges of lower income, exacerbated by funds from a US charity being blocked by the Indian government, and the need to help feed people whose livelihoods were affected by Covid-19. We were able to make a substantial donation in August and hope, with your help, to be able to support them again.



Open Garden at Bishopscourt

The garden at Bishopscourt – the home of the Bishop of Rochester will be open to the public as part of the National Garden Scheme on Saturday April 17th 11.00 – 15.00. Tickets £5.00, children free. May be bought in advance via the NGS website www.ngs.org.uk or at the gate on the day. There will be tea and cake and a plant stall. All will be done according to Covid guidelines. Bishopscourt, 24 St Margaret's Street, Rochester, ME1 1TS. Any enquiries to Bridget Langstaff: 07816 828439 bridget.langstaff@btinternet.com



Food Bank

A huge thank you to all who have contributed to the food bank in church. It is currently a bit short of certain items – in particular toilet rolls, UHT milk and toiletries.

Hospital Car Service

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



Prayer for Palm Sunday: The King is Coming

The King is coming.

Our God arrives, clothed in frail
human flesh,
riding a meek donkey's foal.

This is not the first time You have
come to us, O God

The history of human affairs is the
history of Your arrival among us,

As Creator,
Purpose-Giver,
Liberator,
Prophet's voice and
Priest's desire.

The story of each of our lives is
the story of Your coming to us,

As Comforter,
Friend,
Example,
Challenger
Abundant-Life-Provider,

And so we praise You;

Open our eyes to Your Presence,
Lord;
Come to us again, Lord;
Hosanna – Save us again, Lord.

And be glorified among us.
For You are our God.
Amen.

by John van de Laar.



Who's who at St Mary's?

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Honorary Treasurer

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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.