

St Mary's News

Sunday 19th October 2025

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Today

18th Sunday after Trinity

10am Parish Eucharist with
Baptism

Readings:

Genesis 32.22-31

2 Timothy 3.14 - 4.5

Luke 18.1-8



The Collect for the

18th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is
before, we may run the way of
your commandments and win
the crown of everlasting joy;
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**

**We thank Rev Jane Edwards
for leading our service today.**

Next Week

19th Sunday after Trinity (Bible Sunday)

10am Parish Eucharist with
Prayer Ministry

Readings:

Isaiah 45.22-25

Romans 15.1-6

Luke 4.16-24



Prayers for the Week

We pray this week for all who live
in Kelchers Lane and Medway
View; and for Maisie and Ellie who
are being baptised this morning.

And from our Book of Remembrance we pray for

Dorrie Young (19th)

Charlotte Livett (21st)

Thomas Albert Palmer (25th)

Coffee After Church

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



This Week at a glance

Monday

Tuesday

7.30pm Fr. Jim's Installation at Holy Trinity, Lamorbey (buses leave Hadlow at 6pm)

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion
10.30am Coffee Pots & Tiny Tots
1pm Café Plus
7.30pm Bellringing Practice

Thursday

10am Newsletter Folding

Friday

7.15pm Choir Practice

Saturday

The church is open every day from 10am to 3pm.

For Children and Young People

Activity Bags for younger children are in baskets near the back of church. There are also books, crayons etc.



Theme: 'Who is a Saint?'

Wednesday 22nd October

10.30am – 12.30pm

All-age fun and craft activities, plus informal worship and food. FREE.

All welcome, but no unaccompanied children please.



Fr Jim's Licensing at Holy Trinity, Lamorbey

Tuesday 21st October at 7.30pm

The two community minibuses have been booked to take us to Fr. Jim's licensing service at his new church: Holy Trinity, Lamorbey, Sidcup. They will take up to 30 people. If you would like transport, please sign the sheet at the back of church.

All Saints and All Souls **2nd November**

10am – All-age Eucharist for All Saints

3pm – Memorial Service for All Souls.

At the All Souls service there will be an opportunity to light a candle in memory of your loved ones and to remember them by name. If you would like your loved ones remembered please add their names to the list at the back of the church or email office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

We will also remembering those who have recently died and for whom we have conducted a service. All welcome to attend – stay for tea and cakes afterwards.



Remembrance Sunday **Services** **9th November**



10am - Eucharist and Act of Remembrance in church.

12pm - Remembrance at the War Memorial in Hadlow cemetery

Church Unlocker Needed

We need someone to unlock the church during the interregnum on Tuesdays at 10am. if you could help, please speak to Janice.

Dates for your Diary:

Film Night in Church

Tues 11th November at 7.30pm

THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN **– THE KING'S MACHINE –**

Appropriately for Remembrance Day, this film is set during the Battle of Britain in the skies above Kent. Created by local film maker Phillip Day, it is the true story of two Yorkshire lads who go off to war, one in a Spitfire, one in a Hurricane.



Length: 76 mins.

Refreshments and bar available.

Sunday 23rd November **CONCERT**

by the excellent Tonbridge-based
Bacchus Wind Orchestra

Starts at 2.30pm, interval with tea and cakes. Free entry but we welcome donations towards church and band funds.

Teddy Bear Blessing and Toy Service

Sunday 30th November at 10am
Bring your beloved Teddy for a blessing (and to take back home), and bring a new toy to donate to the Christmas Present Appeal for families whose children would otherwise not receive a gift.

Hearing and Speaking God's Word

Bishop's Certificate Course

You are warmly invited to join the Hearing and Speaking God's Word Bishop's Certificate Course designed for lay people who feel called to explore teaching or preaching within their church.

Whether you're wondering if God is nudging you towards a ministry of the Word, or you're already involved in teaching and want to develop your skills, this course offers an opportunity to discern, learn, and grow in confidence.

Dates: Saturdays 15th & 29th Nov, 9am-12:30pm at Underriver Village Hall, TN14 0SB.

Attendance at both Saturday morning sessions is essential.

The course is free. Please confirm your place by October 31st.

To be awarded the Bishop's Certificate, participants need to:

- Attend all 4 sessions (there will also be two Saturday mornings for the course in early 2026)
- Preach once in their own church
- Obtain feedback from that sermon from two people.
- Complete a written reflection on their learning and growth in faith.

To Register: Contact Rev Serena Willoughby at:
serena.willoughby@rochester.anglican.org

Who's Who at St Mary's

Vicar

Position vacant

Church Wardens

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Katerina Plucknett-Nixon
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Anna Chaplain

Jenny Hopkins (01732 852386)

Honorary Treasurer

Martin Massy (01732 851519)
finance@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

Parish Administrator

Janice Massy (07570 941809)
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PCC Members, any of whom can be approached for help or information:

John Speed, Katerina Plucknett-Nixon (Church Wardens);
Mike Harvey (Deanery Synod rep.);
Cathy Brill, Kirsty Finch, Jenny Hopkins, Richard Hopkinson, Janice Massy, Martin Massy, Jim May, Iris Shaw and Sharon Vanns.

PCC Secretary:

Richard Hopkinson
PCC@stmaryshadlow.org.uk
*Minutes of PCC meetings are on the
notice board and on St Mary's website.*