

HADLOW NEWSLETTER

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Services in Church:

Sundays: 10.00am – Parish Eucharist

Wednesdays: 9.30am Holy Communion

Morning Prayer. No morning prayer until a vicar is appointed.

St Mary's church is open every day between 10am and 3pm If you would like to arrange a wedding or baptism, please contact 07570 941809, or email: office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

St Mary's Website www.stmaryshadlow.org.uk

St Mary's Office Email: office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

EASTER SERVICES

Palm Sunday meet in The Square at 10am for Palm Procession to church and Eucharist Service

Holy Week:

Monday 30th & Tuesday 31st March and Wednesday 1st April 6pm Stations of the Cross

Maundy Thursday 2nd April 8pm Eucharist of the Lord's supper followed by watch of the Passion

Good Friday 3rd April 10am Walk of Witness from St Peter's Chapel to St Mary's – with coffee and hot cross buns after.

Holy Saturday 4th April 8pm Easter vigil and Communion. A beautiful service to celebrate the start of Easter

EASTER SUNDAY 5th April 10am Family Communion

The Grenadillas' Musical Soirée

Sunday 17th May at 6pm in St Mary's Church. A light programme lasting about one hour of music and song – a mix of styles and eras from baroque to jazz with a couple of special items! Wine, cheese and nibbles available. Free admission but donations welcome to be shared between Porchlight, the Kent charity that helps vulnerable and homeless people, and St Mary's Church.

Hadlow Village Fete: Sunday 14th June

at St. Mary's Church and Church Street, 2 - 4.30pm – Save the date.

Fun for all the family! cream teas, side stalls and games, fun dog show, bar. If you would like a stall (cost £20), please contact Kirsty at stmarysfete2026@gmail.com

Coffee Pots & Tiny Tots: Every Wed. 10.30am. All parents and carers with babies and toddlers are welcome. Join in the fun: craft, nursery rhymes, singing, music & play. £1 per family includes coffee & biscuit for carers. Please bring drinks for the children in their own cups.

Coffee Morning for seniors – Coffee mornings are back again after Easter on the 10th April and the first and third Fridays of every month. All welcome; come and make friends.

Café Plus: Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday in St Mary's Church, 1-3pm for crafts (knitting, crochet & sewing), good company and a cuppa.

Hadlow Carers Together Do you, or someone you know, care for an adult and would like a break for an hour? Do come along to the Carers Together group for an informal group chat with other carers who understand. We meet in Church on the 2nd Monday of the month 1.30-2.30 and 4th Fridays 10.30 -11.30am. Contact Sally, Jenny or Iris. or email HadlowCarersTogether@outlook.com

Friends Together Bereavement Support: Second Monday of the month from 11am - 12.30pm at the Old School Hall. Anyone who has had a significant bereavement is welcome to join us. Call 07774 891314 for info.

Hospital Car Service: If you would like transport to a hospital or other medical appointment, please contact Mike Harvey on 01732 851881 or 07464 548448

Clubs Societies and Social

Hadlow Historical Society: Tues. 28th April (7.30 pm at St. Mary's Church), **Gilly Halcrow** will be talking about "**The Shetland Bus**", the secret operation that linked free Shetland with occupied Norway from 1941 until peace in 1945, with winter crossings at night over the North Sea. Visitors welcome (£4). Contact details: Patricia Richardson hadlowhistory@gmail.com or 07876 102572.

Hadlow Seniors Pop-in Club: Every Thurs. 10-12 at OSH with refreshments and a quiz. We are a friendly group, why not come and meet new friends and enjoy other activities Info Carol Markwick 850413 Jenny Hopkins 852386

Hadlow Gardeners: Monday 20th April at 7.30pm in the Old School Hall for a talk on "Planting for Drier Summers" by Alison Marsden. Visitors welcome £3. Contact jenny Bubb - 01732 365873 - jenny_bubb@hotmail.com

Hadlow WI: We will be welcoming Rita Meek who will be giving us a talk and taking us back to a time when public festivals were held on the frozen River Thames during the Little Ice Age at our meeting on Monday 27th of April at 7.30 in the Old School Hall. New members and visitors are welcome Email Hadlow@wkwfi.org.uk for more info.

Hadlow Bowls Club, School Lane.

2026 is our 90th year. If you want to try bowling this would be a good year. No equipment required just flat shoes. It's not just for old people! For more details email Dave at isted.hadlow@hotmail.com or Brian at brianreeve8@gmail.com.

Hadlow Community Allotment: Open Morning Saturday April 25th 10.30 am – 12 noon Come and see the community allotment in action at Hadlow Primary School where we grow collectively and share produce. We welcome new members whether you are experienced or new to gardening. Here is an opportunity to see what we do and decide whether you would like to join this friendly group and grow your own vegetables. For info. call Siobhan on 07855600336.

Yoga with Lizzie: I invite you to join me on the mat for a welcoming, fun and inclusive new yoga class. Every Wednesday evening, from 7:30-8:30pm in OSH. For more info and to book: lizziesf@outlook.com / 07825 060821. Qualified instructor with the British Wheel of Yoga 🧘

Hadlow Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting – Monday 13th April, 19.30 in the Old School Hall.

We are pleased to announce that the post of Deputy Clerk has been filled.

clerk@hadlowpc.co.uk or 851878 For all your community information. Hadlow Parish Council official Twitter and Facebook accounts to keep you updated. Share photos, news and stories at: Twitter@HadlowParish, Facebook@HadlowParishCouncil, Website www.hadlowpc.co.uk

Hadlow Village Hall: Please come and join us at our yearly **Quiz with Fish & Chips on Saturday 25th April 2026 @ 7pm**, doors open at 6.45 pm. Start forming your teams of up to six for a fun evening. Tickets £15 each. To book for the Quiz please ring HVH on **07399 938059** or send email to info@hadlowvillagehall.org

HOME- Hadlow Opposes Mass Expansion

We continue to fight overdevelopment in Hadlow. Follow us on Facebook or to join email hadlowome@gmail.com. We will be joining in with Community Planning Alliance Day of Action on Saturday 18th April, 12 noon, a quiet demonstration to demonstrate how important our green spaces, wildlife and nature are. Meet in The Square at noon.

Hadlow Walking Netball: Walking netball, have you tried it? It is suitable for all ages and abilities, an opportunity to exercise in a relaxed, fun and supportive way. Experience not needed or knowledge of the rules to join. During February we will be meeting at Hadlow Village Hall, Marshall Gardens, TN11 OHQ on Saturday mornings between 10.30-11.30 Please contact Shirley on 07746476071 or email shirleyellishost@yahoo.com for more information.

From the Parish Registers

Funeral: we extend our sympathy to the families and friends of:

13th March – Reginald Clive Hall

Due to an editorial error last month this item should have read:

Ann Hurling B Ed (Hons) 88½ died 30 Jan 2026 in the Mayfield Hospice.

Sincerest apologies to the family of Ann Hurling for the error

Deadline for May 2026 Issue Friday 17th April. Send items to newsletterhadlow@btinternet.com.