

St Mary's News

Sunday 7th June 2026

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Today

1st Sunday after Trinity

10am Parish Eucharist

Readings:

Hosea 5.15-6.6

Romans 4.13-end

Matthew 9.9-13, 18-26



The Collect for the 1st Sunday after Trinity

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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

2nd Sunday after Trinity (Music Sunday)

10am Service of the Word with
Prayer Ministry
2pm Hadlow Village Fête

Readings:

Exodus 19.2-8a

Romans 5.1-8

Matthew 9.3 –10.8{9-23}



Prayers This Week

We pray for all who All who work in agriculture and horticulture in the parish

And from our Book of Remembrance:

Patrick O' Sullivan (8th)

Ron Pate (12th)

**We thank Rev David Head
for leading our services today**

Coffee After Church

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



The Week at a glance

Monday

1.30pm Hadlow Carers Together

Tuesday

5.45pm Yoga

Wednesday

9.30am Holy Communion

10.30am Coffee Pots and
Tiny Tots

1pm Café Plus

7.30pm Bell ringing practice

Thursday

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.



Hadlow Village Fete NEXT SUNDAY

14th June 2pm - 4.30pm

St Mary's Church & Church Street
Join us for a fun-filled afternoon!
dog show, cream teas, side stalls,
games, coconut shy, face painting,
yoga, food and bar.

If you would like a stall (cost £20),
please contact Kirsty at
stmarysfete2026@gmail.com.

There is a box at the back of
church for **bottles of any kind** –
eg ketchup, wine, soft drinks etc
for the bottle tombola.

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.

A Special Evensong

Sunday 28th June at 6 pm
in St Mary's

This Evensong is being held to mark the 50th anniversary of the ordination of Rev Christopher Miles. He was ordained as Deacon in Rochester Cathedral by Bishop David Say on 27th June 1976. Please come along and give thanks with Christopher at this special anniversary.

Ring Into a New Hobby!

Looking for a hobby that's social, musical and unlike anything else? Discover the joy of bell ringing — a unique hobby that combines music, teamwork and tradition in a truly uplifting way. You don't need any experience or musical background — just curiosity and a willingness to give it a go. Join us for

sessions in the bell tower on Wednesdays throughout July from 7pm to 8pm at St Mary's Church from July 1st. For more info. contact Howard Rogers on: 07734 962855

or howardsrogers@aol.com



Volunteers Needed

There are a number of voluntary roles in the church where more help would be appreciated:

Intercessions

We would really like more people to join the intercessions team for leading the prayers during the Sunday service. Guidance and advice will be given. For more information, please contact Janice.

Coffee rota

It would always help to have a few more people on the rota to serve coffee after the 10am service. We normally have two people serving coffee each week.

Church Cleaning

Likewise, we could do with more people to clean the church. It would only be every six weeks — or even less frequently if we have enough volunteers!

Memorial Service for Angela Widdicombe

Thank you to all who joined us for Mum's Thanksgiving Service last Saturday. It was so good to see so many people from St Mary's who shared their lovely memories of Mum / Granny.

*David, Vicky, Martin, Daisy, Sam
and Anthony*

Concert

Saturday 20th June at 7pm.

Local blind singer/songwriter Marilyn Baker and her ministry partner Tracy Williamson invite you to their concert celebrating 40 years ministering together. Come for a lovely evening of music and stories followed by tea and cake at Delarue Hall, Shipbourne Rd, Tonbridge. To book your free place please email info@mbm-ministries.org or call 01732 850855

Reflection: Matthew 9.9-13

This famous painting by Caravaggio shows St Matthew being beckoned by Christ to come and work in the vineyard. The poor fellow was probably as flabbergasted as the rest of us that he was summoned, what with his tax collector background, not to mind his profession's reputation for dishonesty.

We ask, Lord, that we hear the call if it comes, be encouraged that it was given to us, and be able to accept the grace to keep marching to the beat of the drummer.



Who's Who at St Mary's

Vicar

Position vacant

Church Wardens

John Speed (07725 691518)
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Katerina Plucknett-Nixon
(07922 146853)
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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)
office@stmaryshadlow.org.uk

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, James Menday, 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.