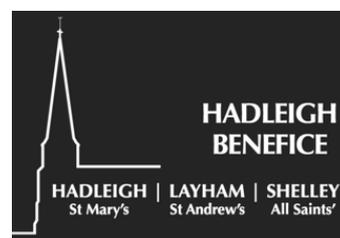


Sunday 2 December 2018

Advent Sunday



**Welcome to our service, especially if you are visiting today.
At St Andrew's this morning we welcome the family and friends of
Penny Mosley and Oliver Haywood as they are baptised.
Please do join us for refreshments after the service
at St Mary's and All Saints'.**

THIS WEEK:			
Morning prayer is said at St Mary's, Tuesday-Friday at 8.30am			
Sunday 2 December	3.30pm St Mary's - Christingle Family Picnic		
Monday 3 December	10am Bereavement Support Group at The George 2pm St Mary's - WI Carol Service 7.30pm St Mary's - Institution, Induction and Installation of Rev Jo Delfgou as Rector		
Tuesday 4 December	11am Row Chapel – Sung Eucharist (BCP) 1.30-2.45pm St Mary's – Tadpoles: for babies, toddlers and carers 4.30pm Silent Prayer, at the Salvation Army Hall - all welcome		
Wednesday 5 December	8.30am St Mary's – Morning Prayer and Eucharist 10.30am Ministry Team meeting, at Joyce's 2pm St Mary's – Funeral: Jennie Edwards RIP 6pm FROGs, for primary school aged children (<i>note new date</i>)		
Thursday 6 December	9.30am Diary meeting in the office 10.30am Sydney Brown Court – Holy Communion		
Friday 7 December	9am-1pm St Mary's - Craft and Produce Market 9.30am–12noon St Mary's – Café Church 10am Café Church Communion 5.15pm St Mary's - Advent Stations 7-9.30pm Porch Project		
Saturday 8 December	2pm CTiH Carol Singing at Morrisons 4pm Shelley Riding School Carol Service		
Sunday 9 December Advent 2	8am 10.45am 3pm 6pm	Said Eucharist (BCP) Benefice Eucharist followed by Bring and Share Lunch CTiH Advent Service Hunt Supporters' Carol Service	St Mary's St Mary's Salvation Army St Andrew's

NOTICES

WELCOME TO THE BENEFICE OF ST MARY'S HADLEIGH, ST ANDREW'S LAYHAM AND ALL SAINTS' SHELLEY. We hope you enjoy being with us, and look forward to welcoming you again in the future. Communicant members of all churches are welcome to receive communion – or come up for a blessing if you prefer.



Children at St Mary's are welcome to use the area at the back of church, where there are toys, books and other things to do.

If you require a **gluten free** communion wafer, please speak to one of the welcome team – preferably before the start of the service.

If you are a UK taxpayer and would like to **gift aid** your collection donation at St Mary's, please put it in the white envelope (available from the back of the church) and complete the details on the front. Please ask a welcomer if you cannot find an envelope. Thank you.

If you would like someone to pray with or for you after any service, please ask a member of the Ministry Team and they will direct you to someone who will be happy to do this.

Thanks from Layham: Thank you to everyone who knitted and made poppies, baked cakes, loaned items to the exhibition, stewarded, set up and took down the poppies for the Remembrance weekend. A total of 3543 poppies were made and approximately 200 people visited. The church was packed out for our Remembrance service too. A cheque for £600.00 was sent to the Hadleigh British Legion. Thank you too to everyone who contributed shoeboxes this year. We were able to take 29 boxes to the processing centre, who advised us that they will be going to Central Asia

Parking in the churchyard: now that Jo and Marylou have moved into the Deanery, please be sensitive about parking in the churchyard, particularly in front of the house. Spaces are intended *only* for those who are unable to walk from the town car parks, and anyone else should really not be parking there on a regular basis.

NOTICES AND FUTURE EVENTS

On Sunday 9 December there will be a 10.45am Benefice Eucharist at St Mary's, followed by a shared lunch for all who wish to stay, so that we can welcome Jo and Marylou socially to the Benefice. Please bring a plate or two of food to share, and if possible be prepared to help with the minimal setting up and clearing away arrangements! Wine and soft drinks will be available.

Informal Worship on Sunday 9 December has now been cancelled.

Benefice Advent Stations at St. Mary's, on Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. Fridays 23, 30 November, and 7, 14 December at 5.15-5.45pm, with a period of contemplative silence with music from 5 until 5.15pm. Each station will end with a verse from the hymn, 'I, the Lord of sea and sky'. Please come, and invite others.

Big Christmas Card: This year we shall again be putting out a big Christmas card where you can pass on your greetings to the rest of the congregation, which also enables you to donate the money you save from not sending individual cards. As before such donations will go to the Children's Society. Many thanks in anticipation.

The Friends of St. Mary's Annual Meeting - Saturday 8 December 2018 at 5pm. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served. A short business meeting will precede at 6pm the launch of Margaret Woods' book *Medieval Hadleigh: The Chief Manor & Town*. Margaret will talk about her book and will also sign copies.

St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival: Saturday 15 Dec 2018 – Wednesday 2 Jan 2019. If you know of a group that would like to take part, please take a flyer or speak to Gloria.

Mothers' Union: If anyone wishes to come to the lunch at Stoke by Nayland golf club on January 12th 2019 and they haven't given their names to Sandra Smithson please contact her as soon as possible. She will be at Cafe Church on Friday collecting names and money; the cost of the meal is £19.50. Reminder for all MU members: don't forget to bring a present for the sack at the next meeting, to cost no more than £5. Thank you, Sandra Smithson.

Volunteers needed please:

- To serve refreshments at Café Church at St Mary's on Friday 28 December. During what is otherwise a quiet week, it's important that we offer this social opportunity for those who live alone and who value it;
- To help serve refreshments after the service as we welcome other congregations to the Deanery Eucharist at St Mary's on Sunday 30 December.

FAMILY PRAYERS

For health and wellbeing: Bob Stanley, Amanda Brodie, Kenny Scarff, Monica Lenox, Andy Morton, Bob Smith, Sheila Ogden, Gary Watts, Elaine Wilson, Marley Youngs, Vivienne Winner, Doug Taylor, Terry Powell, Daphne Tucker, Maureen Revell, Sue Dodson, Maureen Bell, Alasdair Messenger, Sarah Scarff, Nicola Hempstead

Long term sick: list available

Recent deaths, Jennie Edwards

Praying the roads in Hadleigh: Pykenham Way + Wellington Close + Charter Close

Other prayers:

Father God, as One Church, united under holy headship, and knowing that we are all one family in Christ; We pray for those who suffer in your name all over the world, our brothers and sisters, who share in that same great gift of salvation through your Son, but who face injustice, oppression and even death because of their faith in You.

From CSW (Christian Solidarity Worldwide) - an organisation working for religious freedom through advocacy and human rights, in the pursuit of justice.

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