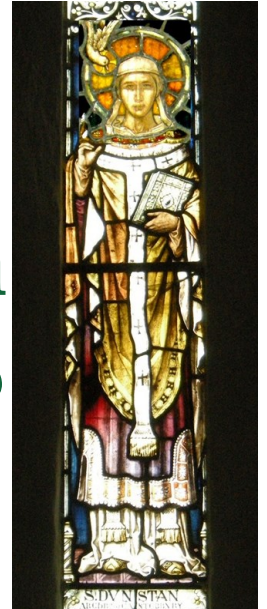




THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MAYFIELD & FIVE ASHES

# NEWS from ST. DUNSTAN'S SUNDAY 14 AUGUST TRINITY 9



## 10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST

Organist: David Force  
Setting: Mass of St Mark (Archer)

### Sunday Club

### READINGS

Hebrews 11: 29-12: 2  
Luke 12: 49-56



### COLLECT

To set the earth ablaze, O God, your Son submitted to a baptism unto death, and from his cup of suffering you call the Church to drink. Keep our eyes fixed on Jesus and give us strength in time of trial to run the race that lies before us. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

### POST COMMUNION

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God; in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## CHURCH PRAYER DIARY

**Friday 12th:** MAYFACS  
**Saturday 13th:** Deanery Synod Reps: Karen Mack, Emma R-R, Denise Packham, Mary Pennington  
**Sunday 14th:** Colkins Mill church and its congregation  
**Monday 15th:** the appointment of a new Director of Music  
**Tuesday 16th:** Mayfield & Five Ashes Parish Councillors  
**Wednesday 17th:** St Dunstan's Choir  
**Thursday 18th:** Mayfield School for girls  
**Friday 19th:** Vanessa and our bell ringers

## PRAY ALSO ...

**For the courage** to make the most of every opportunity to share our faith with others through words and deeds  
**For** Ukrainian peoples living in Mayfield & Five Ashes  
**For those struggling** because of cost of living increases  
**For schools, teachers and pupils** for restful holidays  
**For all known to us who are sick; for all carers**  
**For the recently departed and all who mourn the loss of loved ones**  
**For those whose anniversaries fall at this time:**  
Spencer Humphrey, Ronald Adam, Ann Masson, David Smith

## AND FOR THE NEEDS OF THE WIDER WORLD ...

**For our Government and political situation; for the quest to appoint a new Prime Minister**  
**For all national leaders** that they be guided by a Godly wisdom in their decision-making  
**For peace and reconciliation** in all areas of conflict, particularly at this time for Ukraine  
**For all victims of intolerance**, persecution and oppression  
**For safe refuge** for the displaced and homeless  
**For the Queen and Royal Family** in this Jubilee year  
**For all those continuing to be adversely affected by Covid;** for equitable distribution of vaccine; for scientists  
**For all who lack** proper healthcare, good nutrition and adequate supplies of clean water  
**For aid agencies** and all who work, both in this country and abroad, to alleviate poverty, hunger and disease  
**For an urgent and determined global response to the climate emergency**

## A PRAYER OF THANKS

Abba, thank you for summer,  
for green grass  
and honeysuckle,  
leafy trees  
running streams  
bare feet  
balmy days  
singing birds  
laughing children  
fun outdoors  
barbecues  
sunshine  
clear skies  
the smell after a summer rain  
beauty and fecundity  
everywhere I turn.  
**Amen**

## DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Sat 13<sup>th</sup>: 12.30pm Saturday Picnickers—London House  
 Sun 14<sup>th</sup>: 10.15am Parish Eucharist—St Dunstan's  
 12noon Said Eucharist—Cottage Hospice, Five Ashes  
 Wed 10<sup>th</sup>: 10am Said Eucharist—the Lady Chapel  
 12noon Social Committee—London House  
 Thurs 18<sup>th</sup>: 7pm Wedding Rehearsal  
 Sat 20<sup>th</sup>: 1pm Wedding of Christopher Wiltshire  
 and Shellie Beattie  
 Sun 21<sup>st</sup>: 10.15am Parish Eucharist—St Dunstan's

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Please be in touch if you would like names added to our prayer list.

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CHURCH OPENING HOURS: daily 9am to 5pm

St Dunstan's is looking to reform an **OPEN THE BOOK TEAM** to take Bible stories into assemblies in 2 or 3 local schools. The assembly consists of a Bible story (acted out), a reflection for the children, and a prayer. Each story is already



scripted. We need volunteers who can act (even badly); you don't need to speak as most of the speaking is by a narrator. Its a very good way to build stronger links with the primary aged children in our parish. If you are interested or want to find out more, **please speak with Fr Michael or e-mail him.** (NB not all characters will be required to don garb such as this!)



## Sunday Club

Meet in London House from 10am and the children will join the Service in Church when the 'Peace' is being said.

Hebrews 11:29 – 12:2  
 Luke 12:49 – 56

This week we explore what happens in moments of vulnerability.



Lord, for all those who calm us when we are angry,  
 we praise you.

For all those who make us smile when we are sad,  
 we praise you.

For all those who protect us when we are vulnerable,  
 we praise you. Amen.

## DONATE

.... Please click here to help with the running costs of St Dunstan's.

In addition, there are a variety of ways to contribute to the life of our church:

The **contactless card machine**, adjacent to the door in St Dunstan's, is easy to use—just follow the instructions

**Monthly** (gift aided where possible) through the **Parish Giving scheme** - forms available at the back of church, online <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/mayfield-tunbridge-wells/> or tel 0333 002 1271. Parish reference: 10-3020370

**Direct bank transfers:** A/c Mayfield PCC 55-70-13, 08277540 (gift aided if possible ).

**Sunday collection plate.**

Our treasurer, **Robin Holliday** is happy to help with any queries: 01435 873822; email [robincholliday@gmail.com](mailto:robincholliday@gmail.com)

A SAID EUCHARIST takes place at the CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD at the COTTAGE HOSPICE in FIVE ASHES at 12 noon on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. Next Service: 28th August. ALL WELCOME.



Our congratulations and best wishes to Alex and Izzy who were married in St Dunstan's on Saturday 6th August.

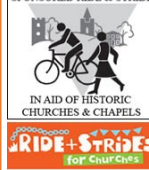
And thank you that we could enjoy the wonderful wedding flowers on the Sunday morning!

A BIG THANK YOU ...to all the HOLY DUSTERS who helped clean the church last Thursday.



FAREWELL to the Lady Chapel Piano—now happily housed in a new home in Ashburnham!

SPONSORED RIDE & STRIDE



**RIDE AND STRIDE SPONSORED EVENT** helping to preserve Sussex Churches **Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> September**

St Dunstan's will be open again this year for visitors who are taking part in the Sussex Ride and Stride. If you would like to take part yourself by either riding, walking or running and be sponsored to raise money for St Dunstan's and the Sussex historic Churches Trust, then please contact Nicky in the office who has further information and sponsor forms.

Do you have knowledge of Health and Safety legislation and practices? Are you willing to use your knowledge to benefit your church? St Dunstan's is looking to appoint an honorary **Health and Safety Officer** to review our current arrangements and ensure we stay ahead of legislation. If you can help please contact Nicky in the parish office: [office.stdunstans@gmail.com](mailto:office.stdunstans@gmail.com) Thank you.



**SATURDAY PICNICKERS**  
 London House 12.30pm 6th August.  
 ALL WELCOME Contact: Valerie 873253