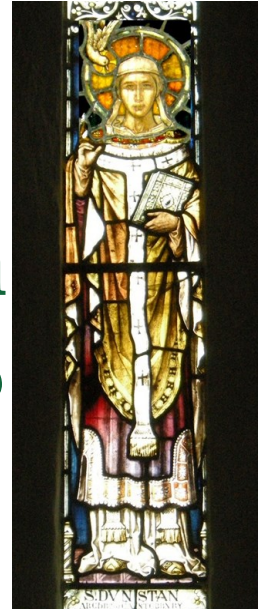




THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MAYFIELD & FIVE ASHES

# NEWS from ST. DUNSTAN'S SUNDAY 21 AUGUST TRINITY 10



## 10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST

Organist: Chris Harris  
Setting: Mass of St Mark (Archer)

### Sunday Club

### READINGS

Hebrews 12:18-end  
Luke 13:10-17



### COLLECT

Loving God, open our eyes, open our ears, open our hearts to the needs around us. Help us to see people who are hidden in the margins. Help us to hear those who find it hard to have a voice. Help us to feel the pain of people who feel trapped by their circumstances. Give us a vision for a renewed community. Help us to model good listening and caring. Give us wisdom, passion

and energy to do your work here where we live and see people transformed and set free.

### POST COMMUNION

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## CHURCH PRAYER DIARY

**Friday 19th:** Vanessa and our bell ringers  
**Saturday 20th:** All who care for the church fabric  
**Sunday 21st:** Nina Sanderson and the Flower Guild  
**Monday 22nd:** Traders and shopkeepers in Mayfield  
**Tuesday 23rd:** Holy Dusters  
**Wednesday 24th:** St Thomas' RC Church and congregation  
**Thursday 25th:** The vestry team preparing for services  
**Friday 26th:** Doctors/staff at Woodhill Surgery and Mayfield dentists

## 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** receiving exam results  
**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:**  
Elizabeth Speltz

## AND FOR THE NEEDS OF THE WIDER WORLD

**For our Government, our financial 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

Loving Father,  
That we can glimpse you  
within creation  
is a beautiful thought,  
but also tells us that you desire  
to be seen,  
to be found and known.  
Open our eyes, Lord,  
as we walk through this world,  
feel the wind and sunshine,  
see the majesty of creation  
unfolding before our eyes.  
Help us to see you  
Amen

# DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Sat 20<sup>th</sup>: 12.30pm Saturday Picnickers—London House  
 1pm Wedding of Christopher Wiltshire and Shellie Beattie  
 Sun 21<sup>st</sup>: 10.15am Parish Eucharist—St Dunstan's  
 Wed 24<sup>th</sup>: 10am Said Eucharist—the Lady Chapel  
 Sun 28<sup>th</sup>: 10.15am Parish Eucharist—St Dunstan's  
 12noon Said Eucharist—Cottage Hospice, Five Ashes

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

## CONTACT DETAILS FOR FR MICHAEL ASQUITH:

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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

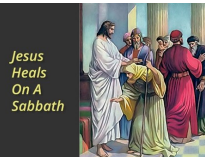


scripted. We need volunteers who can act (even badly); you don't need to speak as most of the speaking is by a narrator. It's a very good way to build stronger links with the primary aged children in our parish. If you are interested or want to find out more, please speak with Fr Michael or e-mail him. (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 12:18-end  
 Luke 13:10-17

This week we explore what stops us seeing and responding to needs

God, who knows our every need,  
 help us to see more clearly  
 the needs of those around us.  
 Help us to show your love  
 in our actions towards others. 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).

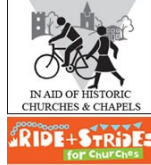
Sunday collection plate.

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



## 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.



We are very fortunate to have a PRAYER LABYRINTH in our churchyard—it is a place of peace and tranquillity.

Herewith a suggestion on how to use it for your prayers:

*Lay down your burdens as you walk to the centre of the labyrinth.*

*In the centre, pause to thank God for having walked with you along the way and for taking your burdens on himself*

*Then count your blessings and give thanks on the journey to the exit.*

A Labyrinth guide is available in church



## Butlers Farmhouse Open Garden

NGS OPENING WITH HOME-MADE TEAS IN AID OF FSW

Butlers Farmhouse, Butlers Lane, Herstmonceux, BN27 1QH

Sat 20<sup>th</sup> & Sun 21<sup>st</sup> August 2-5pm

ADMISSION: ADULT - £5 CHILD - FREE

Charity No 28537

Family Support Work has been helping vulnerable children and families throughout Sussex since 1890

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## WOOD CARVING OF ST DUNSTAN

If you would like to donate towards a carving to be placed on the wood screen in the Chancel in memory of Sheila Humphrey, please speak to Nina Sanderson or any member of the Flower Guild.

Thank you.

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 20th August. ALL WELCOME Contact: Valerie 873253