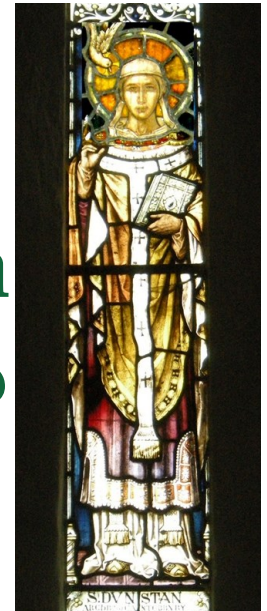




THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MAYFIELD & FIVE ASHES

NEWS from ST. DUNSTAN'S SUNDAY 7 AUGUST TRINITY 8



10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST

Organist: David Force
Setting: Mass of St Mark by Archer

Sunday Club

READINGS

Hebrews 11: 1-3 & 8-16
Luke 12: 32-40



secure and whose kingdom we await, sustain us by word and sacrament and keep us alert for the coming of the Son of Man, that we may welcome him without delay. 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.

hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever.

COLLECT

O God, on whom our faith rests

POST COMMUNION

Strengthen for service, Lord, the

CHURCH PRAYER DIARY

Friday 5th: Stephen and Steve, Churchwardens
Saturday 6th: Mayfield Scout Group
Sunday 7th: Nicky Higgins, Parish Administrator
Monday 8th: Five Ashes Cottage Hospice
Tuesday 9th: Robin Holliday, our Treasurer
Wednesday 10th: Mayfield Festival of Music and Arts
Thursday 11th: Our PCC, and secretary Emma R-R
Friday 12th: MAYFACS

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: Sonia Lambrinudi, Robin Goodhew, Thelma Finch and Marjorie Dodd

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 the situation in Taiwan

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 FOR THE GAMES

Almighty God, you have created us in your image and blessed us with diverse gifts: give us grace in these Commonwealth Games to celebrate the sporting talents bestowed by you; grant discipline and purpose

to competitors and teams, a grateful heart to those who win, and grace to those who do not gain the prize, that in all our dealings with one another, the fellowship of nations may be strengthened in bonds of peace and love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Sat 6th: 12.30pm Saturday Picnickers—London House
3pm Wedding of Alexander Simon and Isabella Enock
Sun 7th: 10.15am Parish Eucharist
Wed 10th: 10am Said Eucharist (with reserved sacrament) in the Lady Chapel—Deacon Di
Thurs 11th: 9.30-12noon Holy Dusters
Sun 14th: 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.

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: 14th August. ALL WELCOME.



HOLY DUSTERS: next session

9.30-12noon Thursday 11 August

A reminder of the next church cleaning session for all the regulars plus anyone else who might like to come along. Coffee provided! This is becoming quite a social occasion—the more the merrier!

Further info: emma@ryder-richardson.co.uk

CONTACT DETAILS FOR FR MICHAEL ASQUITH:

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If you are unable to reach Fr Michael, please contact the Churchwardens—contact details on the church website

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!)



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 Thank you.



SATURDAY PICNICKERS

London House 12.30pm 6th August.

ALL WELCOME Contact: Valerie 873253

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 new Labyrinth guide is available in church

Sunday Club

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

New Testament: Hebrews 11:1 – 3; 8 - 16
Gospel: Luke 12 verses 32 – 40

This week we explore where we are looking for treasure.

Father, we sometimes look at all the treasures that this world offers and we lose sight of what you want from us. Help us to serve you by helping others and, in so doing, build our treasure chest in heaven.
In Jesus' name we pray, 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



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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.

Should you have snippets of local news/photos etc. that you would like included in the Enews, please do send them to: julia.lawrence10@btinternet.com If space permits, they will be included. Thank you.