



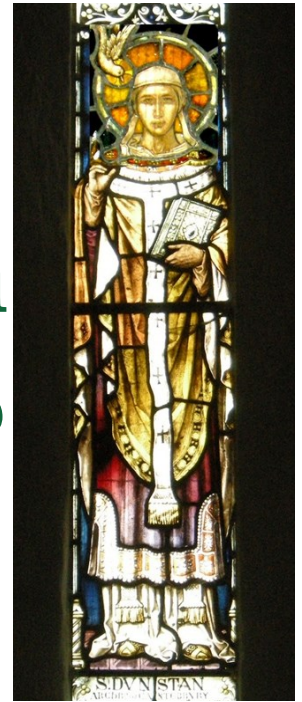
THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MAYFIELD & FIVE ASHES

# NEWS from ST. DUNSTAN'S

## SUNDAY 12 DECEMBER

### ADVENT 3



#### 10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST

with Fr Michael Asquith

Setting: Communion Service in A minor

Anthem: Lord, we beseech Thee (Batten)

12noon – SAID EUCHARIST in the Cottage Hospice

MASKS TO BE WORN AT ALL SERVICES unless exempt

#### READINGS

Zephaniah 3: 14-20

Luke 3: 7-18



3RD SUNDAY of Advent

#### COLLECT

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight;

for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### POST COMMUNION

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again we may shine as lights before his face; who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

#### This Advent ...

remembering the gifts of **HOPE, PEACE and JOY** we have in Christ

Loving God, we thank You for the **JOY** brought to us through the coming of Jesus into the world and the good news of salvation.

May the message of **HOPE** that we have through the Messiah reach those who are lost and searching.

May Your message of **PEACE** and healing bring comfort to our anxious and hurting world and may this message of great **JOY** pierce through all the noise and turmoil and enter into every heart. Amen.



#### PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

For Fr Michael Asquith, and his wife Jo, Deacon Di, Churchwardens, PCC and Nicky in the Office

For our village community: MAYFACS, our schools, the Cottage Hospice, local shops/services; and further afield those affected by recent storms

For the courage to make the most of every opportunity to share our faith with others through words and deeds

For those continuing to be affected by Covid—both directly and indirectly

For all known to us who are sick : William Humphrey, Pam Mather; and for all those who care for them

For the recently departed: Leonard Trevillion; and for all who mourn the loss of loved ones

For those whose anniversaries fall this at this time: Brenda Moodey, Margaret Collie, Colin Harvey, Peter Catton, Jeremy Monk, Kathrine Monk, Bryony Monk, Matthew Inman, Victor Masson, Timothy Biron, Irene Akehurst, Dorothy Bridger and John Marsh

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

For our Government and all national leaders that they be guided by a Godly wisdom in their decision-making

For peace and reconciliation in all areas of conflict; for all victims of intolerance, persecution and oppression; for safe refuge for the displaced and homeless

For parts of the world continuing to be adversely affected by Covid and new variants; for equitable distribution of vaccine

For all who lack proper healthcare, good nutrition and adequate supplies of clean water; for all aid agencies

For an urgent and determined global response to the climate emergency

## DIARY FOR THE WEEK

- Sun 12th:** 10.15am Parish Eucharist  
12noon Said Eucharist—The Cottage Hospice  
7.30pm Bach Advent Cantatas – a Choral Meditation for Advent – in St Dunstan's
- Mon 13th:** 11am-12noon – Mayfield CEP School Christmas Service Rehearsal
- Tues 14th:** 2pm – Mayfield CEP School Christmas Service
- Wed 15th:** 10am Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel
- Thurs 16th:** 9.30am-12.30pm – Holy Dusters—St Dunstan's
- Sun 19th:** 10.15am Advent 4 Parish Eucharist—St Dunstan's

### CONTACT DETAILS FOR FR MICHAEL ASQUITH:

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**CHURCH OPENING HOURS:** Daily 9am to 4pm

Following **CHURCH OF ENGLAND GUIDANCE** published 9<sup>th</sup> December, **MASKS OR FACE COVERINGS ARE TO BE WORN IN CHURCH UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE (unless you are exempt).** However, they may be removed for singing and when leading any part of the worship such as reading or leading prayers and when drinking coffee or tea. Current legislation has not forbidden singing by any member of the congregation.

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Website: [www.stdunstansmayfield.org.uk](http://www.stdunstansmayfield.org.uk) Please do be in touch if you would like names added to our prayer list.

**MICROPHONE** A note to all readers: for optimum effectiveness of the new super-sensitive microphone, please do not touch or make any adjustments. Thank you.



**THANK YOU TO MAYFIELD SCHOOL** for donating a triptych Nativity to St Dunstan's beautifully put together by the ceramics department

## Sunday Club

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

*This week we explore being a sign of the good news in our everyday lives Loving Jesus,*

where people are hungry: where people are divided, where people are in despair and where people have lost faith and hope... Help us to be your good news. Amen.



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the QR code with your mobile; the Donate Button; or a bank transfer to Mayfield PCC, code 55-70-13, account 08277540. **Thank you.**



**MAYFACS HELPLINE: 01435 873888**

## BACH ADVENT CANTATAS

*A Choral Meditation for Advent*

7.30pm Sunday 12 December

at St Dunstan's

**St Dunstan's Church Choir with Mayfield Festival Baroque Orchestra conducted by Andrew Benians**

This is a major fundraiser for St Dunstan's. Please invite family and friends for what will be a thought-provoking evening of beautiful music interspersed with reflections, readings and poetry selected and read by The Rt Revd Nicholas Holtam.

TICKETS : £10; under 18's £5

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/mayfieldfestival](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/mayfieldfestival)

tel: 0333 666 3366; also from Lambert & Foster

and on the door (cash only)

**MASKS TO BE WORN**



## CHRISTMAS in the Parish of Mayfield and Five Ashes

**Tues 21st:** 6pm Christmas Carol Service\*

**Fri 24th:** 5pm Children's Crib Service\*  
11pm Midnight Mass of Christmas\*

**Sat 25th:** 10.15am Christmas Day Eucharist\* in St Dunstan's (all children invited to bring along their very favourite present)  
12 noon: Said Eucharist at the Cottage Hospice in Five Ashes

**Sun 26th:** 10.15am Boxing Day Eucharist with carols in St Dunstan's (No service at the Cottage Hospice on December 26<sup>th</sup>)



\* once every seat is taken we will be unable to admit further people so please arrive early

For Advent video reflections produced by our three Bishops and new deacons within the Chichester Diocese, please click here:



**THANK YOU** to everyone involved in the Christmas Tree Festival and the Open Church/Bell Tower events last Friday evening and Saturday morning! It was wonderful to see so many people out and about and enjoying their Parish Church.



**Raffle prize winners:**  
1st: Robin Holliday  
2nd: Alice Quintana  
3rd: Jo Eates



Best Adult tree: **w1**



Best Children's tree: Friends of Mayfield Primary

## CALLING ALL HOLY DUSTERS!

9.30-12.30 Thursday 16 December

A reminder of the next church cleaning session for all the regulars plus anyone else who might like to come along. Coffee provided! Further info: [emma@ryder-richardson.co.uk](mailto:emma@ryder-richardson.co.uk)

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## Monday Tots



**ST DUNSTAN'S BABY AND TODDLER GROUP**  
9am London House

Next session: December 20. Toddlers have the chance to play whilst you enjoy a cup of coffee and a chat. Each time we have a bible story, related craft and singing. Do join us! Further details [karen@mackcapital.co.uk](mailto:karen@mackcapital.co.uk) or 07985215344.