



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MAYFIELD & FIVE ASHES

# NEWS from ST. DUNSTAN'S

## Sunday 23 February

# 2nd before Lent



### 10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST

Anthem: Ave Verum (Mozart)  
Setting: Addington

### READINGS:

Revelation 4  
Luke 8: 22-25



### 12noon SAID EUCHARIST—

Cottage Hospice

### 6pm CHORAL EVENSONG

### COLLECT:

Compassionate God and Father, you are kind to the ungrateful, merciful even to the wicked. Pour out your love upon us, that with good and generous hearts we may keep from judging others and learn your way of compassion. We make our prayer 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:

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

St Dunstan's strives to be a diverse yet inclusive church, affirming everybody, young and old.

## CHURCH PRAYER DIARY

- Friday 21st:** Nina Sanderson and the Flower Guild
- Saturday 22nd:** Mayfield/Five Ashes Parish Councillors
- Sunday 23rd:** Holy Dusters
- Monday 24th:** St Thomas' RC Church & congregation
- Tuesday 25th:** Our work with children and young people, especially Sunday Club
- Wednesday 26th:** Doctors/staff at Woodhill Surgery and Mayfield dentists
- Thursday 27th:** Our sidespeople
- Fri 28th:** Skippers Hill Prep school

### PRAY ALSO ...

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

- For all those who contribute to the life of St Dunstan's
- For growth in numbers, spiritual commitment and in service to our community
- For new music initiatives within our church
- For teachers and pupils in our local schools
- For those struggling because of cost of living increases
- For all known to us who are unwell; for those awaiting hospital appointments/surgery; for the NHS/all carers
- For the recently departed and all who mourn the loss of loved ones
- For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Neil Wade, Patricia Wilkins, Betsy Dixon, Joan Welbourne, Emily Podger and Ethel Bowler



## PRAYER for the week

Loving heavenly Father, we pray for countries experiencing the turmoil of conflict and political instability.

We ask for peace to be restored.

Grant wisdom and integrity to world leaders so that they will work for the good of the people they govern and serve.

We pray that citizens everywhere would have their rights preserved, so they can live peacefully and free from fear.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

## OUR PRAYERS for the NEEDS OF THE WORLD

- For our Government, Prime Minister and national institutions in the many challenges facing us; for all members of the Royal family
- For all national leaders that they be guided by a Godly wisdom in their decision-making
- For unity within the Anglican Communion; for the selection process for a new Archbishop of Canterbury
- For peace and reconciliation in all areas of conflict—particularly for Israel, Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon, Syria, Ukraine, Sudan, DRC
- For all victims of war; of intolerance, persecution and oppression
- For safe refuge for the displaced and homeless
- For compassion and wisdom in dealing with migrants
- For healthcare services both in this country and throughout the world
- For aid agencies and all who work, both here and abroad, to alleviate poverty, hunger and disease
- For adequate supplies of clean water for all
- For those affected by adverse weather conditions
- For an urgent and determined global response to climate change, pollution and loss of biodiversity

## THIS WEEK'S DIARY

**Sun 23<sup>rd</sup>:** 10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST—St Dunstan's  
12noon SAID EUCHARIST—Cottage Hospice  
6pm CHORAL EVENSONG— St Dunstan's

**Wed 26<sup>th</sup>:** 10am SAID EUCHARIST in the Lady Chapel

**Thurs 27<sup>th</sup>:** 7-9pm MAYFIELD FESTIVAL CHOIR rehearsal

**Sun 2<sup>nd</sup>:** 10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST—St Dunstan's

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

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## Sunday Club

Meet in London House from 10am. The children will join the Service in Church as the 'Peace' is being shared.

Help us, Jesus, to trust in you.  
When stormy times come to us,  
Lord Help us, Jesus, to trust in you.  
When we can't see a way out of our problems, Lord Help us  
When everything seems to go wrong,  
Lord Help us, Jesus, to trust in you.  
When our fears threaten to drown our faith, Lord Help us  
When we are full of doubts and anger, Lord Help us  
When it feels like you just aren't there, Lord Help us,  
When stormy times come upon us, Lord Help us, Jesus, to trust in you. Amen.



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**10am Friday 7 March at St Thomas's**  
**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2025—**  
**A SERVICE FOR US ALL!**

**Kia Orana!** The Christian women in The Cook Islands welcome us!

This group of 15 islands in the South Pacific Ocean has a rich and colourful Māori heritage and a deep connection to nature. Join with us as we pray together and reflect on the uplifting theme: **'I MADE YOU WONDERFUL'**

The World Day of Prayer is celebrated in over 120 countries throughout the world. In Mayfield this provides a wonderful opportunity for our Churches to come together.

**DO COME AND JOIN IN—ALL WELCOME!**  
Coffee, tea and cake after the service.

**COFFEE & CHAT Friday 7 March**  
**CANCELLED** to enable attendance at WDP (above)



**MAYFACS HELPLINE:** 01435 873888 <https://www.mayfacs.org.uk/>

**10.30-11.30am**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
**COFFEE** in  
St Dunstan's  
(after 10am  
Said  
Eucharist).  
**ALL WELCOME**



**SATURDAY PICNICKERS**  
**12.30-2.30pm London House**  
**ALL WELCOME!**



**SAID EUCHARIST—CHAPEL OF THE**  
**GOOD SHEPHERD** at the COTTAGE  
**HOSPICE, FIVE ASHES**  
**12noon 23 FEBRUARY, 9&23 MARCH**



Please click here to help directly with the running costs of St Dunstan's. For additional ways to contribute financially to the life of our church, please see the church website. Thank you.

**DONATE**

## LENT IN ST DUNSTAN'S

### ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

7.30pm on 5th March



### LENT BIBLE STUDY

'HOW RELEVANT ARE THE 10 COMMANDMENTS TO US TODAY?' 10am Tuesdays in St Dunstan's commencing Tuesday 11 March. Please sign the list at the back of church if you would like to come along. All welcome.

### THURSDAY LENT LUNCHES

12-2pm in London House

March 13th	Hospice in the Weald
March 20th	MAYFACS
March 27th	Friends of the Holy Land
April 3rd	Friends of St. Dunstans
April 10th	Family Support Work



Please make a note in your diaries. Your support is greatly appreciated.

### ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

11.30am on SUNDAY 6th APRIL

Please prayerfully consider whether you would like to participate in the life of the church through being a member of the PCC. To find out more, please talk with Fr Michael, the Churchwardens, or current PCC members.

### ECO CHURCH

Caring for the Earth is a key part of the Gospel.....

Webinar: 'THE GREEN HEART OF MISSION'  
2-3pm Thursday 11 March

Register via Eventbrite—please click on logo above.



Mayfield  
Children's Choir

Launching February  
MONDAYS  
3-30—4.30pm  
in ST DUNSTAN'S  
OPEN TO CHILDREN IN  
YEARS 3-6

- \*robes, juice, & biscuits provided
- \*a fun, modern and varied repertoire
- \*free tuition in sight singing & aural training
- \*progress through the RSCM medallion award scheme
- \*events, some services, tours with the church choir

**SAVE THE DATES SAT 24 AND SUN 25 MAY**  
to sing with composer Joanna Forbes L'Estrange and take part in recording an album  
**For more details, contact Lucy Piercy**  
[music.stdunstans@gmail.com](mailto:music.stdunstans@gmail.com)

**A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY ...** Local children, aged 8 upwards, are invited to become **CHORISTER PROBATIONERS**. Singing training provided with rehearsals taking place once a week during term times, sometimes with the church choir. A small fee will be given to probationers for singing in Sunday services. This is an excellent opportunity for young people to develop their musical training, including reading music and sight singing. Social events to include pizza parties! For further details, please email Lucy Piercy, Director of Music, on [music.stdunstans@gmail.com](mailto:music.stdunstans@gmail.com)

For those probationers demonstrating commitment and enthusiasm, there is also a **Youth Choral Scholarship Scheme**. Details of both programmes are available at the back of church.



### ONLINE SHOPPING CAN BENEFIT

**ST DUNSTAN'S!** Please click on the logo to find out how to make charitable donations on your internet purchases without a single penny cost to yourself. The PCC is registered as St Dunstan's Parish Church, Mayfield. THANK YOU!