



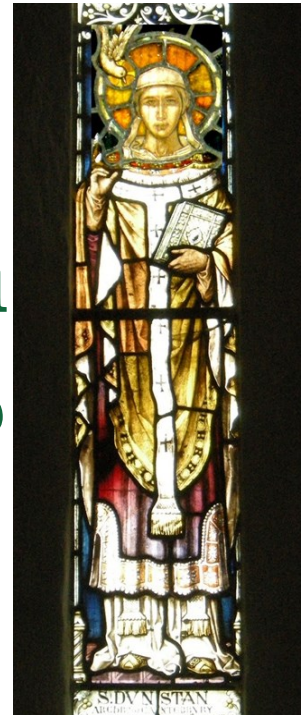
THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MAYFIELD & FIVE ASHES

NEWS from ST. DUNSTAN'S

SUNDAY 30 JANUARY

EPIPHANY 4



10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST

with Fr Michael

Setting: Mass of St Osmund (Halls)

Anthems: When to the temple Mary

went (Eccard); Nunc

Dimittis in B flat major

(Stanford)

Sunday Club



READINGS

1 Corinthians 13: 1-13

Luke 2: 22-40

COLLECT

Inspired by your Spirit, Lord, we gather in your temple to welcome your Son. Enlighten our minds and lay bare our inmost thoughts. Purify your people, and make us obedient to the demands of your law, so that we may mature in wisdom and grow to full stature in your grace. 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

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

A Prayer for Candlemas

Lord God, you are the source of everlasting light.

Your son, our beloved Lord Jesus was presented in the temple forty days after his birth. He was recognised by Simeon and Anna, and welcomed as the promised Messiah.

May we like them, behold the glory of the Lord Jesus.

Grant that we may stand before you with hearts cleansed by your forgiving love.

May we serve you all our days and make your name known as we worship you as our Lord.

So may we come by your grace to eternal life.

Amen.



PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

For our Clergy, Fr Michael Asquith and Deacon Di, our Churchwardens Stephen and Steve, PCC, Nicky, and all who work hard to ensure the smooth running of our church

For our village community: MAYFACS, our schools—both teachers and pupils, the Cottage Hospice, local shops/services

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 : Dennis Blurton and Pam Mather; and for all carers

For the recently departed and for all who mourn the loss of loved ones

For those whose anniversaries fall this at this time: John Wicker, Dorothy Swain, Cyril Barnard, Betty Foster, David Winter, James Chapman, Norma Butters, James Fresson



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, particularly at this time for Ukraine; for all victims of intolerance, persecution and oppression; for safe refuge for the displaced and homeless

For all 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

Wed 2nd: 10am Said Eucharist with Fr Michael
11am 'Prayer Together' - Stone House
Thurs 3rd: 7-9pm Mayfield Festival Choir Practice
Fri 4th: 10-11.30am Coffee & Chat—London House
Sat 5th: 10am Flower Guild AGM—St Dunstan's
Sun 6th: 10.15am Parish Eucharist with Fr Michael

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CHURCH OPENING HOURS: Daily 9am to 4pm

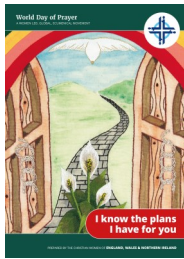
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Website: www.stdunstansmayfield.org.uk Please do be in touch if you would like names added to our prayer list.

 To subscribe to quarterly booklets from the **Bible Reading Fellowship** please contact Nicky in the Parish Office as soon as possible. The cost is approx £15 pa. For more information: <https://www.brfonline.org.uk/collections/our-notes>

'PRAYER TOGETHER' will resume in Stone House (by kind permission of Sister Jean and Sister Maria) at **11am on Wednesday 2nd February** and thereafter at 11am on the first Wednesday of each month. *The entrance is through the white gateway and across the courtyard.* We look forward to welcoming you. 

 **A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**
2pm Friday 4 March at St Thomas's
This year the Service (lasting approx 40 mins) has been put together by the women of England, Wales and Northern Ireland. This is a wonderful opportunity to get together with our friends in the other churches in Mayfield. Tea and cake after the Service!

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

**THE FEAST OF CANDLEMAS
PRESENTATION OF JESUS IN THE
TEMPLE**

Gospel reading: Luke 2: 22 - 40

SONG OF SIMEON:

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people. To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

DONATIONS TO ST DUNSTAN'S:

A simple tap with a payment card of the card reader adjacent to the door in St Dunstan's gives £5 (or to change the amount, please follow the instructions.)

Alternative ways to give:

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

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MAYFACS HELPLINE: 01435 873888

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.

February Services: 13th & 27th



EVENSONG AT CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL



On **Wednesday 16th February**, the choir will be singing Choral Evensong at **5.30pm** at Chichester Cathedral. The service will include four psalms, a canticle setting by Henry Smart, and a wonderful anthem by Malcolm Archer that was commissioned by Anne Clayton, in memory of her husband John. The canticle, entitled 'The Beatitudes' was first performed here at St Dunstan's in 2018 under the direction of the composer.

Do try to come along and support the choir, or, if you are unable to go to Chichester, the same repertoire will be sung at Choral Evensong in St. Dunstan's on **Sunday 13th at 6pm.**

For transport to and from Chichester, there are sign-up lists at the back of church—blue to offer lifts; yellow if you require a lift.

**FRIDAY 4 FEBRUARY
10am—11.30am**



Coffee & Chat

ALL ARE WELCOME to London House on the **first Friday** of every month. Sale table with cakes, biscuits, vegetables etc **We look forward to seeing you.**

Margaret and John Neve thank everyone for their concern and well wishes over John's operation this past week. He is out of hospital and making good progress.



The PCC maintains our churchyard for the whole community, and receives financial support from the Parish Council and the other churches in Mayfield. It also receives significant support from **THE FRIENDS OF MAYFIELD CHURCHYARD** set up solely to raise money for the churchyard, including through Gift Aid. Please consider making a regular donation to the Friends—contact treasurer Barrie Martin tel 873837 or email barriemartin4@gmail.com. Thank you.



FSW are advertising for various vacancies across the Diocese including one for a **part-time family support practitioner for Rotherfield and Crowborough.** Please click on the logo to find out more and then click 'Get involved'!

MUSIC AND MUSICIANS IN YOUR HOME

Would you be able to host one or more competitors for the Tunbridge Wells International Music Competition running from **Wednesday 27 April to Sunday 1 May?**

Further information: Janette Dodd hosts@twimc.org.uk



Monday Tots



St Dunstan's Baby and Toddler Group will resume after half-term. Please watch this space for further details.

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