



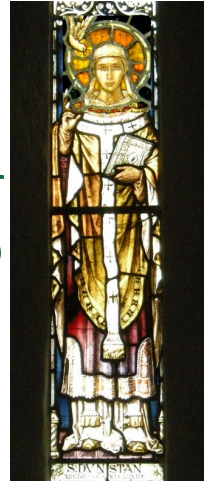
THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MAYFIELD & FIVE ASHES

NEWS from ST. DUNSTAN'S

Sunday 10 March

MOTHERING SUNDAY



10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST

Anthem: *Mine eyes for beauty pine* (Howells)

Setting: *Mass of St Thomas* (Thorne)

SUNDAY CLUB

READINGS:

Colossians 3: 12-17

John 19: 23-27



12noon SAID EUCHARIST at the Cottage Hospice

COLLECT: God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary and Joseph shared the life of a home in Nazareth and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in both joy and sorrow, we may know your power to bring together and to heal, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you,

father, and the Holy Spirit; God for ever and ever.

POST COMMUNION:

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Christ our Lord.

40 DAYS

LET GO, LET GOD

MAKING LENT 2024 SPECIAL

- Friday 8:** Buy seeds and create a wildlife garden (or tub or window box!) to attract birds, bees or butterflies
- Saturday 9:** Pray for the other churches in Mayfield: St Thomas', Colkins Mill and the Baptist Chapel
- Sunday 10:** Light a candle in church and say a prayer for someone
- Monday 11:** Find out about a saint
- Tuesday 12:** Read Psalm 121
- Wednesday 13:** Spend time in prayer at 10am. Either in your own home or join in the midweek service in church at 10am
- Thursday 14:** Think about your school days. Pray for the schools in our parish and our 'Open the Book' team who go into the two church primary schools
- Friday 15:** Think about yourself. How do other people see God working through you?

A PRAYER FOR MOTHERING SUNDAY

Loving God, thank you for mothers and children and for all the joy of family life. Be with those who are grieving because they have no mother; be close to those who are struggling because they have no children; be near to those who are sad because they are far apart from those they love. Let your love be present in every home, and help your church to have eyes to see and ears to hear the needs of all who come. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

PRAY ALSO ...

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

For church growth in numbers, spiritual commitment and in service to our community; for our Lenten activities

For those struggling because of cost of living increases

For our local schools, teachers and pupils

For all known to us who are sick; 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 fall at this time: Phyllis Gardner, Brian Martin, Ann Downer, Amy Baker and Jennifer Misikin

OUR PRAYERS FOR THE NEEDS OF THE WORLD

For our Government, Prime Minister and national institutions in the many challenges facing us

For God's healing hand on King Charles and the Princess of Wales; 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 peace and reconciliation in all areas of conflict—at this time particularly for Israel, Gaza, the West Bank, Yemen, Ukraine, Sudan

For safe refuge for the displaced and homeless

For all victims of intolerance, persecution and oppression

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

Fri 8th: 12.30pm BURIAL OF ASHES— Alan Bennett
 Sat 9th: 11.45—1pm Quarter Peal— visiting bellringers
 2pm MAYFIELD SCHOOL BELL RINGING
 Sun 10th: 10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST—Mothering Sunday
 12noon SAID EUCHARIST in the Cottage Hospice
 Tues 12th: 10-11.30 LENT STUDY GROUP at 1 Aylwins
 Wed 13th: 10am SAID EUCHARIST in the Lady Chapel
 11am OPEN THE BOOK run-through - 'The 2 sons'
 Thurs 14th: 9.30-12noon HOLY DUSTERS
 12-2pm LENT LUNCH for Hospice in the Weald
 7-9pm REHEARSAL Mayfield Festival Choir
 Sun 17th: 10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST

ADVANCE NOTICE: APCM Sunday 7 April at 12 noon

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CHURCH OPENING HOURS: daily 9am to 4pm

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Website: www.stdunstansmayfield.org.uk



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

During Lent we will be focussing (alongside the rest of the congregation) on people associated with Jesus' trials and crucifixion.

This week: **ST MARY and MOTHERING SUNDAY**

Lord Jesus, bless all mothers and carers today and everyday and all who act like them by taking such good care of others. Give them rest when they're tired, and help us to show them the love we feel for them inside every day around the clock. Amen.



Colossians 3: 12-17
 John 19: 23-27

THE ELECTORAL ROLL is now on display at the back of church (names only). This is open for any amendments or new additions until **Sunday 17 March 2024** when it will be closed to further amendments. If you have moved or changed your phone number, please complete an Electoral Roll Correction Form and return it to Nicky in the Parish Office. If you'd like to join the Electoral Roll, please complete an Application for Enrolment on the Church Electoral Roll <http://www.stdunstansmayfield.org.uk/application-for-enrolment-electoral-roll/> and also return to Nicky in the Parish Office. Any forms received after **17 March** will not be included in the new Roll.

LENT 2024 40 DAYS

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SUNDAY SERMON

Sunday 10 March—St Mary

MIDWEEK STUDY GROUP

'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life'
 Tuesday 12th 10am to 11.30am—1 Aylwins
 led by Fr Michael

LENT LUNCHES

12noon Thursday 14 March - London House
 in aid of HOSPICE in the WEALD



(Payment by donation)

For further info and the latest Hospice News, please click on the logo

CHARITIES SUPPORTED AT FUTURE LUNCHES IN MARCH:

Thursday 21st: Friends of St Dunstan's

Thank you to all involved with this week's Lent lunch in aid of FSW—both to the team of caterers/servers and to all those who attended. These lunches are always a popular addition to the St Dunstan's calendar and significant funds are raised. Do try to make the remaining two!

Churches of Mayfield with Wateryard Theatre Group invite you to ...

The Mayfield Passion Play
 Palm Sunday 24 March at 2.30pm

Meet half way down the High Street and thereafter progress through the village

Our dramatization, a unique enactment of the Passion, will bring to life the universal themes of hope, injustice, betrayal, sacrifice, love and redemption. As you follow the story through the village you will become a present-day participant and witness to this epic and eternal story.

Pick up your **free tickets** (from Burnetts or Sew Inspired) to enjoy the full experience and help manage numbers – including joining in the Last Supper. No ticket, no hot cross bun!

(High St partially closed 2-4.30pm with bus diversion in operation)



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.

DONATE

HOLY DUSTERS 9.30-12noon Thurs 14 March—a reminder of the next church cleaning session.



All welcome!
 Coffee provided!

Further info: emma@ryderrichardson.co.uk

A date to keep free in your diary ...



ST DUNSTAN'S FOOD & CRAFT MARKET
 11-3pm Saturday 8 June

A 'rebranding' of our popular Summer Fair with more external stallholders alongside the 'usuals' -BBQ; Pimms; Cakes & produce; Cream teas, Grand Raffle; and additional activities for children. Watch this space!

IDEAS ON HOW TO CONSERVE ENERGY:

When boiling the kettle, only boil up the amount you need.

Remember to place a lid on pans to speed up the heating/boiling process

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



SAID EUCHARIST COTTAGE HOSPICE in FIVE ASHES - Sunday 10&24 March ALL WELCOME

SATURDAY PICNICKERS 12.30-2.30 London House
 Tel Valerie 873253
ALL WELCOME!



ACCOMMODATION NEEDED 1st-5th May 2024



Tunbridge Wells International Music Competition at Mayfield Festival

Nicky Moreton is looking for additional hosts to offer hospitality to competitors in this year's Tunbridge Wells Music Competition. Please contact hosts@twimc.org.uk

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