



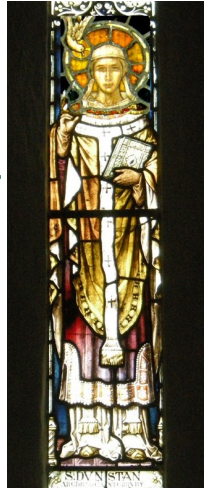
THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MAYFIELD & FIVE ASHES

# NEWS from ST. DUNSTAN'S

## Sunday 24 March

# PALM SUNDAY



### 10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST

Anthem: *Ave verum* (Mozart)  
Setting: *Mass of St Thomas* (Thorne)

### SUNDAY CLUB

12noon SAID EUCHARIST in the Cottage Hospice

### READINGS:

Philippians 2: 5-11  
Mark 11: 1-11



2.30pm PASSION PLAY— High St

6pm CHORAL EVENSONG

**COLLECT:** O God of eternal glory, you anointed Jesus your servant to bear our sins, to encourage the weary, to raise up and restore the fallen. Keep before our eyes the splendour of the paschal mystery of Christ, and, by our sharing in the passion and resurrection, seal our lives with the victorious sign of his obedience and exaltation. We ask this through Christ, our

liberator from sin, who lives with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, holy and mighty God for ever and ever.

**POST COMMUNION:** Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.



- Friday 22:** Say a special prayer for all the young people in our parish
- Saturday 23:** Clear out unwanted items and give to a charity shop
- Sunday 24:** Place your palm cross in a prominent place at home and think about what it means for you.
- Monday 25:** No sugar day – where else is there sweetness in your life?
- Tuesday 26:** Remember in prayer all those at our church who will be working hard this week to make Holy Week and Easter special.
- Wednesday 27:** Read and think about 1 Corinthians chapter 11 verses 23-25
- Thursday 28:** Come to church to join in the celebration of Maundy Thursday and Jesus' last supper before joining in the silent prayer vigil
- Friday 29:** Read about Jesus trials and death – Matthew chapter 27

### A PRAYER for HOLY WEEK

Father in heaven, who sent your only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sin, show us how to honour you and bring glory to your name, by walking in the way of Jesus. Give us grace and mercy as we try and fail, give us guidance when we are not sure which way to go, and give us wisdom to trust you in all things. For your love brings light and life to all who seek it. May we seek you evermore as we walk with you through this Holy Week and beyond. **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:** Warwick Child, Eileen Hemsley, Anne Trouton, Sybil Blurton and Jessie David Mitchell

### 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

Sun 24<sup>th</sup>: 10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST—PALM SUNDAY  
 12noon SAID EUCHARIST in the Cottage Hospice  
 2.30pm MAYFIELD PASSION PLAY on the High St  
 6pm CHORAL EVENSONG in St Dunstan's

Wed 27<sup>th</sup>: 10am SAID EUCHARIST in the Lady Chapel

Thurs 28<sup>th</sup>: am HOLY DUSTERS (top-up clean)  
 7.30pm MASS of the LAST SUPPER—St Dunstan's

Fri 29<sup>th</sup>: 2pm GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE—St Dunstan's

Sat 30<sup>th</sup>: 7.30pm EASTER VIGIL—St Dunstan's

Sun 31<sup>st</sup>: 10.15am EASTER FESTIVAL PARISH EUCHARIST

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

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

This week: **Jesus and His relationship with his Father**

*Holy Spirit, we pray that you would open the hearts and minds of all those who do not yet know you, that they would recognise Jesus, the promised king. Amen.*



Philippians 2 verses 5 - 11  
 Mark 11 verses 1 - 11

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES

**PALM SUNDAY MARCH 24<sup>th</sup>**  
 10.15am Sung Eucharist  
 2.30pm Mayfield Passion Play  
 6pm Choral Evensong

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 27<sup>th</sup>**  
 10am Holy Communion

**MAUNDY THURSDAY MARCH 28<sup>th</sup>**  
 7.30pm Sung Eucharist, including the Washing of Feet, followed by a silent watch of prayer finishing with Compline at 9.30pm



**GOOD FRIDAY MARCH 29<sup>th</sup>**  
 2pm Good Friday Liturgy after which the church will be locked

**HOLY SATURDAY MARCH 30<sup>th</sup>**  
 7.30pm Easter Vigil: as dusk settles so we gather around the fire for the first celebration of Easter

**EASTER SUNDAY MARCH 31<sup>st</sup>**  
 10.15 Sung Eucharist to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus



**SATURDAY PICNICKERS**  
 12.30-2.30 London House including Easter weekend. Tel Valerie 873253



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



**SAID EUCHARIST COTTAGE HOSPICE** in FIVE ASHES - Sunday 24 March



**CHURCHYARD WORKING PARTY**  
 10-12noon SATURDAY 6th APRIL

All age groups are welcome to come along (equipped with gardening tools) to help tidy the churchyard. Coffee included!



If the weather is poor, please phone Stephen on 07780 684486, or Mike on 07710 319348.

Future dates: 11 May, 1 June, 6 July, 3 Aug.

*Choral Evensong*

**THIS SUNDAY (24th) at 6pm**



We are delighted to announce that the position of **DIRECTOR OF MUSIC** has been filled. We look forward to welcoming **LUCY PIERCY** on 14 April.

**THIS SUNDAY!**

Church of Mayfield with Wateryard  
 are 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

A unique enactment of the Passion bringing to life the universal themes of hope, injustice, betrayal, sacrifice, love and redemption. Come and be a present-day participant and witness to this epic and eternal story. **Please collect your free tickets** from Burnetts or Sew Inspired to enjoy the full experience and help manage numbers/ordering of hot cross buns!



LENT 2024 40 DAYS

LET GO, LET GOD

### SUNDAY SERMON

Sunday 24 March—Jesus and the relationship with his Father

EASTER LILIES IN MEMORY OR IN DEDICATION

Envelopes for your donation (lilies £3 each) are available at the back of church. Please hand to a member of the Flower Guild or Fr Michael by Sunday 24th. Thank you.



APCM

11.30am Sunday 16 April 2024 after 10.15am Parish Eucharist

**APCM ELECTIONS:** nomination papers are available at the back of church for:

- 1 Churchwarden,
- 3 PCC Members (for 2 years),
- 3 PCC Members (for 3 years),
- 1 Deanery Rep

**In addition a new PCC Secretary is needed.**

Further information: please see Stephen.

MAYFACS HELPLINE: 01435 873888



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.

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PLEASE DON'T FORGET ...

**ECO CHURCH**  
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**Community composting in the Churchyard:**

kitchen waste—fruit, vegetables, flowers; but please no meat, bones, cooked food, cake, nor woody shrub/tree cuttings.

Thank you.