



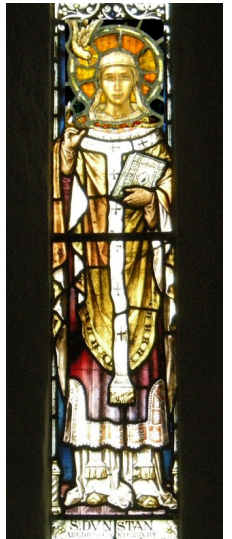
THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MAYFIELD & FIVE ASHES

NEWS from ST. DUNSTAN'S

Sunday 30 March

Mothering Sunday



10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST

Setting: *Crux Fidelis: John IV of Portugal*

READINGS:

1 Samuel 1: 20-end
Luke 2: 33-35



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.

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

CHURCH PRAYER DIARY

- Friday 28th: Skippers Hill Prep school
- Saturday 29th: All those on the Coffee Rota
- Sunday 30th: Our Social Committee and events
- Monday 31st: Mayfield Baptist church/congregation
- Tuesday 1st: Our Vicar, Fr Michael, and Jo
- Wednesday 2nd: Mayfield Primary School
- Thursday 3rd: Deacon Di
- Friday 4th: Five Ashes Primary 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: Jenny and David

Whittall; 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: Sybil Blurton, Jessie David Mitchell, Menda Lambrinudi, Christine Ross, Michael Martin and Doris Cloult

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER

Jesus, like a mother
you gather your people to you;
you are gentle with us
as a mother with her children.
Despair turns to hope
through your sweet goodness;
through your gentleness
we find comfort in fear.
Your warmth
gives life to the dead,
your touch
makes sinners righteous.
Lord Jesus,
in your mercy heal us;
in your love and tenderness
remake us.
In your compassion
bring grace and forgiveness,
for the beauty of heaven
may your love prepare us.

Anselm (1109)

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 peace and reconciliation in all areas of conflict—particularly for Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon, Syria, 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 an urgent and determined global response to climate change, pollution and loss of biodiversity
For unity within the Anglican Communion; for the selection process for a new Archbishop of Canterbury

THIS WEEK'S DIARY



Sun 30th: **BRITISH SUMMER TIME BEGINS**
 10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST

Mon 31st: **3.30-4.30pm MAYFIELD CHILDRENS' CHOIR**

Tues 1st: **10am LENTEN GROUP— St Dunstan's**

Wed 2nd: **10am SAID EUCHARIST** in the Lady Chapel
 2pm Mayfield CEP School **EASTER SERVICE**

Thurs 3rd: **12-2pm LENT LUNCH—London House**
 7-9pm **MAYFIELD FESTIVAL CHOIR** rehearsal

Fri 4th: **10-11.30am COFFEE & CHAT—London House**

Sat 5th: **10-12noon CHURCHYARD WORKING PARTY**

Sun 6th: **10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST—St Dunstan's**
 11.30am **ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING** – St Dunstan's

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CHURCH OPENING HOURS: daily 9am to 5pm

LENT IN ST DUNSTAN'S



LENT BIBLE STUDY
 'HOW RELEVANT ARE THE 10
 COMMANDMENTS TO US TODAY?'
 10am Tuesdays in St Dunstan's.
 All welcome.

EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS



Throughout Lent, we will be exhibiting a series of paintings depicting the Stations of the Cross. The paintings are unusual in that they portray the events of Holy Week through the eyes of Jesus. **Do come and take a look.** The leaflet at the back of church provides a thought provoking reflection for each of the stations.

THURSDAY LENT LUNCHES

12-2pm in London House
THIS WEEK—April 3rd
in aid of FRIENDS OF ST DUNSTAN'S
 For information on 'The Friends', please click [here](#).



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

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

11.30AM SUNDAY 6TH APRIL
 Please prayerfully consider whether you would like to participate in the life of the church through being a Churchwarden or member of the PCC. To find out more, please talk with Fr Michael, the Churchwardens, or current PCC members.
CURRENT VACANCIES
 2 Churchwardens * 4 PCC Members
 Nomination Forms at the back of church



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

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.



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 Luke 2: 33-35

VILLAGE WORKING PARTY



ST DUNSTAN'S CHURCHYARD
 10am – 12noon
SATURDAY 5 APRIL
 Please come well equipped.
 Coffee provided!



COFFEE & CHAT

10-11.30 4th APRIL
 in London House
 A lovely opportunity to pop in for a friendly chat over a cup of coffee/tea. A WARM WELCOME AWAITS!



Do think of buying and cooking seasonal produce. Look for British—and possibly locally grown—kale, carrots, purple sprouting broccoli and cauliflower.

EASTER LILIES in MEMORY or in DEDICATION
 Envelopes for your donations (lilies £3 each) are available at the back of church. Please hand to a member of the Flower Guild or Fr Michael as soon as possible. Thank you.



CONGRATULATIONS to Guy Mantoura appointed to Senior Officer in the Air Cadets for Sussex.



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 13 & 27 APRIL



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

Meeting 31 March and thereafter 28 April onwards during term time
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



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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.