



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MAYFIELD & FIVE ASHES



# NEWS from ST. DUNSTAN'S

## Sunday 8 May – Easter 4

**10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST with Fr Christopher Channer**  
**12noon SAID EUCHARIST—Cottage Hospice with Deacon Di**

Setting: *Mass of St Osmund (Halls)*  
Anthem: *A new commandment (Mundy)*

Sunday Club

### READINGS

Acts 9: 36-end  
John 10: 22-30



### COLLECT:

Safe in your hand, O God, is the flock you shepherd through Jesus your Son. Lead us always to the living waters where you promise respite and refreshment, that we may be counted among those who know and follow you. We ask this through Jesus Christ, resurrection and the life, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy

Spirit, God for ever and ever.

### POST COMMUNION:

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Sunday 15 May – Easter 5

**10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST with Fr David Milnes**

Setting: *Communion service in F (Darke)*  
Anthem: *Greater Love (Ireland)*

Sunday Club

### READINGS

Acts 11: 1-18  
John 13: 31-35



### COLLECT:

We behold your glory, O God, in the love shown by your Son, lifted up on the cross and exalted on high. Increase our love for one another, that both in name and in truth we may be disciples of the risen Lord Jesus, and so reflect by our lives the glory that is yours. Grant this through Jesus Christ, the first-born from the dead,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

### POST COMMUNION:

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

### IN THE CHURCH PRAYER DIARY ...

- Friday 6th: Mayfield Scout Group
- Saturday 7th: Nicky Higgins, Parish Administrator
- Sunday 8th: Five Ashes Cottage Hospice
- Monday 9th: Robin Holliday, our Treasure
- Tuesday 10th: Mayfield Festival of Music and the Arts
- Wednesday 11th: Our PCC, and secretary Emma R-R
- Thursday 12th: MAYFACS
- Friday 13th: Deanery Synod Reps: Karen Mack, Emma Ryder-Richardson, Denise Packham
- Saturday 14th: Colkins Mill church and its congregation
- Sunday 15th: Andrew Benians, our Musical Director
- Monday 16th: Mayfield & Five Ashes Parish Councillors
- Tuesday 17th: St Dunstan's Choir
- Wednesday 18th: Mayfield School for girls
- Thursday 19th: Vanessa and our bell ringers
- Friday 20th: All who care for the church fabric

### PRAY ALSO ...

For the courage to make the most of every opportunity to share our faith with others through words and deeds  
For local endeavours to assist Ukrainian refugees

For those struggling because of cost of living increases  
For all known to us who are sick; for all carers  
For the recently departed: Dennis Blurton, Ann Frost, Kathryn Setford; and for all those who mourn  
For those whose anniversaries fall at this time: Sonia Kersley, Jane Fauvel, Sheila Turpin, Kathleen Woodyatt, Timothy Maskell, Faith Cox and Peter Fox

### AND FOR PEACE ...

*God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today.  
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.  
We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.  
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.*

## CHURCH DIARY

Sat 7<sup>th</sup> : 1-4.30pm **MAY FAIR**—Mayfield High Street  
Sun 8<sup>th</sup> : 10.15am **PARISH EUCHARIST** with Fr Christopher  
12noon **SAID EUCHARIST**—Cottage Hospice with Deacon Di  
Wed 11<sup>th</sup> : 10am **SAID EUCHARIST**—Fr David Milnes  
11am **PRAYER TOGETHER**—Stone House  
Sun 15<sup>th</sup> : 10.15am **PARISH EUCHARIST**—Fr David Milnes  
Wed 18<sup>th</sup> : 10am **SAID EUCHARIST**  
Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> : 9.30am **HOLY DUSTERS**  
Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> : 10.15am **ST DUNSTAN'S DAY—PATRONAL EUCHARIST** followed by Drinks and Canapes

### CONTACT DETAILS FOR FR MICHAEL ASQUITH:

Tel: 01435 873431 email: [vicar.stdunstans@gmail.com](mailto:vicar.stdunstans@gmail.com)

**CHURCH OPENING HOURS:** Daily 9am to 5pm

If you are unable to reach Fr Michael, please contact the Churchwardens—contact details on the church website

**PARISH OFFICE EMAIL** [office.stdunstans@gmail.com](mailto:office.stdunstans@gmail.com)

Office hours: 9am-1pm Mon, Wed, Fri. Tel: 873484.

Website: [www.stdunstansmayfield.org.uk](http://www.stdunstansmayfield.org.uk) Please be in touch if you would like names added to our prayer list.



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



### SUNDAY 8TH MAY GOSPEL READING JOHN 10:22-30

This week we explore what it means to believe and belong; the link between belief and action; the gift of eternal life..

*Loving God, we want to follow you this week. When we feel small or alone, at home or at school, remind us that we are your sheep, and part of your family. Amen.*

### SUNDAY 15TH MAY GOSPEL READING JOHN 13:31-35

*Lord Jesus, help us to love others as you have loved us especially when we find it difficult. Amen*

**SAID EUCHARIST: CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD at the COTTAGE HOSPICE in FIVE ASHES:**  
12 noon on 8 May, June 12.



## MAYFIELD FESTIVAL—last remaining concerts in ST DUNSTAN'S



7pm Fri 6: **Metropolis—Epic Silent Film**  
7.30pm Sat 7: **Piano Recital—Joanna MacGregor**  
7.30pm Sun 8: **Orchestral—Vaughan Williams**  
Full details/booking: [www.mayfieldfestival.co.uk](http://www.mayfieldfestival.co.uk)  
...and don't forget the **ART EXHIBITION**



**THANK YOU** to all who have made this year's Festival of Music and the Arts so enjoyable and memorable.

Standing ovation at Oxford Camerata/Mayfield Consort concert!

### APCM—7.30pm THURSDAY 26th MAY

Please put this date in your diaries.

Important elections will take place and we would ask that you be praying for the right people to come forward to take up the following positions:

**Churchwardens** (both Stephen and Steve are happy to stand for re-election)

**PCC ordinary members—4 vacancies**

**Deanery Representative—1 vacancy**

Nomination forms are available at the back of church and on the church website (under 'Resources'). Please hand to Fr Michael or Secretary, Emma Ryder-Richardson.

Lists of those nominated will also be posted at the back of church but nominations can be received up to the meeting itself.

Thank you to retiring PCC Members—Jo Eates, Zoe Linden, Mike Hand-Bowman—for their much valued contribution to the life of our church in recent years.

NEW!

### SATURDAY PICKNICKERS

12.30-2.30pm commencing 21st May in London House

Bring your own packed lunch and chat with fellow picknickers. Tea/coffee available & facilities to heat soup/pies.

All queries: Valerie 01435 873253.



## PRAYING 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 the Queen and Royal Family in this Platinum Jubilee year  
For all those continuing to be adversely affected by Covid; for equitable distribution of vaccine; for scientists  
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

**HOLY DUSTERS: 9.30-12noon Thursday 19th May** A reminder of the next church cleaning session for all the regulars plus anyone else who might like to come along. Coffee provided! This is becoming quite a social occasion—the more the merrier!

Thank you to all those who have continued to support St Dunstan's throughout the pandemic. The Collection Plate is back in use during our services (cheques payable to Mayfield PCC). There are a variety of ways to contribute to the life of our church:

**Monthly** (gift aided where possible) through the **Parish Giving scheme** which is simple to set up (and amend) - forms available at the back of church, online <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/mayfield-tunbridge-wells/> or tel 0333 002 1271. Parish reference: 10-3020370

**Direct bank transfers:** A/c Mayfield PCC 55-70-13, 08277540 (gift aided if possible). Use of the **donate button** (also on the church web site)-click above.

**Contactless card machine** adjacent to the door in St Dunstan's, set to receive a £5 donation but can be adjusted to other amounts. Our treasurer, **Robin Holliday** is happy to help with any queries: 01435 873822; e mail [robinholliday@gmail.com](mailto:robinholliday@gmail.com)

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Belated Birthday greetings to  
Fr Michael and Jo!

