

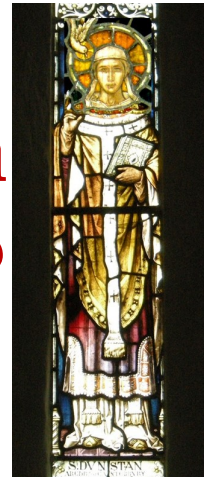


THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MAYFIELD & FIVE ASHES

NEWS from ST. DUNSTAN'S

Sunday 22 September HARVEST FESTIVAL



10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST

followed by Harvest Parish Lunch from 12noon

Mass Setting: *St Helen's (Forbes L'Estrange)*
Anthem: *For the Beauty of the Earth (Parsons)*

SUNDAY CLUB

READINGS:

1 Timothy 6: 6-10
Matthew 6: 25-33

COLLECT:



Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

POST COMMUNION:

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; 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 20th:** All who own businesses within the parish, including our farmers
- Saturday 21st:** Nina Sanderson and the Flower Guild
- Sunday 22nd:** Mayfield and Five Ashes Parish Councillors
- Monday 23rd:** Holy Dusters
- Tuesday 24th:** St Thomas' RC Church and congregation
- Wednesday 25th:** Our work with children and young people, especially Sunday Club
- Thursday 26th:** Doctors/staff at Woodhill Surgery and Mayfield dentists
- Friday 27th:** Our sidespeople

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 teachers and pupils** in our local schools
- For those struggling** because of cost of living increases
- For all known to us who are unwell; for those awaiting hospital appointments/surgery; for the NHS/all carers**
- For the recently departed:** Vaila Pring; **and all who mourn the loss of loved ones** particularly Valerie at this sad time
- For those whose anniversaries fall at this time:** Celia Fairbourn, Sheila Humphrey and Patricia Macdonald

A HARVEST PRAYER

 **Thank you** for the smile of the child: eyes bright, belly full, licking the last caked crumbs from his spoon.

Thank you for the pride of the woman: arms spread, palms stretched, heavy with her first year's harvest.

Thank you for the joy of the man: coming home to his family's future with fair payment for his crops.

Thank you for the love of the neighbour: seeing another's need, sharing from the little she owns. 

Thank you for the hope that we share: determination that all should enjoy the richness of your harvest. *Amy Fox*

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 unity within the Anglican Communion

For peace and reconciliation in all areas of conflict—at this time particularly for Israel, Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon, Ukraine, Sudan

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 those recently affected by adverse weather conditions; for an urgent and determined global response to climate change, pollution and loss of biodiversity



THIS WEEK'S DIARY

Sat 21st: pm MAYFIELD BOYS & BELLES CARNIVAL—High St
 Sun 22th: 10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST—St Dunstan's followed by 12noon HARVEST LUNCH
 Tues 24th: 9.30am Mayfield CEP School Harvest Festival 6.30/7pm PCC MEETING—London House
 Wed 25th: 10am SAID EUCHARIST in the Lady Chapel 11am OPEN THE BOOK run-through—St Dunstan's
 Thurs 26th: 10.30am FUNERAL/INTERMENT of Vaile Pring 7-9pm MAYFIELD FESTIVAL CHOIR rehearsal
 Fri 27th: from 6pm set up for KNOW YOUR PARISH
 Sat 28th: 10.30-1.30pm KNOW YOUR PARISH—St Dunstan's
 Sun 29th: 10.15am PARISH EUCHARIST—St Dunstan's 12noon SAID EUCHARIST—Cottage Hospice 6pm CHORAL EVENSONG—St Dunstan's

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Sunday Club

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

Lord, we give thanks for all farmers who work long hours to provide us with so much of our food. They work in all weathers to look after the land and their animals. May they rest after a busy day before having to get up very early to start another very busy day. Lord thank you for farmers and thank you farmers for our food. Amen



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PARISH WALK followed by tea and cake from 2pm on Sunday 6 October. Come and join in the fun at any point in the afternoon. The walk (for all ages and abilities) will start from St Dunstan's Porch at 2pm and conclude with a short service at 3pm followed by tea and cake. Dogs are most welcome!



SATURDAY PICNICKERS
 12.30-2.30
 London House
 ALL WELCOME!

SAID EUCHARIST—CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD at the COTTAGE HOSPICE, FIVE ASHES
 12 noon 29 SEPT, 13 & 27 OCT
 ALL WELCOME.



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



GOLDBERG VARIATIONS by candlelight in the Mayfield School Chapel with Jack Gonzalez Harding
 7pm Sunday 29 September Tickets:
<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/mayfieldfestival/>

MAYFACS HELPLINE: 01435 873888
<https://www.mayfacs.org.uk/>

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.

DONATE



HARVEST FESTIVAL Sunday 22 September

Once again we will be making a collection of non-perishable goods (see list below) for FSW to distribute to families in need. Please bring your offerings to the service on Sunday or, if preferred, monetary donations can be made using the Gift Aid envelopes in church or the donation plate on the door. THANK YOU for your support.

- Pasta sauce
- Ketchup / Mayonnaise
- Biscuits / Crisps
- Tinned meat / fish
- Snack bars
- Cereal
- Canned vegetables
- Baked beans
- Soup
- Jams and spreads
- Coffee and tea
- Tinned fruit



KNOW YOUR PARISH 10.30-1.30pm

Saturday 28 September in St Dunstan's & organised by The Mayfieldians
 * Make new friends * Widen your horizons*
 Come and find out about the many and varied groups and societies for adults and children alike in both Mayfield and Five Ashes. You may be surprised at what's on offer! Refreshments available.

**CHOOSE A HYMN: as of October, the Gradual Hymn will be chosen by a member of the congregation. Please list the first line of a hymn that is special to you on the form at the back of Church and be prepared to explain your choice within the service. Thank you.

50 churches in UK have hit GOLD! St Dunstan's is ECO CHURCH striving for SILVER.

Thank you to the team involved with this initiative: Tessa Younger (member of Mayfield Eco-group), Deacon Di (Worship & Teaching), Stephen Blurton (Church fabric), Lindy James (Children), Jane Urban (Lifestyle), Kate Chessells (Churchyard).

To find out more, do consult the team—offers of help are always welcome.



We are warmly welcomed two to three times each term into the CEP schools in Mayfield and Five Ashes and have great fun telling pre-scripted Bible Stories. Why not come along to our run-through meeting to find out more?
 11am Wednesday 25 September in St Dunstan's.

AN OPEN INVITATION: 4pm SUNDAY 22 SEPTEMBER—a special East Sussex Evensong at St Mary's Church, Battle (TN33 0AN) with the CHOIR OF CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL Anthem: *Beati quorum via integra est* (Stanford); Edward Dowler preaching; Bishop Martin presiding. All welcome.

Choral Evensong

6pm SUNDAY 29 SEPTEMBER in St Dunstan's
 Do come along to this wonderfully poignant service—everyone welcome.