



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

MAYFIELD & FIVE ASHES

NEWS from ST. DUNSTAN'S SUNDAY 21 MARCH



LENT 5

SUNDAY SERVICES

10.15am SAID EUCHARIST with BISHOP WILL HAZLEWOOD in ST DUNSTAN'S - to be 'live-streamed' (see over)

READINGS:

Jeremiah 31: 31-34
John 12: 20-33



COLLECT

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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 Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

PAUSE FOR THOUGHT

John 12:20-33

In today's Gospel John tells of foreigners being drawn to Jesus and he catches sight of a potential future when people everywhere are giving God glory and worshipping in spirit and truth (v23).

At the same time he sees his own future and the "glory" of the necessary cross; he battles with his human instinct to shy

away from the inevitable pain and death (v27)and the triumph is that LOVE won and submission to the father's will.

When we forgo our own personal aims and ambitions, we are often more useful to God (John12:25, 26). Otherwise, to quote William Barclay, "no doubt we might exist longer – but we will never live."

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A PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Jesus our brother,
You followed the necessary path
and were broken on our behalf.
May we neither cling to our pain
where it is futile,
nor refuse to embrace the cost
when it is required of us:
that in losing our selves for Your sake,
we may be brought to new life.
Amen

Janet Morley



PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Giving thanks: for Deacon Di, visiting clergy, our Churchwardens and PCC, Nicky in the Office, and all those working hard in so many different ways to keep things going during the vacancy; for the reopening of our church, praying that the congregation will keep safe

For the recruitment process for a new incumbent: as advertisements are placed, we pray for the discernment of God's will for our parish and for wisdom for those on the interviewing panel

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

For those who are anxious or fearful about the future particularly those whose jobs are at risk

For all who continue to miss gathering together socially; but giving thanks for the efficient roll out of the Covid vaccine

For all known to us who are sick in body, mind or spirit: Pam Mather , Alf Thompson

For the recently departed : Donald Cameron, and all those who are grieving at this time

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

- Sun 21st:** 10.15am Said Eucharist—in ST DUNSTAN'S with BISHOP WILL with live-streaming via Zoom**
- Mon 22nd:** Work commences in the Bell Tower
- Tues 23rd:** Diocesan Lent Course Session 5 via Zoom**
- Wed 24th:** Said Eucharist with Fr David Milnes
- Thurs 25th:** 8am Organ tuning
- Fri 26th:** 12.30pm Lenten Lunch via Zoom—MAYFACS
- Sun 28th:** BRITISH SUMMER TIME begins
10.15am – PALM SUNDAY Parish Eucharist with Fr Christopher Channer

Live-streaming of Sunday Services

uses the Zoom link below.

(Those at home might like to download the Order of Service from the church website—select Church Life/Services/Service Sheet)

PLEASE NOTE: NHS TRACK & TRACE QR code now available in in the church porch. Thank you.

**ZOOM LINK for SUNDAY SERVICES, 'COFFEE' and LENT COURSE

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82110568906?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82110568906?pwd=TDJ3MU85L2dmTmZaU28va2JYM3dMUT09)

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or enter the ID 82110568906, passcode: 506133

Or tel: 0203 4815240 Meeting Code 82110568906 followed by #;

Participant Code #; and Passcode 506133 followed by #

For further guidance please call : 01435 872665 (Philip James) or

07710 319348 (Mike Hand-Bowman)

During services please remember to place yourself on 'mute' to avoid distraction to others. Thank you.

EASTER SERVICES: For the services on Palm Sunday and Easter Day (in order to ensure everyone's safety) please contact Nicky in the office to reserve your place—Tel: 873484 ; e-mail stdunstan@tiscali.co.uk . Deadline for Palm Sunday: Wed. 24th March; deadline for Easter Day: Wed. 31st March. Thank you.



DEANERY SYNOD—7.30pm TUESDAY 23 MARCH OPEN MEETING

via Zoom with Bishop Will speaking on the Church of England's Environmental Agenda with additional input from Penny Evans from Ticehurst and Flimwell, recipients of an Eco Church Silver Award.

ALL WELCOME. Zoom link details:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82511920753?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82511920753?pwd=YmpIY2hNZHk0Z1lHWWhUVTZQVDZJQT09)

[pwd=YmpIY2hNZHk0Z1lHWWhUVTZQVDZJQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82511920753?pwd=YmpIY2hNZHk0Z1lHWWhUVTZQVDZJQT09)

Meeting ID: 825 1192 0753 Passcode: 864864

SUPPORTING THE CHURCH FINANCIALLY

THANK YOU to everyone who continues to support the Church's work through

- membership of the Planned Giving Scheme
- making transfers directly to the Mayfield PCC bank account (sort code 55-70-13, account number 08277540)
- using the DONATE button or QR code

The Church's income has been hit by the pandemic so your support is so vital and much appreciated.



FRIDAY LENTEN LUNCHES

12.30-1.30pm by ZOOM!



TODAY (19th): HOSPICE IN THE WEALD

NEXT FRIDAY (26th): MAYFACS



A 10-minute talk will be followed by the opportunity to chat and enjoy being together over a bowl of soup—cooked by you in your own home!

To Join the zoom session, simply download the 'zoom cloud meetings' app to your phone, tablet or computer and click on this link

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89825676505?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89825676505?pwd=UVZpMFgyNGFYMitkZHVQVi9hRjJxdz09)

[pwd=UVZpMFgyNGFYMitkZHVQVi9hRjJxdz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89825676505?pwd=UVZpMFgyNGFYMitkZHVQVi9hRjJxdz09)

But if you like, you can simply join by phone: dial 0203 481 5240 and when requested enter: Meeting ID: 898 2567 6505 followed by #, participant number: #, passcode 837238 followed by #

Details on how make donations online or in person have been circulated and will be given on the day.

**ZOOM COFFEE—SUNDAYS at 11.15am

Whether you are at church or watching at home, there will still be an opportunity to meet for coffee afterwards! Just click on the church Zoom link. (This session will be independent of the church service.)

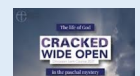


BUILDING WORK starts in the tower on 22nd March and should be complete by April 9th or before. During this time there is **strictly no access to the vestry area** except for services and the week-ends. The builders will have the trap door open to get their equipment and materials up to the top of the tower. Any queries please contact Jo: 01435 872400 jwoodliffe@aol.com.

DIOCESAN LENT COURSE—'CRACKED WIDE OPEN' 10am Tuesday mornings via Zoom

Focussing on video conversations between Bishop Will and Bishop Ruth. The talks are readily available on <https://www.chichester.anglican.org/lent-2021/> ; but if you'd like to join a group discussion, just click on the church Zoom link at 10am on a Tuesday (details above). **ALL WELCOME.**

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING BISHOP WILL to ST DUNSTAN'S THIS SUNDAY 21st MARCH.



John 12: 20–33 'All are welcome'

Philip and Andrew have learned that no one is too much trouble for Jesus and are confident in bringing people to him, even people who might normally be seen as outsiders. Jesus speaks about his death and resurrection and finishes with an assurance that he will draw everyone to himself. This week we explore what we need to let go, in order to welcome others.



Dear God, Just as a grain of wheat needs to let go of its seed to grow into a great big plant, help us to let go of the things that hold us back from loving you. Amen.

Please see the Church website for further details of the weekly activities posted for our younger members.

USEFUL CONTACTS:

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Office hours: 9-1pm Mon, Wed, Fri—emails/phone calls only.

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PLEASE BE IN TOUCH IF YOU WOULD LIKE NAMES ADDED TO OUR PRAYER LIST.

MAYFACS HELPLINE: 01435 873888.