

# Welcome to St Dunstan's and Southville Churches

Feltham Ecumenical Parish:  
Anglican and Methodist Churches in  
partnership

Sunday  
6 March 2022

**Lent I**

Today is the first Sunday of Lent. This year Christians will reflect and prepare for the great celebration of Easter against a backdrop of war in Europe. The Russian attack on Ukraine does not leave room for moral relativism and I was pleased to note that the Archbishops of Canterbury and York have not minced their words. In a pastoral letter, they state, "The attack by one nation on a free, democratic country has rightly provoked outrage, sanctions and condemnation." We are asked to pray for Ukraine and for Russia too. It is as well to remember that the Russian army is comprised mostly of conscripts. Many of these soldiers are just teenagers and there are reports of low morale and desertion among the ranks.

As yet NATO has refused to enforce a no-fly zone in the skies above Ukraine for fear of a nuclear stand-off with Russia. The world suddenly seems a very dangerous place indeed. We are reminded that peace is as fragile as it is precious. The television pictures of families fleeing war are chillingly reminiscent of the movement of refugees across Europe during and after World War Two. There are many excellent local and national initiatives to assist those displaced by this war and I discern a spirit of generosity in the UK and across Europe towards their plight. Please continue to pray for peace in the days and weeks ahead and for minimal loss of life. Young people in Ukraine and Russia desire to live in a liberal, democratic and pluralistic society so let us pray for their future and for the peaceful conclusion of this most disgusting spectacle without delay.

*Duncan Forsyth*

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## Methodist Circuit

**Bible Study** by Zoom™ or phone on Thursdays starting at 10.00am, please join by 09:45. Contact Graham Wells for details on 01784 258785 or [g.wells988@gmail.com](mailto:g.wells988@gmail.com).

## Church notices: Southville Methodist

Sunday services at 10.30am:

6<sup>th</sup> March: **Morning worship** led by Mrs. Margaret Ash

13<sup>th</sup> March: **Holy Communion** led by the Revd. Andrew Reed

Southville Church is **open for private prayer** on the first Saturday of the month, 09:30-10:30am.

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## Southville and St. Dunstan together

There will be a weekly **EPC Lent bible study** on Zoom™ – on Tuesdays at 8pm. The first meeting is this Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March. Please contact Marilyn Woodley [marilynwoodley971@btinternet.com](mailto:marilynwoodley971@btinternet.com) if you would like to join asap – **today if at all possible**.

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## Church Notices: St. Dunstan, Church of England

### Sunday services:

9.30am: **Morning Prayer** on Zoom™

9.45am: **Holy Communion** in church

plus **Today** at 9.45: **Junior Church** in the Church Centre (Reception to Year 6 age)

### Wednesdays:

10.00am: **Holy Communion** in Church

### Regular events

Every Monday 10.00am to 12 noon: the **Monday drop-in** in the Church Centre. Come along and share refreshments, try your hand at crafts, or just have a chat. All welcome, bring your friends!

The fortnightly **Bible study on Zoom™**. will begin again after Easter.

Second Thursday of the month, 2.00-4.00pm: **WOT group** (Women on Thursdays) meet in the Church Centre. Next meeting on Thursday (10<sup>th</sup> March) when we shall be making cards with Susan Collins. **Please note:** the April meeting will be on 7<sup>th</sup> April, i.e. a week earlier than usual, as 14<sup>th</sup> April will be Maundy Thursday.

By arrangement, 10am one Sunday in the month: **Young people's fellowship** group meet in the Church Centre. **YPF will relaunch on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March.** For children aged 11 upwards; speak to Melanie O'Neill or the Vicar.

**Messy Church** on 24<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm at St Dunstan's church for children in Reception to Year 6 with their parent/carer.

Following the lifting of Covid-19 restrictions in England, please continue to look after and protect each other when attending our services and events. Please do not attend with Covid-19 or symptoms.

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### Dates for your diary

St Dunstan's will be **collecting donations to support Angel Tree for Mothering Sunday** for the mothers of those held in Feltham Young Offenders Institution this and next Sunday. Collection is for cards, postage and a gift voucher of £5.

7pm Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March **St Dunstan's PCC meeting** on zoom.

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 7.00pm: **'Everyday rituals and the beauty of holiness: Evelyn Underhill for the 21<sup>st</sup> century'** – a talk by Ayla Lepine of The National Gallery, in a series at St. Paul's Knightsbridge called 'New Voices in Theology'. Attendance in person or online, free of charge: register at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/new-voices-in-theology-lecture-ayla-lepine-tickets-207194543457>

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, **National Day of Reflection:** St Dunstan's church will be open for individual prayer from after the 10am service until 12 noon.

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm: **Messy Church** at St. Dunstan's.

**Mothering Sunday** on 27<sup>th</sup> March: there will be an all age service at 9.45am at St Dunstan's, preceded by Holy Communion at 8am.

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 7.30pm: **Spring Concert** by Feltham Choral Society at St. Dunstan, to include Britten's 'Rejoice in the Lamb' and Alan Wilson's 'Mass of Regeneration'

Looking ahead: Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May will see **St. Dunstan's Annual Meeting**. Please put this in your diary now!

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## People

**Susanna Tackie**, whose splendid African dress we all admired, has moved to Horsham to be nearer her daughter's family. She reports that the move has been a success, and sends her good wishes to everyone with whom she worshipped at St. Dunstan's.

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## Other notices

St. Dunstan's: Lent Books are available at the back of the Church.

**We are looking for a new person to produce this news and prayer sheet, to release Rachel Stuchbury to help with fund raising for St. Dunstan's improved access. To do this the person would need to prepare it at home during the week on Microsoft Word. The news and prayer sheet is produced weekly at home and emailed to the Office for checking and distribution on Thursdays. If you can help please speak to Duncan Forsyth or Anne Dollery.**

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## Prayer sheet for Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2022

### for the Ecumenical Parish of Feltham: St Dunstan's Anglican and Southville Methodist churches

#### Collect from the Anglican tradition:

Heavenly Father,  
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,  
and grew closer to you in the desert:  
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer  
that we may witness to your saving love  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings for 6 <sup>th</sup> March:	Readings for 6 <sup>th</sup> March:
Deuteronomy 26: 1-11 Romans 10: 8b-13 Luke 4: 1-13	Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18 Philippians 3:17 – 4:1 Luke 13: 31-35 <i>or at Southville:</i> Luke 13: 31-35 <i>or</i> Luke 9: 28-36 (37-43a)

#### Invitation to remember in our prayers this week:

##### In the news: a prayer for Ukraine

God of hope,  
whose kingdom is not won by force of arms,  
whose power breaks the hold of death,  
may your sun rise upon the people of the Ukraine  
putting darkness and war to flight;  
and may leaders and nations be subject  
to the radiant Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you in the Spirit's eternal bond of love.

##### From Churches Together:

We ask for God's blessing on the life and ministry of St. Dunstan's Church, for Anne Dollery its vicar, Duncan Forsyth its churchwarden, and all the many people who contribute to its mission to embody Christ in Lower Feltham.

##### In the parish:

We pray for people who live or work in Uxbridge Road, Elthorne Court, De Brome Road, Slattery Road, Wyatt Close or Browells Lane.

##### Those who are ill or in particular need:

Maurice Park (Helen Forsyth's father), Josie Coates, Diana Gamble, Graham, Fiona Holloway, Barbara Meakin (The Cloisters Nursing Home), Barbara Tonkins, Rosemary White (Beryl Gamble's sister), Susanna Woollam

##### Those who have died recently and those who mourn them:

Florence Osborne, Grace Powers, Constance King

##### Those whom we remember this week:

Margaret Armitage, Jack Clayden, Brian Robertson, Jessie Gamble, Norma Robinson, Peter Stevens