

# Welcome to St Dunstan's and Southville Churches

Feltham Ecumenical Parish:  
Anglican and Methodist Churches in  
partnership

Sunday 10th  
October 2021

**Nineteenth  
Sunday after  
Trinity**

An urban thanks giving for our second week of Harvest celebrations.

## **An Urban Benedicite** ( inspired by Daniel 3:57-88)

O let our town bless God,  
'To You be glory and praise forever,'  
O let our city bless God,  
'To You be glory and praise forever.'

O bricks and mortar, bless God,  
O concrete and glass, bless God.  
O underground pipes and wires, bless God,  
O tarmac and paving stones, bless God,  
'To you be glory and praise forever.'

O dandelions and daisies, bless God,  
O cherry trees and geraniums, bless God.  
O pigeons and seagulls, bless God,  
O cats and dogs, bless God,  
'To you be glory and praise forever.'

O homes and gardens, bless God,  
O shops and offices, bless God,  
O hospitals and police stations, bless God,  
O factories and depots, bless God,  
'To you be glory and praise forever.'

O bikes and buses, bless God,  
O cars and vans, bless God,  
O lorries and trams, bless God,  
O shopping trollies and pushchairs, bless God,  
'To you be glory and praise forever.'

O work of our hands, bless God,  
'To You be glory and praise forever.'  
O work of our minds, bless God,  
'To you be glory and praise forever.'

O families and loners, bless God,  
O babies to oldies, bless God,  
O street cleaners and traffic wardens, bless God,  
O property developers and planners, bless God,  
'To you be glory and praise forever.'

O Daniel, Aisha and Harriet, bless God,  
O Uncle Kah Wan and all, bless God,

O let our town bless God,  
'To You be glory and praise forever,'  
O let our city bless God,  
'To You be glory and praise forever.'

May you be blessed, O God, in your town and your city,  
'To you be glory and praise forever.'

Olive Powell

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### **Methodist Circuit Bible Study**

This takes place by zoom or phone on Thursdays starting at 10.00am, please join by 09:45. Please contact Jonathan Griffiths for details. Email: [jonathan.griffiths@sfmc.org.uk](mailto:jonathan.griffiths@sfmc.org.uk)

### **Church Notices: Southville Methodist**

Sunday services at 10.30am:

Today: **Holy Communion** led by the Revd. Juliet Ushewokunze

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October: **Morning Worship** led by the Revd. Andrew Reed

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

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

#### **Today 10<sup>th</sup> October – this is different from next week – Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

8.00am: **Holy Communion** (said service) in church- only 10<sup>th</sup> October

9.30am: **Service on Zoom™**

9.45am: **Harvest Thanksgiving** (family service, not Holy Communion) in church

And on Wednesday:

10.00am: **Holy Communion** in church

#### **From Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

Times of services:

Sunday at 9.30am: **Service on Zoom™**

Sunday at 9.45am: **Holy Communion** in church

And on Wednesdays:

10.00am: **Holy Communion** in church

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### **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. Bring your friends! We look forward to seeing you.

Fortnightly on Mondays at 8.00pm: **Bible study on Zoom™**. Next one 18<sup>th</sup> October. Please contact Revd Anne for joining details; [annedollery@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:annedollery@yahoo.co.uk)

Second Thursday of the month, 2.00-4.00pm: **WOT group** (Women on Thursdays) meet in the Church Centre. Next meeting is on 14<sup>th</sup> October and will include a few games of Bingo. Eyes down for a full house! See Shirley Howell or Marian Foley for more information.

Third Thursday of the month, 4.15-5.30pm: **Young people's fellowship** group meet in the Church Centre. Next meeting 21<sup>st</sup> October.

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## Harvest festival at St. Dunstan: 10<sup>th</sup> October

In thanksgiving to God for blessings received, we are glad to offer gifts for those less fortunate. They can all be brought to church today, or please contact the Parish Office if you are unable to travel.

For **Tearfund**: gifts of money. See <https://www.tearfund.org/get-involved/donate>, or write a cheque (payable to Tearfund) or bring cash to church - Ian Stuchbury will forward them.

For **The Upper Room**: needs include new men's T-shirts, vests and underpants, soap (not shampoo), deodorants and toothpaste, clingfilm and tin foil. Large, strong black rubbish bags.

For **Feltham Food Bank**: food basics in tins or packets – no pasta please, we have plenty.

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## Dates for your diary

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October: **Christian Resources Exhibition** at Sandown Park, Esher.

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October 9.30-12.30am **'Weeding' base of St Dunstan's church walls**. All welcome. Please bring own gardening gloves and any tools to help – lots of bending and kneeling exercise offered for free! Contact: Duncan Forsyth for further information.

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 5.30-7.30pm: **Black History celebration** with Hounslow Council and many voluntary groups. On Zoom™, meeting ID: 838 4434 5141, passcode: 247061. This year's theme is 'Proud to Be' – all are welcome!

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## Notices

Two of the events currently planned at the **House of Prayer** in Molesey (see [www.christian-retreat.org](http://www.christian-retreat.org)):

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Oct 10am-4pm: What do we tell ourselves about God? Who do say that I am? An opportunity to explore our ideas about God through mandala making, pantoum writing and other resources. Cost is £30; bring a packed lunch.

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> (evening) to Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December (after lunch): Advent retreat: Coming into the light. A weekend silent retreat with the possibility of spiritual direction. Includes poetry, music and an opportunity to share in community prayer.

And something different: **The Walk**. A beautifully-made puppet named 'Amal' is travelling across Europe. Standing 3.5 metres tall, it represents a young Syrian girl who is seeking her mother, and is drawing public attention to the plight and the promise of refugees. Her journey is 'a travelling festival of art and hope' and the fascinating schedule can be seen at <https://www.walkwithamal.org/events/>. 'Amal' arrives in the UK on 19<sup>th</sup> October and is in central London on 23 October. and we will all have a chance to enjoy the creative response by artists and communities.

## UK faith groups are taking action to 'Make COP Count'.

In November, world leaders meet in Glasgow for important climate negotiations at C26\*.

It's an unmissable opportunity to keep the world *below 1.5 degrees* of warming.

At COP26 UK faith groups are asking for:

1) New and additional sources of finance for climate-related loss and damage.

2) An end to all use of public money to subsidise fossil fuels.

The UN conference on Climate Change takes place in Glasgow from 1st to 12th November 2021. Faith groups are calling for just and fair finance for people in countries suffering the worst effects of climate change. There's more information about how you can get involved at Make COP Count. And senior leaders across faith groups across the UK have called for action to match the urgency of the situation in their Glasgow Multi-faith Declaration.

- COP26 is the 26th Conference of the Parties (or “COP”) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the United Nations body which is responsible for climate. .

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