

March 2017 Newsletter

Church

All services at Duns Tew, unless stated otherwise

Wed 01.03.17	12 noon	Eucharist for Ash Wednesday
Fri 03.03.17	7pm	Women's World Day of Prayer
05.03.17	5pm	Evening Prayer
12.03.17	11am	Lay-Led matins
19.03.17	9.30 am	Eucharist, followed by Annual Church Meeting (APCM)
26.03.17	09.30am - Sandford St Martin Church	Benefice Mothering Sunday – with Brownies
	11am – Duns Tew	Eucharist

World Women's Day of Prayer – 7pm, Friday 3rd March, Duns Tew Church

On this day over 5,000 services will be held in the British Isles on the theme of “Am I being unfair to you?” Christian women of the Philippines wrote the service and it has been translated into 1,000 different languages to be used throughout the world on the same day. Why not find out more about the theme, the Philippines and the service?

The Day of Prayer service is not just for women – ALL WELCOME.

Refreshments will be available afterwards.

Lent Groups - Wednesdays 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th March, 5th April, at 1pm-3pm.

This year in our weekly Lent meetings we are going to look at the lives of the various saints to which our Benefice churches are dedicated. For the first five Wednesdays in Lent the group will meet for a light lunch in someone's home before sitting back to listen to the fascinating story of that particular village's saint. (Ours is of course St Mary Magdalene). Do join us to find out more about our heritage and to meet people from other nearby villages.

Wed 8 March - Sara Bristow's home: The Old Forge at Sandford St Martin

Wed 15 March - Jennie Schuster's home: The Grange at Over Worton

Wed 22 March - Ginny Elliot's home: Holliers House at Middle Barton

Wed 29 March - Caroll Harris' home: at Westcote Barton

Wed 5 April - Jane McBean's home: Home Farmhouse at Duns Tew

These meetings are quite relaxed, you do not have to be a churchgoer to come. If you would like any more information, or would like a lift please contact Graeme Arthur (340510) or Stephanie Lacey (347350)

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

The annual church meeting, to which all are welcome, will be held on Sunday 19th March, at 10.30am, following the 9.30 service.

Mothering Sunday 26th March On Sunday 26th March the Benefice Service for Mothering Sunday will be held at 9.30 at Westcote Barton Church, supported by both Benefice and school choirs and the Brownies.

“Dorn and Ridge” Churches Benefice Website

Please visit: www.dornandridgebenefice.org.uk for information on regular and special festival services in the six churches in the Benefice.

Advance Notice – Friday 21st April at 8pm - Concert in aid of Polly

Parlour Concerts at Manor Farm will be hosting “Under the Wychwood”, a Cotswolds based Folk-Rock band who play an eclectic mix of Americana, Folk & Acoustic music. All proceeds in aid of Polly’s work with homeless people. For more details see www.mfmf.co.uk or phone Fran Maksinski 01869 345689

Advance Notice - Steeple Barton Chase: 5k, 10k and Fun Runs

Fun Run starts at 11am, 10k at 11.30am, and 5k at 11.35am. Off-road, through beautiful wooded grounds at Barton Abbey, Steeple Barton. BBQ, cake, teas (See www.steeplebartonchase.co.uk for registration information). In aid of Steeple Barton Church funds. **Sunday 18th June 2017, gates open 10am.**

Duns Tew Fete - Save The Date – Sunday 2nd July – 1.30pm

By kind permission of Gavin and Fiona McAlpine, the Church Fete will once again take place in the Manor Gardens. The date this year will be Sunday 2nd July, from 1.30 - 4pm.

This year’s fete chairman is Sebastian Stapleton, assisted by Tom Lindley, Clare Burgess, Sarah Taylor, Sarah Lindley, Helen Hammond, Steph Lacey & Gilly Burrows.

Do you have an idea for a stall or would love to run one? Please contact one of us. Contact details: Sebastian: suttonhundreds@hotmail.com (07773167884)
Tom: spinnners68@icloud.com (349233), Clare: clarebugress@gmail.com (347382).

***** ART COMPETITION *****

Open to all “MY DUNS TEW”

The fete committee invites you to create a piece of original artwork on the theme “My Duns Tew”. The entries must be A4 or A3 size, two-dimensional (i.e. no collages), in any medium (drawing/painting/crayons/felt tip). Please do not use glitter, metallic paint, or other reflective material. This is to ensure the picture can be scanned easily.

The winning entry will be reproduced on the cover of the 2017 Fete Programme. Prize of £25, plus free family entry (2 adults, 2 children) to Duns Tew Fete to be held on Sunday 2nd July.

All entries will be displayed on the day of the fete at the Manor.

Please deliver your picture/design, clearly labelled with your name, address & contact details (phone number/email) to 34 Main Street, Duns Tew, by 1st June 2017.

In case of queries, please contact Sebastian: suttonhundreds@hotmail.com
(07773167884)

Charity of the Quarter

For February/March/April, the PCC will be collecting donations via the charity plate in church, to help the work of **Medical/Orphan Project (MOP)** in Zimbabwe (www.tzaba.org).

MOP is supporting 50 youngsters, aiming to meet their educational fees from Primary to University level. See the 2016 newsletter in Church for news of Dumisani who is 24 and has completed his second year of further education, thanks to funding from MOP.

MOP are hoping to produce a notelet/card designed by one of the youngsters at the Bonda Orphanage, to sell as a fund-raising item. Enquiries about this (or Jo's range of re-made cards, both general-purpose, and Easter) would be warmly welcomed!

You can email Jo on jbartonbevan@aol.com, or donate via Jo's JustGiving page www.justgiving.com/Jo-Barton2.

Polly

As always please leave in-date food donations in the basket in church.
Thank you!