

## Dundry Community Café

Held in the church

**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month**

10.30am-12.30pm



**Next café  
1<sup>st</sup> June**

## Church Tower Opening

**2<sup>nd</sup> June, 7<sup>th</sup> July, 4<sup>th</sup> August &  
1st September**

**2pm-4pm**

**Adults £2, children £1  
( over 8s only )**

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Many thanks



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**St Michael the Archangel  
Dundry**

**A special welcome if you are a  
visitor or here for the first  
time.**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

***Please take this leaflet home for  
reflection and prayer, or pass it on to  
a neighbour***

## NOTICES

### **Filling Station**

Due to renovations at the Pelly this month and with most of our halls being used as Polling Stations(!), our Filling Station meeting this month will be held at **St Andrew's Church, Chew Magna** at the usual time of 7.30pm this Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Our speaker will be Mark Searle.

### **Ascension Day**

On Thursday week (30<sup>th</sup>) we will celebrate in our usual way with a 7.30am trip up the tower, and a service of Holy Communion at 10.00am, all at Chew Magna.

### **Deanery Event**

Get this one in your diary early, as the Deanery is planning a big event on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July 1.00-5.00pm. There will be lunch, a family magic show (yes, really!), opportunities to share faith stories and social action issues, all wrapped up with a time of informal worship. Sign up sheets (for catering purposes) will be available soon.

### **Next Sunday – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

10.30am	Parish Communion	CM
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10.30am	Family Communion	CS
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10.30am	Morning Worship	NM
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11.00am	Morning Worship	D
	With the Baptists	
6.30pm	Evensong	NT
	mm	

**Readings for next Sunday:** Acts 16: 9-15;  
Rev 21: 10, 22- 22:5; John 14: 23-29

**Collect for this week – Easter 5** Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires and so by continual help we may bring them to good effect; Through Jesus Christ our Lord

### **Our readings for today –**

**Acts 11: 1- 18** The command from Jesus had been clear enough – start your mission in Jerusalem, then go to Judea and Samaria, and then to the ends of the earth. But how should that process happen? Should Gentiles convert to a form of Judaism first, or could they go straight into Christianity and bypass the Law? As Peter relates his vision it becomes clear enough what needs to happen. All the old regulations are meaningless in this context and they hear how the Holy Spirit fell on these new converts in the same way as it did for them. It was new, radical, yet crystal clear.

**Rev 21: 1 –6** A new heaven and a new earth, the bride, the end of mourning – it's all from Isaiah as John continues his vision. When will it all happen? We want to know because we are creatures of time and place. God however isn't and so we must wait and see. Perhaps that is why we call it faith – what we believe will carry us through.

**John 13: 31-35** Departure (from the earth) and return (to his Father) are the main themes running right through from chapter 13 to 17. We also have the disciples' inability to understand and the promise of the Spirit. Above all we get the principle that the Son is glorified; when we look at the Son we see the

glory of the Father. Specifically we see that glory in Christ's humility on the cross, even though we don't expect to see glory in humility. It is a paradox. We also get the message of what real love is, and find we are called to love in the same way. What a world it would be if we all did that!

### **Please pray:**

- That the Church may receive the spirit of holiness to be the New Jerusalem on earth, and to reveal the true love of God in the world. Pray for those called to the religious life, and for those who minister in challenging situations. May our local churches reflect the love of God.
- Pray for our world where it is broken by violence, war, greed or division. We pray for peace in Syria and the Middle East, that the eyes of the proud may be opened to recognise our common humanity. Give tolerance where there is perceived difference.
- Pray for healing for all who are in need today. May they know the power of the Holy Spirit to strengthen, heal and restore. We pray for those who suffer discrimination and for all on the edge of society.
- We pray that the power of the resurrection may give all the departed a share in the eternal life of Christ.

**Just a thought.....** we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block and a foolishness, but to those whom God has called, it is the power of God and the wisdom of God. (1Cor 1:23ff)