

### Fundraising

We are currently seeking donations of prizes for Tea & Toasts , so if you have any bottles of spirits or wine that you have spare could you please donate them as we are looking for raffle prizes. Also we are **desperately in need prizes for the Tombola bottles of any sort please.** if you can help please see Rosemary Lunt or Barbara Houghton.

### Summer Fair

This year's Summer Fair for St Michael's will be held on **12th July, from 12 noon to 4 pm.** If you are able to help on a stall, or to donate items for a bottle tombola, it will be appreciated. Please see a member of the Fundraising team for details.

### Runcorn Food Bank

This week the Food Bank needs fruit juice, tea bags, toilet rolls, deodorants, rice pudding , bags for life and Cleaning products. **PLEASE NO BEANS.** This year we are donating food for the animals as well as for the people. If you could please donate dog or cat food put it in the

basket at the back of church.

### Important Notices

"On **Sunday 20th July 2025** the Bishop of Birkenhead will be visiting for our Confirmation service. It is now time to put your name down at the back of church for Confirmation preparation. Additionally, if you have not been baptised and wish to go forward on this journey, please also sign up at the back of church" for further information.

Please do keep in touch with us here at St Michaels, we would like to hear from you again.

Any enquiries relating in booking a Baptism, Wedding or Funeral can be made through our Admin Officer, Robbie on preferably **email [stmichaelsruncorn@gmail.com](mailto:stmichaelsruncorn@gmail.com) or the mobile 07718133018**

For safeguarding matters email [safeguardingsmaa@gmail.com](mailto:safeguardingsmaa@gmail.com)

Our Vicar, Revd George Roach can be contacted on **01928 832734** or [vicar.smaaruncorn@gmail.com](mailto:vicar.smaaruncorn@gmail.com) The Vicars rest day is Friday

We are continuing to grow our social media presence, please do search for us on **Facebook** or on our website **[www.runcornstmichaels.org.uk](http://www.runcornstmichaels.org.uk)**



Parish Church of  
St Michael and All Angels  
Sunday 18th May 2025  
5th Sunday of Easter

**Theme: "LOVE AND DISCIPLESHIP"**



**Welcome to St Michael and All Angels this morning!**

If you are new here, please make sure you say **HELLO** to the church staff and volunteers who will do all they can to assist you.

This service sheet is available in large print and blue paper for those with visual impairment or learning differences.

### Services Today

8.30am Holy Communion

Revd George Roach

Acts 11: 1-18

John 13: 31-35

10.30am Holy Communion

Revd George Roach

728 We have a Gospel to proclaim

Acts 11: 1-18

1 A new commandment I give unto you

John 13: 31-35

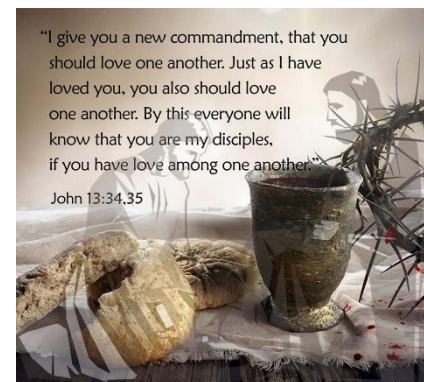
414 Let us break bread together on our knees

456 Make me a channel of your peace

*Overwhelmed by love  
Turn your eyes upon Jesus*

449 Love Divine

**12.00noon APCM**



### Regular Activities at St Michael's

Tuesday 20th May

10.00am-12.00noon Crafters

Wednesday 21st May

10.00am Holy Communion

Thursday 22nd May

10.30am Bible Study led by  
Revd Helen Browne

Sunday 25th May

8.30am Holy Communion

10.30am Holy Communion

**12.30pm Baptism**

## Collect & Readings

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, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### **Acts 11: 1-18**

The apostles and the believers throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. <sup>2</sup> So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him <sup>3</sup> and said, "You went into the house of uncircumcised men and ate with them." <sup>4</sup> Starting from the beginning, Peter told them the whole story: <sup>5</sup> "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. I saw something like a large sheet being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to where I was. <sup>6</sup> I looked into it and saw four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, reptiles and birds. <sup>7</sup> Then I heard a voice telling me, 'Get up, Peter. Kill and eat.' <sup>8</sup> "I replied, 'Surely not, Lord! Nothing impure or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' <sup>9</sup> "The voice spoke from heaven a second time, 'Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.' <sup>10</sup> This happened three times, and then it was all pulled up to heaven again. <sup>11</sup> "Right then three men who had been sent to

me from Caesarea stopped at the house where I was staying. <sup>12</sup> The Spirit told me to have no hesitation about going with them. These six brothers also went with me, and we entered the man's house. <sup>13</sup> He told us how he had seen an angel appear in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa for Simon who is called Peter.' <sup>14</sup> He will bring you a message through which you and all your household will be saved.' <sup>15</sup> "As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit came on them as he had come on us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup> Then I remembered what the Lord had said: 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>17</sup> So if God gave them the same gift he gave us who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I to think that I could stand in God's way?" <sup>18</sup> When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, "So then, even to Gentiles God has granted repentance that leads to life."

### **John 13: 31-35**

<sup>31</sup> When he was gone, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man is glorified and God is glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> "My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come. <sup>34</sup> "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

## Post Communion

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

### Prayer Journaling Sessions



Don't forget the Prayer Journaling session is in the Jose Colley Room after the service and APCM. No special materials are needed for the first session

Would you donate a packet or two for  
'We are the Church at Creamfields'?



Why Jammie Dodgers I hear you ask!!!

What do you see in the middle?

**Love**   is at the heart of our volunteers and at the very centre of all they do at Creamfields.

[See Rob Probert for more information](#)

