



# Brechin Bulletin

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*what if a much of a which of a wind  
gives the truth to summer's lie;  
bloodies with dizzying leaves the sun  
and yanks immortal stars awry?*

These lines, the first first half-verse of a poem by e.e.cummings, feel like an expression of Autumn. Everything that has grown up during the Summer is being tossed about by unruly forces, and the only rule seems to be that the rules are changing. Interpretations of the poem vary: some focus on the excitement of the poem's pace, others on some of the darker imagery, and others on the hints of optimism at the end of each verse.

The first verse ends with the line 'the single secret will still be man'. It could simply mean that human beings are the key to the force that blows 'king to beggar', 'hope to terror', and 'soon to never', or it could hint at hidden depths in human nature. The vital question will always be, 'What lies in those hidden depths?' A number of answers are suggested by the sciences that investigate human behaviour, but Christian Faith insists that the single secret in human beings is the image of God. Perhaps there is hope for the world after all.

**Reverend Ashley Cummins**

## share it!

The Summer/Autumn magazine of the Church Army has published an article called **A heart for the homeless**. The reporter followed Reverend Kerry Dixon for two days around the city of Dundee. It provides a great insight into the work of the Centre of Mission at St Luke's and St Paul's Cathedral.

The magazine will be available in your Church in September and can be read online on the Church Army website [ww.churcharmy.org.uk](http://ww.churcharmy.org.uk) under Resources.

## On Your Marks

St Ninian's had an Olympic theme at their holiday club where they participated in crafts, games, stories, snacks, songs, memory verses and fitness time. At the Pentathlon and Closing Ceremony, Brazil took the overall Gold Medal position.



Bishop Nigel is pleased to advise the appointment of **Robson St Clair** as the new Provincial Youth Network Representative. Robson can be contacted on 07708 294557 or email [robsonstclair@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:robsonstclair@yahoo.co.uk)

## Alpha Course St Ninian's Sunday School Room (entry by Longtown Road)

### Do you want to:

- **explore the Christian Faith**
- **ask the questions you've always wanted to ask**
- **share your point of view.**

Alpha is a series of talks and discussions run all around the globe to explore the basics of the Christian faith.

**6-8pm Thursday, 8 September  
and continuing for 10 weeks until  
Thursday, 3 November 2016**

Buffet tea included at the start.

All welcome

**Holy Road, Carnoustie  
Coffee Morning & Book Stall**

Saturday, 3 September 2016  
10.00am—11.30am

**Holy Cross Day  
Wednesday, 14 September at 7pm**  
Solemn Mass and Procession  
St. Salvador's Church, Dundee  
Guest Preacher: The Reverend David Gordon  
Choir: Cantiones Sacrae

**St Martin's, Dundee Prize Bingo  
Wednesday, 28 September at 1.30pm**

Admission 50p  
Includes refreshments and free raffle



*Music in the Diocese*

**"The Hall is Alive with the Sound of Music"**

**Friday, 9 September at 7.30pm**

St Mary the Virgin, Arbroath Church Hall  
Fancy dress is optional.

The audience are invited to sing along to a large screen video of the "Sound of Music".  
All welcome.

**St Paul's Cathedral  
Lunchtime Concerts Saturday at 1pm**

**10 September**

Triplicity – vocal and piano trio  
Frances Cooper: soprano  
Anne Lewis: mezzo-soprano  
Colin Dundas: piano

**24 September**

Tayside Opera

**8 October**

Emre Şen – piano

**22 October**

Students from the University of St Andrews  
Music Department

**Friends of the Caird Hall Organ Concert  
Saturday, 17 September at 7.30 pm**

Conductor: Paul Mealor  
(composer of the Military Wives No 1 'Wherever you are' and the 'Ubi caritas' anthem that was sung at the wedding of William and Kate!)

Tickets for the concert are £5 and are available at the City Square Box Office.

Further information can be found at  
<http://www.leisureandculturedundee.com/sing-with-paul-mealor-caird-hall>

**Tayside Organists' Society  
Organ Concert by Members**

St Andrew's Parish Church, Dundee  
Thursday, 22 September at 7.30pm

Celebrating the first Christening by Rev Mead with baby Darcy and Godmother Pamela



*Spotlight on St Mary the Virgin, Arbroath*

Lent Appeal proceeds given to Cystic Fibrosis Charity



Strawberry Fayre

