PEACE THOUGHTS

'Cry out with a thousand cries! I see the world is rotten because of silence.'

St. Catherine of Siena

No one 'belongs' to a group - either an organisation or a country if they don't take responsibility for forming its decisions and then protecting them. As Charles de Montesquieu says, 'The tyranny of a prince in an oligarchy is not as dangerous to the public welfare as the apathy of a citizen in a democracy.'

Joan Chittister

A young man eagerly described what he dreamed of doing for the poor. The Master asked, 'When do you propose to make your dream come true?' The young man answered, 'As soon as the opportunity arrives.' 'Opportunity never arrives,' said the master, 'it's here already! Recognise that now is the only moment of opportunity you will ever have!' Anthony de Mello

WORTH WATCHING

MONDAY 7.30 pm BBC1: HOSTAGE IN IRAN

Report exploring the British citizens who are currently incarcerated in Iran, including Nazazin Zaghari-Ratcliffe who has been detained for over four years.

TUESDAY 8.00 pm BBC1: THE TRUTH ABOUT COSMETIC TREATMENTS

Dr. Michael Mosely scrutinises the science and safety of cosmetic treatments in an investigation into this largely unregulated industry.

TUESDAY 9.00pm C4: HOW TO AVOID A SECOND WAVE

Asks whether we can balance the needs of the economy and public health and avoid a second wave of the infection.

TUESDAY 11.30pm BBC2: OUR WORLD: COLOMBIA

With the acceleration of deforestation, this report follows a group of scientists who attempt to save rare plant species before they are destroyed and vanish forever.



THE PARISH OF ST MICHAEL AND SACRED HEART

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GOSPEL THOUGHTS Matt 16;13-20

Various people have an impact on our life and we are shaped by their influence., Parents, best friends, a teacher or two will have been important in making us the person we are. Amongst such people will be a person who has been around the longest and we take for granted, they may have become almost invisible and forgotten.



Our readings from Isaiah and Matthew today speak of God talking to us and instructing us for at least two and a half thousand years. God has been around the longest, concerned about our formation and faithful in calling us and trusting us to take up the task, made clearest in Jesus. The prophets and St Peter paid attention. It is our turn now in our own moment of history to be shaped by God who we often take for granted.

Thanks to our team of Volunteer Stewards for giving us their time.

MASS TIMES Only Saturday 6.30pm Sacred Heart & Sunday 10.30am St Michael

No weekday mass until September!

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REMEMBERED

...during Mass Alana Toner, Kieren Bimpson, Kansan Rajeswaran Mary McCarthy, Emily Dodd, Taofik Sekoni and members of our own families who have gone before us. <u>All families, slowly venturing out</u> with their 'face covering' to hand, you are remembered at every Mass.

SYNOD 2020 (2021)

<u>NEW SCHEDULE</u> June 2021. What were your joys and anxieties during lockdown? Your family experiences, the way society and the Church reacted will be valuable material for the SYNOD. Please send your insights to this website www.synod2020 or the parish. Your contributions will be very welcome.

CITIZEN ADVICE HELPLINE

These days, hard working families can find finances difficult. There is advice available in case there is support you have not yet called upon. Free, impartial and confidential advice if you are in debt. But also to maximize your income before you get into debt. Call a free advice helpline 8am -8pm Monday - Thursday 8am- 4pm Friday 0300 330 1196 debthelp@caliverpoolgmmap.org.uk

CHURCH DOORS OPEN

...for private prayer and reflection, under strict rules, Tuesday mornings in September, St Michael's, 9.15am 'til 12noon. Social distancing.

CHURCH IS NOW OPEN!

Church is as safe as possible for you to visit. Please ensure that you put on a <u>face mask</u> as you arrive at church and <u>sanitize your hands</u>. We have a <u>one-way system</u> and <u>only every second bench</u> will be used to ensure that social distancing takes place. You will be guided to Communion at the end of Mass and will need to follow the one-way system out of church. <u>Social distancing</u> will mean only about 30 people at any Mass!

WEDDING

Congratulations to Richard and Milly on their wedding. Despite restrictions it was a beautiful and joyous occasion

STREAMING OF MASSES

www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk This also includes <u>activities for youngsters</u>.

FIRST COMMUNION FAMILIES

The Archbishop has recorded a video specially for you as you wait to celebrate the sacrament. You'll find these under, 'Prayer and Other Resources' and then 'Family Life'. at www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk The parish catechists who prepare the children for First Communion plan to meet to work out next steps. Watch this space for further developments.

ALL OUR FAMILIES ARE IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS EVERY DAY.