

## PEACE THOUGHTS

An anthropologist proposed a game to children in an African tribe. He put a basket full of fruit near a tree and told the children that whoever got there first won the sweet fruits. When he told them to run, they all took each other's hands and ran together, then sat together enjoying their treats. When he asked them why they had run like that when one could have had all the fruit for themselves, they answered, 'UBUNTU! How can one of us be happy if all the other ones are sad?' ('Ubuntu' in the Xhosa culture means: *'I am because we are'*.)

'Ubuntu is the essence of being human. You can't exist as a human being in isolation. It speaks about our interconnectedness. Too frequently we think of ourselves just as individuals - separated from one another - whereas we are connected and what we do affects the whole world. When we do well, it spreads out; it is for the whole of humanity.'

Desmond Tutu

Pope Francis puts it this way:

'Rivers do not drink their own water; trees do not eat their own fruit; the sun does not shine on itself and flowers do not spread their fragrance for themselves. Living for others is a rule of nature. We are all born to help each other. No matter how difficult it is... Life is good when you are happy; but much better when others are happy because of you.'

UBUNTU!

## WORTH WATCHING!

### SUNDAY 9.00 pm BBC1: ENSLAVED WITH SAMUEL JACKSON

The actor presents a wide-ranging 400-year history of human trafficking from Africa to the New World. (Episode 2 follows)

### MONDAY 8.00 pm C4: DIRTY SECRETS OF AMERICAN FOOD: COMING SOON TO A SUPERMARKET NEAR YOU!

Considers American food standards that may become part of a post-Brexit trade deal and raises animal welfare concerns and the US' use of pesticides and hormones currently banned in the UK.

### MONDAY 10.45 pm ITV1: MARTIN LUTHER KING BY TREVOR McDONALD

Takes us to the Deep South to get a closer look at the man and his mission.

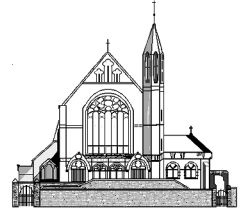
### THURSDAY 10.45 pm ITV1: EXPOSURE: HUNTING THE PEOPLE SMUGGLERS

Infiltrates gangs making huge profits by smuggling people across the Channel.



## THE PARISH OF ST MICHAEL AND SACRED HEART

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Confessions: Saturday 12noon St Michael's



10th/11th October '20 28th Sunday Year A P.142

## MASS TIMES

Monday 9.00am Sacred Heart  
Tuesday 9.30am St Michael  
Wednesday 12noon Sacred Heart  
Thursday 7.00pm St Michael  
Saturday 6.30pm Sacred Heart  
Sunday 10.30am St Michael

"Those who listen to my words...and eat my body have eternal life" St John

Thanks to our team of Volunteer Stewards for giving us their time. We need one or two weekday Stewards to stay open, please.

## GOSPEL THOUGHTS Matt 22: 1-10

To prepare and send invitations is a joy with risks. Will anyone want to come? Maybe no one will turn up?

Jesus, God in our flesh, has come to invite the world to the kingdom. The needy and sinners are enthusiastic. The stewards of the kingdom refused to keep company with the rabble, so ignored the invitation. Refusing after being the first to be invited doubled the insult or foolishness.

Sometimes we prefer what we have and refuse to accept the gift that comes from keeping company with all our sisters and brothers (communion). Sometimes we are preoccupied with what we possess and know, so refusing the invitation to what we have not yet achieved - the joy of the Kingdom. God invites us because keeping company is the plan.



## REMEMBERED

...during Mass  
Elizabeth Howarth, Clara Mooney,  
Leah Melia, Joan Baker  
and members of our  
own families who have gone before us.  
You are remembered at every Mass.

## SYNOD 2020 (2021)

NEW SCHEDULE 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](http://www.synod2020) or the parish.  
Your contributions will be very welcome.

## CHURCH DOORS OPEN

...for private prayer and reflection, with social distancing,  
Tuesday mornings in October,  
St Michael's,  
9.15am 'til 12noon.

## FOOD AT THE DOOR

Your kindness goes a long way.  
Thank you for your response. We will call on you again.

## CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY 2020

CAFOD envelopes are one way of keeping company  
with families all over the world.

**FAMILY FAST DAY** is an invitation to think and act as a family  
at home. Talk to each other at meal times, while choosing  
what you want to eat, about other families who have no choice.  
Please pray for all those affected by coronavirus but who do not  
have a health system like ours.

Consider returning the CAFOD envelope or if you wish,  
please donate online at: [cafod.org.uk/give](http://cafod.org.uk/give). **Thank you.**

The following video about the appeal may be of interest to you:  
<https://vimeo.com/453718072/66db9d386d>

## CHURCH IS NOW OPEN FOR MASS!

Church is as safe as possible for you to visit.  
Face masks, sanitizing of hands, one-way system,  
and only every second bench for social distancing.

Come and see for yourself!

Please bring your face covering with you.

## FUNERALS

...are difficult at any time and in the present cautious time  
even more so. Please pray for and think about our bereaved  
families who are coping with government restrictions  
at this time as our parish keeps company with them.  
Our volunteers are great!

## STREAMING OF MASSES

[www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk](http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk)

This also includes activities for youngsters.

## BAPTISM

We have four families asking for Baptism and we are calling  
the parish Catechists to plan a response.  
Please welcome the families if you spot them.

## FINANCES

You are fantastic! We are receiving about  
45% of the usual collection.

If you are getting into difficulties at home, please phone  
0300 330 1196, Citizens' Advice.

## WHAT'S ON AT LIVERPOOL IRISH CENTRE?

**Film Night** Saturday, 10th Oct 8pm, 'The Field' (Free admission)  
Further info. 0151 263 1808

## PASTORAL AREA TEAM

The pastoral area is made up of a number of parishes all working  
together. The priests meet and the parishioners meet as well.  
At these meetings plans are made to encourage everybody  
to play their part in the life of the faith community,  
and to grow in the faith through involvement. Interested?