PEACE THOUGHTS

'Peace-making doesn't mean being passive...far from it!

It is the act of interrupting injustice
without mirroring that injustice;
the art of disarming evil without destroying the evildoer;
the act of finding a third way that is neither fight nor flight,
but the careful, arduous pursuit of reconciliation and justice.

It is a revolution of love that is big enough
to set both the oppressed and the oppressor free.'

'To be peacemakers we need to stop making war - with immigrants, with people unlike ourselves, with those whose ideas are uncomfortable for us. We need to move toward understanding people.
......The best way? Make them your friend and ask them to explain their beliefs, their ideas - let them tell you their story. You will be all the wiser; all the more at peace. As Helen Keller said, 'I do not want the peace that passes understanding. I want the understanding that brings peace."

From 'Everyday Wisdom'

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

<u>SUNDAY 8.00 pm BBC4: THE NHS: TO PROVIDE ALL PEOPLE</u>
A 'film poem', first broadcast to mark the 70^{th} anniversary of the NHS, charts a day in the life of a regional hospital.

<u>SUNDAY 10.PM BBC 2 THE BOY WHO HARNESSED THE WIND</u>
Fact based drama set in rural Malawi. A young boy uses the power of wind to power a water pump made from recycled bicycle parts.

MONDAY 9.00 pm BBC1: FOOTBALL'S DARKEST SECRET

Series examining historic child abuse in youth football across England from the '70's to the '90's and the culture of silence that surrounded it.

Continues on Tuesday and Wednesday, BBC1 at 10.45 pm.

THURSDAY 9.00 pm BBC2:

BLACK POWER: A BRITISH STORY OF RESISTANCE

Relates how the Black Power Movement came into being in the late '60's and how it fought back against police brutality and racism.

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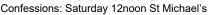
10.30 pm by SOON GONE: A WINDRUSH CHRONICLE - a monologue about a 17-year-old mechanic who is the only black man working at a white-owned garage in 1968.

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20th/21st March '21 5th Sunday of Lent Yr.B P.171

MASS TIMES

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

GOSPEL THOUGHTS John 12:20-30

When an argument has lasted too long someone needs to surrender, wisely. Is a dispute over the colour of the curtains a good reason to damage a relationship? If you want your evening to be healthy, to 'give in' might be wisdom. An eye for an eye could lead to serious damage.

Pride and power are important but they carry huge forms

of temptation and violence. Jesus had been arguing with the powerful and correct. A show-down had arrived. Jesus called this his 'hour'.

A massive action of wisdom in this confrontation would be remembered throughout history. He was preparing to surrender, to reveal love and reconciliation for all time. All humanity from now on would be challenged to love their enemy.

It is our turn to learn how to renounce our pride. Can we know when we ought to give up being correct and act in love and forgiveness?



<u>REMEMBERED</u>

...during Mass

Patrick Delaney, Linda Prescott, Mark Louden Derek Worlock, Irene Towers, Paul Lesbirel, and members of our own families who have gone before us.

SYNOD 2020-2021-2022 PROGRESS IS HAPPENING

Go on line: synod2020.co.uk

Your parish representatives are planning to arrange how best to share the <u>recommendations</u> that have arisen from consulting you. You will get to see them in good time before the SYNOD in June.

After the SYNOD

A <u>Pastoral Plan Group</u> will turn the results of the SYNOD into a plan for the future development of the church in our district/archdiocese. The growth of the local church will be influenced by the priorities and values of local families. <u>The Plan</u> will be given to us on the <u>1st Sunday of Advent 28th November</u> (the Church's new year)

Come Holy Spirit,
fill our hearts with wisdom, love and courage.
Guide us in prayer and action
as we journey towards Synod 2021
to become the Church you are calling us to be in 2022.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

FUNERAL

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,

Irene Towers and Patrick Delaney and their families.

SCHOOLS, CONGRATULATIONS and THANKS

Our children have returned and the buildings are filled with noise, bubbles, staggered movement and countless hand washing!

Be careful for those you love and meet. STAY CAUTIOUS!

LOCK DOWN GUIDANCE

The guidance for Places of Worship.
You can leave home to attend/visit a place of worship.
If you do, you should follow the protocol of
Hands, Face and Space. There must be no clustering.
Opening is possible because of the service of our stewards who welcome, guide and then clean the church after you have left.
The government has heard of the safe, one-way system in our churches and know you are not likely to catch anything or infect others if you visit church and strictly keep to 'One Way'.

STREAMING OF MASSES

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

LENT, CAFOD & WORKS of MERCY

Prayer, Fasting and Works of Mercy
After planning with family and friends
it is time to return your envelopes.

THANK YOU.

Walk for Water Lent film at cafod.org.uk/secondary/lent

FOOD AT THE PARISH DOOR

Your kindness goes a long way. Ring pull cans with a whole meal.

Pasta and tinned tomatoes too.

Thank you for your response.