

PEACE THOUGHTS

As the leaders of the G7 nations gather in the UK, let us hope and pray that their decisions will benefit the whole of creation!

'We utter our cry: that peace may prevail,
that earth will survive and faith must not fail.
We pray with our life for the world in our care,
for people diminished by doubt and despair.
We cry from the fright of our daily scene
for strength to say 'no!' to all that is mean:
designs bearing chaos, extinction of life,
all energy wasted on weapons of death.
We lift up our hearts for children unborn:
give wisdom, O God, that we may pass on
replenished and tended - this good planet earth,
preserving the future and wonder of birth.
Creator of life, come, share out, we pray
your Spirit on earth, revealing the Way
to leaders conferring 'round tables for peace,
that they may from bias and guile be released.

Whatever the ill or pressure we face,
Lord, hearten and heal, give insight and grace
to think and make peace with each heartbeat and breath,
choose Christ before Caesar and life before death!' Fred Kaan

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

MONDAY 9.00pm BBC2:

PETER TAYLOR: IRELAND AFTER PARTITION

With personal testimony and rich archive footage giving an overview of the 'The Troubles', to mark the centenary of the partition of Ireland in 1921.

TUESDAY 9.00pm BBC4: MANDELA AND A NEW SOUTH AFRICA

Explores why history didn't turn out the way Mandela expected and evaluates the legacy he left behind.

WEDNESDAY 11.05pm C4:

UNDERCOVER IN AFRICA'S SECRET STATE

Offers an insight into Eritrea, one of the most tightly controlled nations in the world.

FRIDAY 7.30pm C4: UNREPORTED WORLD: LOVE UNDER SIEGE

Reports on the long shadow of Boko Haram in Nigeria.

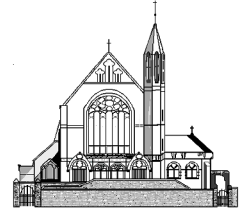
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12th June/ 13th June '21 11th Sunday Yr. B MASS TIMES

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 Mark 4: 26-34

It is interesting to note that in neither of these two parables does Jesus attempt to define exactly in human terms what the Kingdom of God is. Perhaps Jesus wants to remind us that it is God's Kingdom and God who is in control, not us.

However Jesus does make it clear in both parables that we can, and are invited to, share in the benefits of the Kingdom of God which is already here and pre-exists us. We can receive physical and spiritual nourishment from the Kingdom of God like those in the parable of the seed who reap the harvest. We can be given physical and spiritual shelter and protection by the Kingdom of God like the birds of the air in the parable of the mustard tree who shelter in its branches.

Nourishment, shelter and protection flow from human co-operation sharing and compassion which are God's values within us, whether we are aware of God or not. We are invited to put these values into practise, in no matter how small a way, and to reap the benefits.



REMEMBERED

...during Mass
Florence Hayes, Veronica Allen, Eileen Burke,
Tim Rosser, Peter Simpson, Terry Blaney
and members of our own families
who have gone before us.

SYNOD 2020-2021-2022 PROGRESS IS HAPPENING!

Go on line: synod2020.co.uk

The Catholic PIC has, in its centre pages, prayers for each day this week. The SYNOD, we have all been contributing to for this last year, takes place next weekend 19th & 20th June.

We, your parish Synod members, will be voting.

The SYNOD rest on your prayers so get those prayers said!!!

After the SYNOD,

with the voting done, a Pastoral Plan Group 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.

The Plan will be given to us on the
1st Sunday of Advent, 28th November
(the Church's new year)

LET US PRAY

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.

Pax Christi Meeting

We resume our monthly meetings on **Thursday 17th June 2pm** at St Michaels Irish Centre, Boundary Lane. All are welcome

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

Please pray for all the Year 5 (last year's Y4) children.

The current year 4 children will make their Communion later in the year.

Please keep all these families in your prayers.

**Remain careful for
those you love and meet.
STAY CAUTIOUS!**

LOCK DOWN GUIDANCE

DANGER * DANGER * DANGER
PLEASE CONSIDER WEEKDAY MASS
INSTEAD OF SUNDAY.

Some parishioners cannot come in on Sunday after 50-60 have arrived before them.

The Archbishop wants you to know that your obligation, in this 'Lock Down' period, can be fulfilled during the week.

YES! You can attend mass Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Saturday and take the pressure off Sunday morning.

Let us all work to avoid another Lock Down.

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.

14th-20th June - Refugee Action week

Between 2019-2021 wars in Syria, South Sudan, Myanmar, DRC, Ethiopia and Tigray have caused hundreds of thousands of people to flee their homes in search of peace and security.

What can we do?

Sign the petition: 'Silence the Guns: Save Lives'

<https://www.actions.oxfam.org/great-britain/global-ceasefire/petition/>

Learn more about Refugee Action who work to challenge the UK's unjust and ineffective refugee and asylum policies

<https://www.refugee-action.org.uk/about/>