

PEACE THOUGHTS

TRIBUTE TO A MUCH-OVERLOOKED SAINT - MARY MAGDALENE Feast Day 22/7 by Sr. Joan Chittister OSB

In St. John's gospel, it is Mary Magdalene, to whom Jesus first appears after the resurrection. It is Mary Magdalene who is instructed to proclaim the Easter message to the others. It is Mary Magdalene whom Jesus commissions to "tell Peter and the others that I have gone before them into Galilee." And, then, the Scripture says pathetically, "But Peter and John and the others did not believe her and they went to the tomb to see for themselves."

It is two thousand years later and little or nothing has changed. The voice of women proclaiming the presence of Christ goes largely unconfirmed. The call of women to minister goes largely un-noted.

The commission of women to the Church goes largely disdained. Mary Magdalene is, no doubt about it, an important icon for the twenty-first century. She calls women to listen to the call of the Christ over the call of the Church. She calls men to listen for the call of the Christ in the messages of women. She calls women to courage and men to humility. She calls all of us to faith and fortitude, to unity and universalism, to a Christianity that rises above sexism, a religion that transcends the idolatry of maleness, and a commitment to the things of God that surmounts every obstacle and surpasses every system. Mary Magdalene is a shining light of hope, a disciple of Christ, a model of the wholeness of life, in a world whose name is despair and in a Church whose vision is yet, still, even now, partial.

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

SUNDAY 7.20pm PSB AMERICA: THE ART OF SELLING LIES

Explores the methods of persuasion employed by those seeking power.

TUESDAY 10.00pm C4: INDIA'S RAPE SCANDAL

Reveals how a woman reports a rape in India every 15 minutes. It takes a searing look into two high-profile rape cases that prompted allegations of political cover-ups to silence the women and is testament to the strength of those women who refuse to be silenced.

THURSDAY 7.30pm ITV1: ARE YOU DRINKING TOO MUCH?

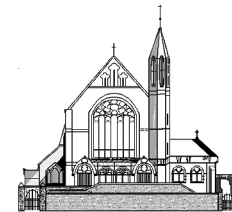
Expert advice on how people can reduce their alcohol intake.

Registered Charity 232709



THE PARISH OF ST MICHAEL AND SACRED HEART

Fr. James Nugent Pastoral Area
St Michael's Church, Horne St, L6 5EH
Sacred Heart Church, Low Hill, L7 8TN
Tel: 0151 263 6578
Confessions: Saturday 12noon St Michael's



24th / 25th July '21 17th Sunday Yr. B

MASS TIMES

*Saturday 6.30pm Sacred Heart
Sunday 10.30am St Michael's*

GOSPEL THOUGHTS: John 6:1-15

If you're good or a mix of good and bad; if you're a victim or a perpetrator; if you're sick or strong, the next things you are called to do are the 'Works of Mercy' - Feed the hungry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, visit the sick and those in prison, bury the dead and give alms to the poor.



To spend your time and energy on what is best for others is your privilege. The best in you is to be doubled. All mistakes can be followed by sharing what you have with those who haven't got what they need.

Redemption overtakes you when you follow Jesus' instructions to share what you have with the needy. Jesus' best friends are told to get on with the job and go beyond their hesitations.

REMEMBERED

...during Mass

John Woods, Eileen Burke,
Maureen Ginnelly, Marie Lowey,
and members of our own families
who have gone before us.

SYNOD 2020-2021-2022

After the SYNOD a small group is working with the
recommendations that have been received
to develop a way forward.

This will be called the Pastoral Plan
Please take a copy of the July Catholic PIC.
The Archbishop and team will be working with
is in the centre pages.

Let's pray for them in the important work they are doing.
We hope that the synodal way will become the way of working
for the future.

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

LET US PRAY

Father, of love and compassion,
with trust in your great mercy, we place our Synod
into your hands. Be with each member of our Synod
and guide them with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Give us all the wisdom and courage
to respond in new ways to the challenges we face
and to the needs of our brothers and sisters,
so that we may become ever more closely
the Church you are calling us to be.

We make this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ, Our Lord.
AMEN

Coming out of strict precautions means
an inevitable peak of contagion and
deaths. We must do things slowly.

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

GUIDANCE

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

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

The Archbishop wants you to know that
in this 'Lock Down' period,
you can be helpful by coming 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.

FAMILY BILLS

Citizens Advice Bureau
0300 330 1196 debthelp@caliverpoolgmmmap.org.uk

PARISH BILLS

We are only just paying essential bills.
We are missing you more than your contributions!

DEBT ADVICE

Free confidential advice for residents of Kensington, &
Fairfield with a qualified money adviser. Can be contacted
Tuesday - Thursday 10-4 (074360394)