

PEACE THOUGHTS

REMEMBERING HIROSHIMA

The 6th & 9th August mark the 76th anniversary of the dropping of nuclear bombs on the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945 in which an estimated 200,000 people were killed. These cities were atomized at a time when the Japanese were suing desperately for peace!

A woman who was a schoolgirl at Hiroshima asked,
*'Those scientists who invented the atomic bomb,
what did they think would happen if they dropped it?'*

'THE GIRL CHILD' BY NAZIM HIKMET

*'I come and stand at every door but none can hear my silent tread.
I knock and yet remain unseen, for I am dead, for I am dead.
I'm only seven, though I died in Hiroshima long ago.
I'm seven now as I was then; when children die they do not grow.
My hair was scorched by swirling flame, my eyes grew dim; my eyes grew blind.
Death came and turned my bones to dust and that was scattered by the wind.
I need no fruit, I need no rice. I need no sweets nor even bread.
I ask for nothing for myself, for I am dead, for I am dead.
All that I need is that for peace you fight today, you fight today
So that the children of this world can live and grow and laugh and play.'*

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

SUNDAY 11.25pm BBC4: WHAT'S KILLING OUR BEES?

The value of bees is incalculable. In terms of Britain's agriculture, one third of what we eat relies on bee pollination, yet their numbers have been falling dramatically. This documentary asks why?

TUESDAY 8.00pm C4: HOW HEALTHY IS YOUR GUT?

Report exploring why the intestines are so important to our overall well-being. Using volunteers, it sets out to discover whether various health regimens work?

TUESDAY 11.05pm C4: THE BOY WHO CAN'T STOP DANCING

Documentary following a young dancer as he auditions for the world-leading dance school, the Rambert, as well as trying to manage his cystic fibrosis.

THURSDAY 9.00pm C4: I AM VICTORIA

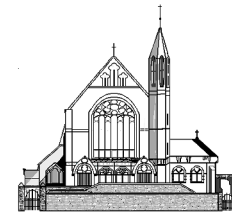
Drama telling the story of a woman who needs help but won't admit it and of her family's impotence to deal with her mental health issues.

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31st July / 1st Aug '21 18th Sunday Yr. B

MASS TIMES

*Tuesday 12 noon 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 6:24-35

Going to work on an empty stomach is not wise when young, and foolish when you're old. We need sustenance. Bread is like fuel; without it, we cannot go on. The God of Moses heard the cry of the hungry Israelites in the desert and fed them. He gave them their 'daily bread'. Jesus claims to be that bread when he is challenged for a sign. He is clear and unambiguous 'I am the bread'.

To be wise and not foolish we need our daily nourishment. Every day, a moment to be in Jesus' company. A daily gospel thought might be fuel for our getting on with one another.



REMEMBERED

...during Mass

Paul Leckie, John Woods, Nancy Rix,
Maureen Ginnelly, Mary Brennan, Robert Moore, Peter Dooley.
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.

HOLY COMMUNIONS

All our children have now received their First Holy Communion
for this year. A big thank you to everyone who has helped these
occasions run smoothly. **Thank you to the families** for your
patience and for following the Covid guidelines. **Thank you to**
our Schools Sacred Heart and St Michael's for all your
support and help over the years. **Thank you to the parishioners**
and stewards at each church for your patience and prayers for
the children. Our Parish, home, school partnership is alive and
well.

We look forward to welcoming our next cohort of children in the
Autumn term.