PEACE THOUGHTS

Words of Wisdom from Thomas Merton, Trappist monk and radical activist.

The logic of worldly success rests on a fallacy: the strange error that our perfection depends on the thoughts and opinions and applause of other people!

A weird life it is, indeed, to be living always in somebody else's imagination, as if that were the only place in which one could at last become real!

The beginning of love is the will to let those we love be perfectly themselves, the resolution not to twist them to fit our own image. If in loving them, we do not love what they are, but only their potential likeness to ourselves, then we do not love them:

we only love the reflection of ourselves we find in them.

There is a pervasive form of contemporary violence to which the idealist most easily succumbs: activism and overwork. The rush and pressure of modern life are a form, perhaps the most common form, of its innate violence.

To allow oneself to be carried away by a multitude of conflicting concerns, to surrender to too many demands, to commit oneself to too many projects, to want to help everyone in everything, is to succumb to violence.

The frenzy of our activism neutralizes our work for peace. It destroys our own inner capacity for peace. It destroys the fruitfulness of our own work, because it kills the root of inner wisdom which makes work fruitful.

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

SUNDAY 10.00pm BBC2: THE KEEPER

Biographical drama about racism and love overcoming adversity.

<u>WEDNESDAY 9.00pm BBC4: H20: THE MOLECULE THAT MADE US</u>
Begins in Gaza where residents are denied a reliable water supply. Also explores how some parts of the world mine water from finite resources, while in others, more sustainable methods show a growing understanding of water's importance.

WEDNESDAY 10.00pm C4: GRENFELL: THE UNTOLD STORY

Documents the struggles of the Grenfell Residents' Group, who were raising issues about the highly combustible cladding years before the tragedy.

FRIDAY 8.30pm PBS AMERICA: LOVE WINS OVER HATE
Former white supremacists explain how their feelings of hatred and rage were replaced by feeling of tolerance and acceptance.

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4th/5th September '21 23rd Sunday Yr. B

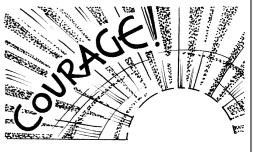
MASS TIMES

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's

GOSPEL THOUGHTS Mark 7;31-37

A signature tune of our favourite TV programme can have us running into the room to watch it. The crowd at Goodison know the players are about to arrive on the pitch for the match when they hear the speakers blare out 'Z Cars'.



When Jesus healed the deaf and dumb man it was like playing the signature tune of the Kingdom. Isaiah and the prophets had rehearsed the signs that would declare 'God is coming'. The ears of the deaf and the tongues of the dumb would be released to sing for joy.

The miracles were all pointers, signals that the time had come to give bread to the hungry and raise up those who are bowed down. We are sent to bring good news to the poor,and set the downtrodden free.

God's spirit is in our hearts let us sing and joyfully imitate Jesus who shows us the way. It takes courage to get on with the job.

<u>REMEMBERED</u>

...during Mass

Alison Hegarty, Joe Duggan, Ritchie McArdle, Peter Dooley, Cissie Atkinson, Terry McSweeney and members of our own families who have gone before us.

SYNOD 2020-2021-2022

<u>Update</u>: The Archbishop and team will be writing up the Pastoral Plan in September from the list of Recommendations voted on by Synod members. Please keep them in your prayers. The Pastoral Plan will be given to us at the end of November.

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.
AMFN

Please take a copy of the **CATHOLIC PIC** with you as you go home .

FOOD PANTRY KENSINGTON FIELDS FOR RESIDENTS OF L6 AND L7

The Food Pantry is open to all residents of L6 and L7 every

Tuesday 1pm - 3pm. Register at Kensington Fields Community

Centre. Registration is £3.50 for which you can have 10 items of

groceries, enough for 3 family meals. For more information ring Sue

or Myra on 0151 707 9107.

FOODBANKS

To find your local Foodbank call 0151 226 3406

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to all our school children and staff from both our schools. We hope that you've had a good rest, time to recuperate and that this year will prove easier for you than the last two.

Precautions

Returning to Football Matches, Festivals and School will mean an inevitable peak of contagion.

We must do things slowly.

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

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 should be no clustering.

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 <u>during the week.</u>
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.

STOP the ARMS FAIR in LIVERPOOL Sat. 11th September

Assemble at Prince Park Gates and walk to the Catholic Cathedral. Weapons and Military Technology are to be marketed. Not in our City. Join the walk come and see it and learn more about the resistance.

FUNERALS

Please pray for and think about our bereaved families who are coping with restrictions at this time, as our parish keeps company with them.

Mon 6th Sept 12noon Funeral Service Richie McArdle Tues 7th Sept 12noon Funeral Service Cissie Atkinson