

PEACE THOUGHTS

Speaking to young people, Pope Francis urged them:

'We didn't come into this world to 'vegetate', to take it easy, to make our lives a comfortable sofa to fall asleep on.

No, we came for another reason: to leave a mark.....

But when we opt for ease and convenience, for confusing happiness with consumption, then we end up paying a high price indeed: we lose our freedom..... Following Jesus demands a good dose of courage, a readiness to trade in the sofa for a pair of walking shoes and to set out on new and uncharted paths.'

'If money and material things become the centre of our lives, they seize us and make us slaves.'

'A fearful Christian is a person who has not understood the message of Jesus.'

Pope Francis

WORTH WATCHING!

MONDAY 11.15pm BBC2: SOLD: SEX SLAVES NEXT DOOR

Investigates women and girls being trafficked into the UK, who are then kept as slaves and sold for sex: yet another example of how the dignity of women in our world is not recognised.

TUESDAY 9.00pm BBC4: MAYA ANGELOU ON ROBERT BURNS

Ahead of Burn's Night, the poet reveals her passion for the Scot's work.

WEDNESDAY 9.00pm BBC1: JAY BLADES: LEARNING TO READ AT 51

The celebrity left school with no qualifications and the reading age of an 11-year-old and has spent his life finding ways to avoid the written word. Now he begins a new chapter in his life and in his quest for literacy proving that it's never too late!

THURSDAY 7.30pm ITV1: SMART MOTORWAYS: HITTING THE BRAKES

With an increase in the number of fatal accidents as a result of smart motorways, this documentary investigates their safety and efficacy.

THURSDAY 11.15pm BBC2: THE BOY IN THE STRIPED PYJAMAS

On Holocaust Memorial Day, this moving film portrays the innocence of children in face of the horrors of the Nazi war machine.

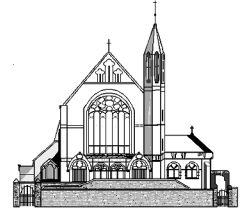
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22nd/23rd January '22 3rd Sunday Year C MASS TIMES

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 Luke 1; 1-4 & 4;14-21.

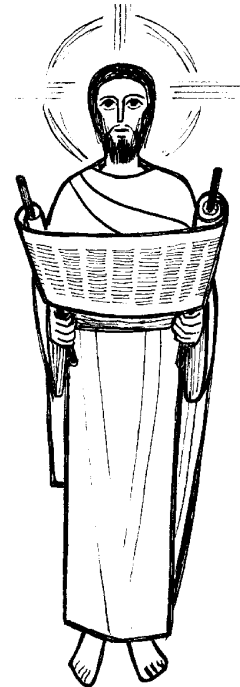
After visiting IKEA the proud start assembling without reading the instructions. Unwise people cook without checking the recipe.

Ezra and Jesus are keen that we should listen and even study instructions from God. God the Father wants to gather us together and then God's instructions can be read out to those who are called because they are loved.

We know we are loved and nourished because we hear God's manifesto; all that God wants to do for us and with us.

If we read the instructions we learn that God is present to keep us company, creatively. We are to see clearly, feel affirmed, receive good news, escape small mindedness, and do all this for those we meet.

The Gospel is not to be ignored, left on one side. The instructions for a joyful life are at your elbow. READ THE GOSPEL.



REMEMBERED

...during Mass

Margaret Welch, Carol Rudkin, John Byrne,
Peter Nicholson, Tom Cullinan, Michael Bingham
and members of our own families
who have gone before us .

SYNOD 2020-2021-2022

The Archbishop calls our attention to four SIGNPOSTS

1. To be immersed in the joys, hopes and anxieties of those we meet.
2. To take responsibility for the quality of life of the parish.
3. To be confident in our faith and personality.
4. To embed a profound and loving listening in all our decisions.

These are things we can work at straight away.

This way, we can be
something of Jesus' love for all we meet.

LET US PRAY

**Father of love and compassion,
with trust in your great mercy,
we place our Pastoral Plan into your hands.**

Sorry to ask

With fewer attending church our income is only a fraction of the previous time. Thanks to all those who have not forgotten us. Here is a reminder that the Parish exists because of the generosity of those who attend. Income. Over to you.

FAMILY BILLS

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

S.V.P.

On your behalf the St. Vincent de Paul Society have organized substantial food tokens and our parish is distributing them to families that need a little support at this expensive time.

WELL DONE!

Please keep the SVP in mind as you leave church.

"God is Present "

Precautions

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.**
Let us all work to avoid another Lock Down.

JUSTICE & PEACE Meeting

Wednesday evening 5.30pm in the parish rooms Horne St.

The need for peace in the world is obvious. People are struggling against violence and conflict, growing inequalities, the effects of climate change and the Covid pandemic.

A chance for you to gather courage and imagination after Pope Francis calling us to be active, said.....

'We pray that we will harness the gifts and energy of all people and generations in the work of peace making and resolve to make a difference ourselves.'

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY.

18th-25th JANUARY

Through the length of Kensington all the Christian churches invited the other churches to pray for unity among Christian churches every where. It is an uplifting experience to visit and pray with other believers. Please tell each other any stories of shared activities or prayers. Lots of families are made up, these day, of people who were baptised or worship in various churches.