

## PEACE THOUGHTS

Wealth consists, not in having great possessions, but in having few wants!

*'There was a time when I believed stuff meant something; I thought that if you had matching side chairs and a sofa that harmonised and some beautiful lamps to light them, you would have a home; that this elegance signalled happiness.'*

Commonly, we invest in things as trappings, as signals, as badges of success when we actually lack the confidence to believe in our 'self'.

The price we pay for such accumulation of things is a high one.

For the rest of our lives we are condemned to fear the loss of them and to live forever with the taste of continual insecurity in our mouths, unending neediness in our hearts and the inability of soul to enjoy what we have and be grateful for what we love.

The things of the soul - the joy of life, the love of beauty and nature, the gift of friendship, the pursuit of truth and the depth of the spirit - these grow where we are free of frenzy and devoid of the chaos of accumulation.

Then we are rich! Then we are strong!

Adapted from 'Between The Dark And The Daylight' by Sr. Joan Chittister

## TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

### MONDAY 7.30pm BBC1: A COW'S LIFE: THE TRUE COST OF MILK?

Investigates whether animal welfare in the dairy industry is being compromised to keep the cost of milk low.

### WEDNESDAY 9.00pm C4: GEMMA COLLINS: SELF-HARM AND ME

Explores why around one in fifteen people have self-harmed in the UK; how bullying, self-esteem issues and social media pressures contribute and how therapy sessions massively support those who suffer

### THURSDAY 7.30pm ITV1: THE TRUE COST OF TRAIN TRAVEL?

With train operators cutting services, passenger numbers falling and big fare rises imminent despite funding, are British railways heading for a crisis?

### THURSDAY 9.00pm BBC2: HUBBLE: THE WONDERS OF SPACE

Celebrates 30 years of the Hubble telescopes revelations about the universe!

### FRIDAY 7.30pm C4: UNREPORTED WORLD: ANTIVAX PREACHERS

South Sudan relies on donated vaccines with only a few hundred thousand for a population of 12 million! This report follows the hazardous trek to deliver 15 vaccines to a remote village, against the backdrop of misinformation.

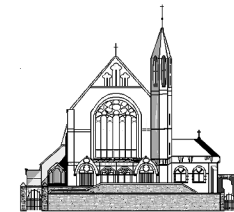
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Confessions: Saturday 12noon St Michael's



## 12th/13th February '22 6th 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

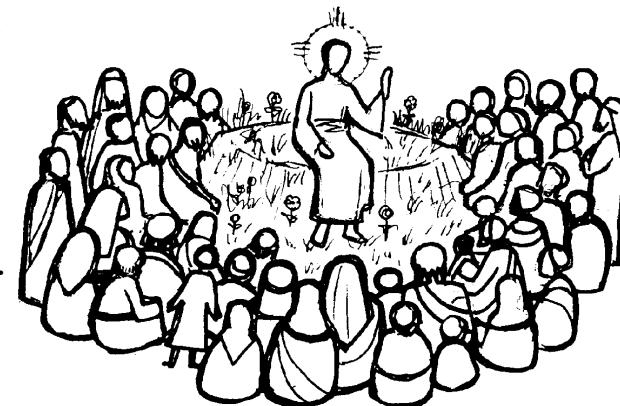
Sunday 10.30am St Michael's

## GOSPEL THOUGHTS Luke 6:17-26

Parts of the world believe in a 'Trickle down theory', where the rich get richer so that their wealth will spill over into the lives of those who are poor. Jesus saw things differently, he was counter cultural. Pope John Paul II said that followers of Christ must be found swimming against the tide.

Jesus who chose to preach in the open, on hills in the field or a boat off shore was mostly avoiding pulpits and the temple. The comfortable, rich, well fed could afford the capital and the temple. He quickly settled for the poor, the hungry and the misfits because that was where the work of God's love was needed.

Crowds came to hear this good news so he sat in the open air and brought joy to those without it. Whose company do we chose?



## REMEMBERED

...during Mass

Gerard Gibbons, Betty Jones, Margaret Doyle  
Maureen White, Alexander Reid  
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.

DON'T BE ALONE WITH  
DEBT

## FAMILY BILLS

Citizens Advice Bureau

0300 330 1196 [debthelp@caliverpoolgmmmap.org.uk](mailto:debthelp@caliverpoolgmmmap.org.uk)

Or

Struggling to pay your bills contact Kensington Fields Community Centre 0151 708 9107. The staff there will put you in touch with a Money Advisor for FREE and impartial advice.

## FOOD AT THE PARISH DOOR

Your contributions and kindness goes a long way.  
Ring pull cans with a whole meal.  
Pasta, noodles and tinned tomatoes too.  
Thank you for your response.

"God is Present "

## Precautions

### Inside Public Spaces !

It is not against the law to be without a mask except "inside public spaces ". We would always want to be polite to those who are careful/anxious. Therefore we ask you to consider continuing to wear a face mask in church

### St Luke's story of Jesus

Wed 7.00pm St Michaels Parish Rooms with distancing.  
This last meeting will look at the drama of resistance and resurrection. With distancing.

### Deanery Priests

The priests of our diocese are setting about work arising from the Synod; attempting to embed a listening process . This process will take most of the year.  
Please pray for your priests.

### RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

Let's pray for all the ways we discriminate against those who are different to our selves.

### Saint Francis of Assisi Academy,

#### Newsham Park

#### Read all about it!

Page 21 and 23 of the Catholic Pictorial (February edition)  
St Francis of Assisi and St Nicholas

### THE POPE WANTS TO KNOW

There are ten themes and lots of questions  
on Page 17 of the Catholic Pictorial. Do read and respond.

### VIGIL FOR PEACE.

Friday 4th Feb people of different faiths gathered at the Metropolitan Cathedral to pray for peace especially focussing on Russia / Ukraine . Watch the news.