

PEACE THOUGHTS

There's a story about apathy:

A young man eagerly described what he dreamed of doing for the needy. Said the master, 'When do you propose to make this dream come true?'

The young man answered, 'As soon as the opportunity arrives.' 'Opportunity never arrives,' said the master, 'It is here already; so turn this very moment into the moment of opportunity for many.'

Sympathy is no substitute for action.

The question is: 'What did I do today to minimise the evil in our world in my neighbourhood, in my family? Allen Ginsberg says of it: 'It isn't enough for your heart to break, because everybody's heart is broken now.'

Change is obstructed by apathy and by fear.

Apathy requires that we have to confront ourselves. Fear requires that we challenge our opposition. Allan Boesak says of change, 'We will go before God and God will ask us, 'Where are your wounds?' And we will say, 'We have no wounds!' And God will ask, 'Was nothing worth fighting for?'

From 'We Are All One.' by Sr. Joan Chittister, OSB

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

MONDAY 8.00pm BBC1: IS THE CLOUD DAMAGING THE PLANET?

The Cloud depends on processing factories - vast data centres that use enormous amounts of power and water. This report investigates the growing environmental problems and concerns surrounding this.

TUESDAY 9.00pm BBC2: THE SHAMIMA BEGUM STORY

At 15, the British teenager left the UK to join the terror group, Islamic State, then at 19, after having had 3 children all of whom died, she was desperate to return to the UK. In this film, she gives her account of what happened to her.

TUESDAY 10.00pm BBC4: NAVALNY

Documentary about the Russian opposition leader, Alexei Navalny.

THURSDAY 8.30pm ITV1: CAN YOU BOOST YOUR IMMUNE SYSTEM?

Is there a way we can stop falling ill by boosting our immune system?

THURSDAY 10.45pm ITV1: WOMEN AND THE POLICE

Investigates the culture of misogyny within many British police forces, talking to former and serving officers who have been silenced when trying to speak out.

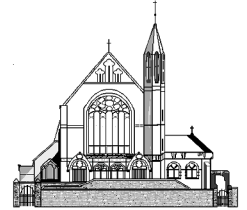
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Confessions: Saturday 12noon St Michael's



4th-5th February 2023 5th Sunday Year A P.133

MASS TIMES

Monday 9.00am Sacred Heart

Tuesday 9.30am St Michael

Wednesday 12noon Sacred Heart

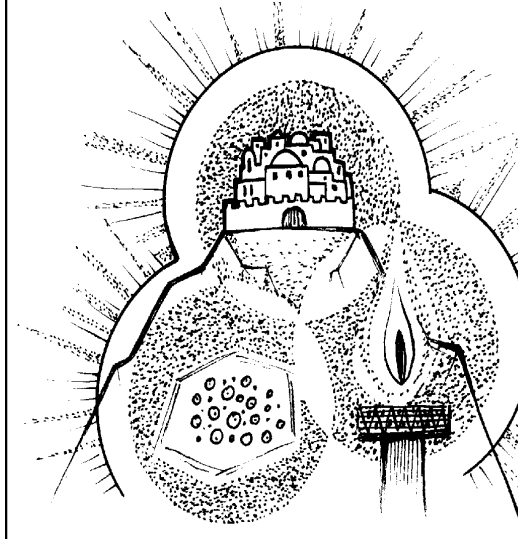
Thursday 7.00pm St Michael

Saturday 6.30pm Sacred Heart

Sunday 10.30am St Michael

GOSPEL THOUGHTS Matthew 5: 13-16

"Salt and vinegar?", is the cry as our wrapped chips are handed over the counter. Without salt our food lacks flavour. Jesus calls us the 'salt of the earth'. We are as essential as salt to the situation we find ourselves in.



'You are the light of the world' to bring hope to each area of our life. What a wonderful task to bring brightness to our surroundings.

Like a city built on a hilltop we are to be easily seen and sought after because we are to bring delight to other peoples' lives.

Jesus said this about us!

REMEMBERED
...during Mass

Owen Hughes, Joyce Rhoden, Angela Wang,
Peter Nicholson, Frank Hunt, Michael Brien,
and all our family and friends who have gone before us.

PASTORAL PLAN
Deanery Synodal Council
<http://liverpoolpastoralplan.org.uk>

At a meeting on Wednesday 25th January plans were made for catechists from across the deanery to share experiences swap ideas and encourage each other.

**Monday 6th February in St Michael's Meeting room
Horne St. early evening 6.30pm.**

Six Areas of Development

1. Becoming a church that **accompanies people through life**
2. Becoming a church that **honours the vocation of all the baptised**
3. Becoming a church **where synodality is embedded**
4. Becoming a church that **renews its organisational structures and administers its property to serve its mission.**
5. Becoming a church **where young people and young adults flourish.**
6. Becoming a church that **cares for its priests.**

One of the four sign posts that emerged from the work that we in our local church have been doing over the last few years is
"Embed synodality in every aspect of archdiocesan life."

THE IRISH CENTRE

Tea, bingo and a chat, 1-3pm on occasional Thursdays.
SEE YOU THERE

MONEY MATTERS

The **SVP** is the way our parishioners can donate to create a sum of money so we can assist families in difficulties. We have a monthly opportunity to contribute please prepare to be part of the chance to keep company with folk who get into trouble

The **Parish Collection** is the way we pay our bills. Post COVID we have established the collection taken during mass at the offertory.

FUNERAL

One of our longest parishioners has died; gone to eternity. **Michael Brien**. Decades attending mass and one decade collecting the offertory from the congregation, he has no family of his own. PLEASE consider attending his funeral on **Tuesday 7th Feb 12noon at St Michael's church.**

This community is his family. Thank You.

Funeral for **Owen Hughes** at 12 noon at Sacred Heart on Thursday 16th February

EMMAUS GROUP

'God for Grownups.'

An hour for adults to look at our faith for our own time. A chance for conversations about our life in the light of the gospels. Interested?
Sundays **5th & 12th February '23 4.00pm**

PAX CHRISTI MEETING

Thursday, **9th February, 2.00pm** in Parish Rooms,
St. Michael's

Please join us; you are very welcome!

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS MEETING

Monday **20th February Horne St, 7.30pm**
All welcome.

WITH YOU ALWAYS

Next WYA session for families is TUESDAY, February 28th
Children's Mass: Sat 18th March, 6:30pm at Sacred Heart.
Sunday 19th March, 10:30am at St Michaels.

DEANERY JUSTICE AND PEACE MEETING

Wednesday, **8th March, 5.30pm**
in **St. Michael's, Horne St.**

Please join us; you are very welcome!