

PEACE THOUGHTS

So many terrible things happen every day that we start wondering whether the few things we do make any sense or impact.

When people are starving thousands miles away, when wars are raging, when countless people in our own cities are homeless, our own activities look futile.

Such considerations, however, can paralyse and depress us. Remember, we are not called to save the whole world, to solve all problems, and help all people. But we each have our own unique call, in our families, in our work, in our world. We have to keep asking God to help us see clearly what our call is and to give us the strength to live out that call with trust.

Then we will discover that our faithfulness to a small task is the most healing response to the illnesses of our time.

Henri Nouwen - *Bread For The Journey*

In life, it is never the big battle, the big moment, the big speech, the big election - these do not change things. What changes things is, every day, getting up and rendering small acts of service and love beyond that which is expected or required of you.

Cory Booker

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

TUESDAY 9.00pm BBC4: NELLY & NADINE: RAVENSBRUK, 1944

Poignant documentary about two women who fell in love in Ravensbrück Concentration Camp. Diaries, photos and home movies reveal their remarkable story.

WEDNESDAY 8.00pm CHANNEL 5: THE TRUTH ABOUT READY MEALS

Explores the world of shop-bought meals, comparing the many options available and finding out how these dishes are actually produced.

THURSDAY 9.00pm BBC3: EVICTED

Follows the lives of eight young people who have been issued with eviction notices. What are their rights and their next steps?

FRIDAY 7.30pm C4: UNREPORTED WORLD: INSIDE LITTLE NORTH KOREA

Explores a community of Koreans living in Japan including a residents' association that has been the conduit for millions of dollars being sent back and forth between Japan and Pyongyang.

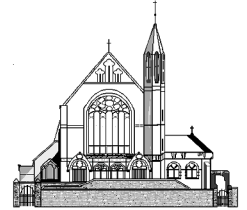
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Confessions: Saturday 12noon St Michael's



22nd-23rd April '23 3rd Sunday of Easter Yr. A P 259

MASS TIMES

Monday 9.00am Sacred Heart

Tuesday 9.30am St Michael

Wednesday 12 noon Sacred Heart

Thursday 7.00pm St Michael

Saturday 6.30pm Sacred Heart

Sunday 10.30am St Michael

GOSPEL THOUGHTS

Luke 24:13-25

We have a good friend if they are interested enough to ask and listen and let us talk and get things out. After we have "Gotten it off our chest," it is our turn to listen to our friend. Keeping company and knowing about each other is grace at work.

St. Peter says, in an early sermon (first reading), God gave us Jesus as our companion. In Jesus, risen from the dead, God is listening to us in the most thorough and drastic way.

They didn't recognize him, in the new friend who walked and listened to them (the Gospel). Grace, the presence of God, was their companion and they did not know he was listening to their troubles. But when they listened their hearts burned within them. They did then recognise him and were filled with new energy. Together at the table Easter overwhelmed them.



REMEMBERED

...during Mass

Jade Murray, Jimmy Collins, Linda Brogan,
Bernard Brougham, Gladys Range,
and all our family and friends who have gone before us.

PASTORAL PLAN

Deanery Synodal Council

<http://liverpoolpastoralplan.org.uk>

The members are attending a talk on the situation in Jerusalem and the West Bank in Palestine. On their agenda is a visit to the university for a talk on Synodality. The Deanery Council has also started an audit of the parishes in the deanery so as to better understand what is done in each parish and various ways of being a parish community. This council is made up of lay people and a few 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."

THEREFORE.....we have a.....

PARISH FORUM

At the meeting last week we set a date....
June 10th as a Parish Day Out to think through what the parish means to us and how we can develop for the future.

THE IRISH CENTRE

Tea, bingo and a chat, 1-3pm on occasional Thursdays.
MONDAY May 1st, Family activities at the Centre this Bank Holiday
SEE YOU THERE!

GET READY!

When you vote in the future, you will need to have ready some form of **photo-identification**. This could be a driver's licence, a passport, a Blue Badge, a national older person's bus pass.
Register to vote before May's local elections. **May 4th.**

EMMAUS GROUP

'God for Grownups.'

4.00pm Sundays 23rd and 30th April
An hour and a bit 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?

WITH YOU ALWAYS

1st Communion Preparation
Childrens Mass this Sat 22nd April Sacred Heart
or Sun 23rd April St Michael
Next 'With You Always' session for families is on
Tues. 25th April, 5:30pm at Irish Centre

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER'S CHURCH

The church will be closed for a while. The new parish priest will be Fr. Chris McCoy who will be in place early May.

PAX CHRISTI

You are welcome to our meeting
THURSDAY, MAY 11th, 2pm at the presbytery
and **MONDAY MAY 15TH**

International Conscientious Objectors Day

Join Pax Christi to commemorate Conscientious Objectors, past and present. Many took and still take a stand for peace refusing to kill. 12 noon outside Central Library ending at the Peace Gardens with a reading of names, poetry and music.
May 21st is also the feast day of Franz Jagerstatter who, as a Catholic, refused to fight for Hitler and was executed.

KNITTING FOR

Thank you to everyone who knits, crochets or sews for us.
This year (2023) we have sent blankets to Africa, Ukraine, Turkey and Syria.
Our next blankets will be going to Ukraine next week.
Thank you for the time and effort you put into making this possible.