

EASTER PEACE PRAYER

Let there be an up-rising of Christ - crushed, crucified, entombed!
Let the earth crack! Let stones be rolled away!
Let the dawn push back the blanket of the night!
Let the trumpet sound! Let flowers open!
For we welcome the One, who affirms life!
Let there be an up-rising of God's little ones -
dispossessed, outcast, silenced.
Let their land be given back to them!
Let the stones blocking their liberty be rolled away!
Let their stubborn hopes for tomorrow
re-shape the dark realities of today!
Let their own stories be heard!
Let our ears and hearts be open to them
for their struggles reveal the one who affirms life!
As you stay with us, Living Lord,
move us to take the risk to love as you did.
Give us the courage and tenacity to put our spoken prayers
into serious action as, in our own small ways,
we strive to reveal your Kingdom in our times. Amen.

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

MONDAY 10.30pm BBC4: ENDGAME IN NORTHERN IRELAND

Series examining the peace process in Northern Ireland gives an insight into secret meetings that took place between the IRA and the British government.

WEDNESDAY 10.40pm BBC1: LOVE FAITH & ME

How do a Sikh couple who are seeking medical help to conceive draw on their faith for support?

FRIDAY 7.30pm C4: UNREPORTED WORLD: THE BANK RAIDERS OF BEIRUT

Amid a banking crisis and calls for revolution in Lebanon, a young couple plan a bank raid to get hold of their own savings.

FRIDAY 9.00pm BBC2: PILGRIMAGE: ROAD THROUGH PORTUGAL

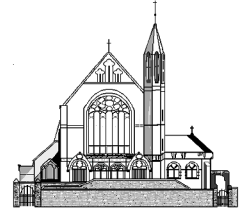
Follows a group of celebrities as they continue their pilgrimage to Fatima.

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THE PARISH OF ST MICHAEL AND SACRED HEART

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8th - 9th April '23 Easter Sunday Year A P 251

MASS TIMES

Wednesday Funeral 12 noon St Michael

***Saturday 6.30pm Sacred Heart
Sunday 10.30am St Michael***

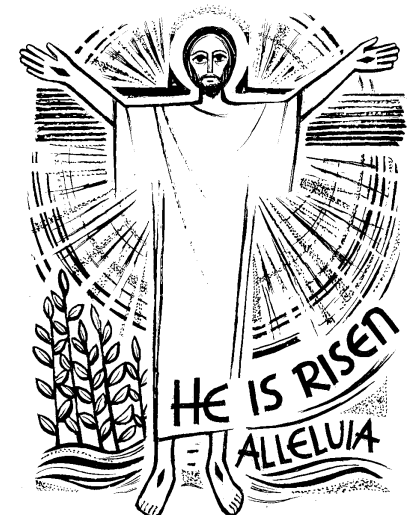
GOSPEL THOUGHTS

In the darkness of midnight we light an Easter candle. One candle is a sign of Jesus. A crowd of parishioners light a candle each from 'Jesus' and the darkness is chased away; there is only light now and it is still night time! That is how God's love and light works.

We are to gather Jesus risen from the dead and the darkness will run away from that light and love. As Easter people we are capable of banishing darkness of all kinds.

We are to trust and align our lives in a friendship with Jesus who in baptism wraps us up in His death and resurrection. At Easter we celebrate what we cannot do and relax into what God has done.

Unbelievable! But, we trust that God has shared eternal love and light with us and we must get on with driving out all kinds of darkness. WE are EASTER PEOPLE!



REMEMBERED

...during Mass

Linda Gaines, Barbara Stephenson, Bernard Brougham,
Thomas Wallace, Gladys Range, Susan Wardle,
and all our family and friends who have gone before us.

PASTORAL PLAN

Deanery Synodal Council

<http://liverpoolpastoralplan.org.uk>

This council is made up of lay people and a few priests.
They are gathering information about Asylum Seekers.
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.

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!

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, an older person's bus pass. Register to vote before
Mays local elections

PAX CHRISTI

YOU ARE WELCOME TO OUR MEETING
THURSDAY MAY 11TH, 2PM AT THE PRESBYTERY

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RUNNING TOTAL FOR FAMILY FAST DAY IS 307.93

WITH YOU ALWAYS

1st Communion Preparation

**Childrens Mass Sat 22nd April Sacred Heart
& 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 Jesuits are leaving SFX and there will be a transition
time . The church will be closed from Monday 17th April to
Sunday 24th April. The new parish priest will be
Fr Chris McCoy who will be in place early May.

As part of the handover we are invited to Mass with Father
General Arturo Sosa SJ on **Tuesday 11th April at 6pm.**

The final parish Mass with the Jesuits
is **Sunday April 16th at 10.15 am.**

This will be followed by a reception.

EMMAUS GROUP

'God for Grownups.'

4.00pm Sundays 16th, 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?
One of our parishioners is to be received into Catholicism
this Easter. Do keep her in your prayers.

PARISH FORUM

Wednesday 19th April 7.00pm.

A chance to chat and develop the workings
of the parish community

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.