

## PEACE THOUGHTS

### **Words Found in the Rubble after the Final War**

Yes, we lived in a time of darkness and did nothing.  
Yes, we looked up and we saw the sky on fire,  
and we knew that we had made the flames  
with our own hands.

Yes, we wasted every breath on rage.  
Children, if any of you have survived this,  
start again with the simplest things,  
we beg you.

Walk out through the garden of the darkness  
and touch each other's faces in the morning air.  
Slowly. Slowly. Say each other's names.

Joseph Fasano

## TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

### **MONDAY 9.00pm BBC2: UNION**

David Olusoga examines union and disunion in Wales and Ireland.

### **MONDAY 10.45pm ITV1: UKRAINE'S STOLEN CHILDREN**

Tells the story of the Ukrainian children who were taken to Russia after the war started and of their families who are trying to find them.

### **WEDNESDAY 10.50pm SKY DOCUMENTARIES: 4 LITTLE GIRLS**

Oscar-nominated film charting the 1963 racist bombing of a church in Birmingham, Alabama.

### **THURSDAY 8.30pm ITV1: YOUNG CARERS: A HIDDEN CRISIS**

Across the UK and behind closed doors thousands of children are providing care for loved ones who simply couldn't cope without their help. This report investigates the true scale of the issue and asks whether young carers are getting the support they need.

### **FRIDAY 7.30pm C4: UNREPORTED WORLD**

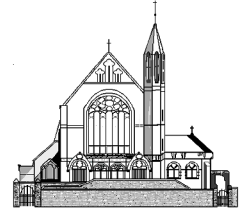
Examines the exotic pet trade based in Mexico.

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## **THE PARISH OF ST MICHAEL AND SACRED HEART**

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Confessions: Saturday 12noon St Michael's



**21st-22nd Oct 2023 29th Sunday Yr.A p.143**

## **MASS TIMES**

**Monday 9.00am Sacred Heart**  
**Tuesday 9.30am St Michael**  
**Funeral 12noon Irene Bennett St Michael**  
**Wednesday 12noon Sacred Heart**  
**Thursday 7.00pm St Michael**  
**Saturday 6.30pm Sacred Heart**  
**Sunday 10.30am St Michael**

**GOSPEL THOUGHTS**     **Matt. 22; 15-21**

Everything that lives and breathes comes from the Creator and belongs to God. This generosity is to become the spirit of each living person. Everything we do is to be our gift to each other and especially to our children's children; to generations still to come. Pope Francis calls all creation "our common home".

Jesus lived in a time of oppression and complications; just like today. His enemies worked hard to destroy his reputation and popularity.

The leaders of His time asked Him an awkward question to embarrass Him. Aware of the difference between all that is created and the Creator, Jesus confuses them. He invites them to wake up and convert to God who is 'unrivalled' and who takes the powerful by the hand so they are open to God's ways (Isaiah).

Any decisions and action made with out awareness of God's powerful presence is in danger of being violent, dealing death and not generous.



### REMEMBERED

...during Mass

Rita Templeman, Vic Madden, Julia Davies,  
Patrick Doran, Irene Bennett, Austin Hunt  
and all our family and friends who have gone before us.

### 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 flourish.**
6. Becoming a church **that cares for its priests.**

### BAPTISM

Preparation for Baptism will consist of visits to Mass,  
attending two meetings with Catechists then settling on a date  
that suits the family and the parish priest.

Baptism in our parish is for families that live in the parish  
and children who attend our schools.

Our next Baptism meetings

**Monday 23rd October & 6th November.**

For more information ring 0151 263 6578 and leave a message.

### WITH YOU ALWAYS

The 1st Communion session for Reconciliation  
was Tuesday, 17th Oct. The children and their parents will  
make their 1st (Confession) Reconciliation on 21st Nov.  
and there is a Family Mass 2nd/3rd Dec

### Red Mission Boxes

Please bring your red mission boxes to church  
Thankyou in anticipation.

### Pax Christi Meeting

**November 9th 2023 at 2pm**

St Michaels Parish Rooms , Horne Street  
Come and be part of our peace planning .

### UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

1st Comm W.Y.A. programme is under way  
Justice/Faith in Action **Wednesday 25th October**  
Pax Christi **Thursday 9th Nov**

**Interested? Come along  
and be part of the community.**

### IRENÆUS AND OUR PARISH FORUM

*'The Shaping of Things to Come:'*

Reflecting on the Life and Ministries of our Parishes.'

A number of parishioners attended this course. It helped us think  
about what kind of church we currently are and what kind of parish  
we want to become. We discussed what the character of our world  
is and what the good news might mean for people today.

The Forum met on Wednesday last week. It commended the  
involvement of our young people in the liturgy, notably in the  
prayers and noted that plans to improve the parish meeting room  
were being actioned.

### JUSTICE/FAITH IN ACTION GROUP

**WEDNESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 5.30PM, ST. MICHAEL'S ROOMS**

If you are interested in exploring international and local justice  
issues in the light of the Gospel and Catholic Social Teaching, then  
please join us. How, when confronted with the issues of our day,  
can we work together to put our faith into action? All are welcome!

### COST OF LIVING CRISIS

**Pope Francis** has published a letter for all the world to see on  
the feast of St Francis of Assisi, 4th October.

It is about poverty and inequality in the global family.  
Please find it on the internet and tell another person about it.  
Here in Liverpool the local 'Churches Together' are inviting you  
to reflect on this crisis,

### THE TABLET

The parish has committed to two copies of the TABLET each week.  
If a few parishioners would promise us £5 per month  
for this weekly £5 magazine we could share costs  
as well as a good read.