

PEACE THOUGHTS

Compassion is not sympathy, it is empathy.
Sympathy understands the feelings of the one who suffers;
empathy feels the feelings of those who are suffering.
Moreover, true compassion means not only feeling another's pain,
but also being moved to help relieve it.

Compassion saves us from going through life soul-less -
unaware of anyone but ourselves. George Bernard Shaw wrote of this,
'The worst sin towards our fellow creatures is not to hate them,
but to be indifferent to them; that's the essence of humanity.'

What we all depend on is the compassion of God.
The eternal spiritual question must therefore be:
Who is depending on me for the same thing?

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

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

Check out **ALJAZEERA NEWS** as a companion to the other coverage
that is being shared on the Israel/Gaza war. There is much to learn!
ALJAZEERA ENGLISH is available in the UK on Freeview channel 235,
Sky channels 513 and 880, Freesat channel 203,
Virgin Media channel 622 or live on YouTube.

MONDAY 10.00pm BBC4: EYEWITNESS TO HISTORY: NORMA PERCY

The film maker comments on her series, 'Elusive Peace', in which she
explored efforts to end the conflict between Israel and Palestine.

MONDAY 10.15pm BBC4: ELUSIVE PEACE

Looks at those who tried to secure a peace agreement between Palestine
and Israel, notably Bill Clinton, Yasser Arafat and Ariel Sharon.

TUESDAY 11.05pm ITV 1: ON ASSIGNMENT

On the eve of the COP 28 Global Climate Change Conference, this
report discovers how three countries - Iceland, Denmark and Sweden,
are tackling this existential threat to the world.

THURSDAY 8.30pm ITV1: NEW HIPS & KNEES: BRITAIN'S BIGGEST QUEUE

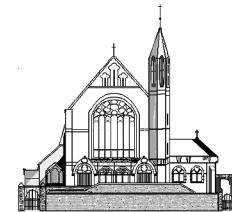
Investigates how many elderly people will wait, possibly years, for surgery
on an ever growing queue of hip and knee replacement.

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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 25: 31-46

A youngster pushed an elderly person to the ground. No one
else had seen the piece of falling masonry that would have hit
the OAP. Judgement is in the atmosphere every time we react
to the other person's need.

There is only one judgement we learn about from Jesus'
teaching. All his parables lead us directly to the need of the
other person. Rich or poor, friend or enemy, saint or sinner,
we are to work for the dignity of that other human being.

At the end of Matthew's
account of Jesus' life, the summary
is, 'Did you see the need of the last
person you encountered?'

God becoming Mary's child
reveals that all human beings are
holy; the very presence of God.

Our goodness is seen in the
recognition of Jesus in each person
we are dealing with. We are
revealing, as well as seeing, God in
that other human being.



REMEMBERED
...during Mass

Brenda Clew, Kristina Baverstock, Annie Greenwood
Chris Coates, Bernard Jackson,
and all our family and friends who have gone before us.

NOVEMBER and CATHOLICS

During this month we remember those who have died in the light of the feast of **ALL SAINTS**. You are welcome to bring lists of those you know who have died. **NO MONEY**.

Their names will be part of every mass throughout this month.

"...when we stand before you,

Saints among the Saints in the halls of heaven... "
(prayer from mass)

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

WITH YOU ALWAYS

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

PASTORAL PLAN - DEANERY NEWS

The Deanery Synodal Council has been working on the concept of 'Families of Parishes' and will meet with other deaneries at the end of November. Things are developing!

ADVENT BOOKLET - 'Walk With Me'

Next Sunday is the beginning of Advent. To support you in your Advent journey there are booklets which feature readings, reflections and prayer for each day of this special season. Cost £1.

IRISH CENTRE - CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME

There is a very full programme of events and activities during the month of December. These include wreathmaking, parties, a pensioners' Christmas dinner, coffee mornings, a tea dance, and musical shows. Details at www.liverpoolirishcentre.org

UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

1st Comm W.Y.A. programme is **under way**.
Liturgy Meeting **Mon 27th November 7.30pm**
Christmas cards for Prisoners of Conscience -
Wed 29th Nov 6pm
Eucharistic Ministers **Wed 6th Dec 7.30pm**

PARISH FORUM

The Forum is our parish working for collaborative ministry

JUSTICE/FAITH IN ACTION GROUP

PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND

On Tuesdays, 9.00am - 12.00pm. in St. Michael's Church.
Please drop into church for a short while to remember all who are suffering because of war in the Middle East
And Ukraine and light a candle for peace.

The Faith in Action Group also invites you to join us on **Wednesday, 29th November at 6.30pm in St. Michael's Parish Rooms** to address Christmas cards to Prisoners of Conscience. These will be distributed the following weekend.

COST OF LIVING CRISIS

Pope Francis published a letter to the world 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. Don't be alone with money worries, there is help out there.

Citizens Advice Bureau 0300 330 1196
Kensington Fields Community Centre 0151 708 9107
BIG HELP Boaler Street 0808 275 9931
Join a Credit Union!

TIME OUT ON TUESDAYS

An opportunity to spend some quiet time away from the busyness of life
at The Cenacle, Lance Lane, Liverpool 15 on **Saturday 25 November**
and **Tuesday 12th December**
Booking 0151 722 2271

NOVEMBER CATHOLIC PICTORIAL

COPIES AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF CHURCH.
Check out page 12 Jan Harper our local hero
and Page 20 our local Catholic secondary schools.