

PEACE THOUGHTS

As we witness news reports about war in Gaza,
These quotes, taken from the writings of Martin Luther King Jr.
give us food for thought.

History will have to record that the greatest tragedy of this period was not the strident clamour of the bad people, but the appalling silence of the good people. Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are all caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny.

*Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.
The one who passively accepts evil is as much involved in it as the one who helps to perpetrate it.*

Those who accept evil without protesting against it are really cooperating with it.

*People often hate each other because they fear each other;
they fear each other because they don't know each other;
they don't know each other because they cannot communicate;
they cannot communicate because they are separated.*

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 and live on YouTube.

SUNDAY 9.00pm BBC1: TIME

Gritty, heart-breaking drama by local playwright, Jimmy McGovern, about three women's anguished journeys through the UK prison system.

WEDNESDAY 8.00pm BBC2: THE SECRET GENIUS OF MODERN LIFE

Reveals amazing facts about the production of a UK passport and raises serious questions about the future use of AI in their production.

THURSDAY 8.30pm ITV1: SILENCE ON THE WARDS

Examines the estimated 11,000 deaths in the NHS attributed to patient safety failings.

FRIDAY 8.30pm C4: UNREPORTED WORLD: TAIWAN

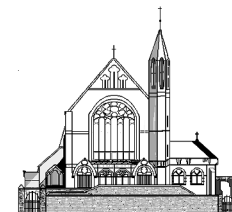
The self-ruling island of Taiwan is viewed by China as a renegade province, which it vows to unify by force, if necessary. This episode meets Taiwanese nationals preparing to defend their country against violent invasion.

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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

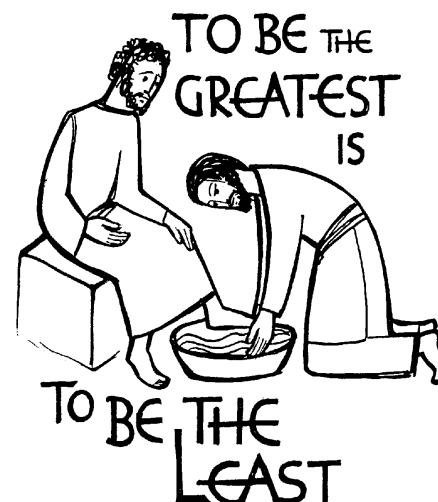
GOSPEL THOUGHTS

Matthew 23: 1-12

When someone has time to pause and listen to you, you can feel valued. When you carry someone else's shopping bag, that might be a glimpse of the gospel.

If you are the priest, or have any position over others, at home or any where in life, listen carefully to Jesus' reproach. Talking to 'the people' and his followers, He is scolding those who have been trusted with authority. Jesus says the influencers and powerful people should be servants perhaps lifting burdens from shoulders. Instead of feeling entitled and important, leaders are expected to assist those whose dignity and security is their responsibility.

Pray for the rich and those with the levers of power, and our selves when in that position; that the power of the Gospel might be present in our otherwise unimportant lives.



REMEMBERED
...during Mass

Bernard Jackson, Rita Templeman, Vic Madden,
Chris Coates, Kathy White,
and all our family and friends who have gone before us.

WHITE POPPIES...

..are about remembering all the victims of war, the civilians and the soldiers of both sides. To buy and wear one (sometimes along side a red one), would be to assist in the development of school resources and adult publications about non-violent ways of dealing with disputes. White poppies will be on sale at today's masses.
WAR IS NOT THE ANSWER.

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)

Parish Mass for deceased Thursday 16th Nov 7.00pm St Michael

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 will make their 1st (Confession) Reconciliation on 21st Nov. and there is a Family Mass 2nd/3rd Dec.

Pax Christi Meeting
November 9th 2023 at 2pm
in 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.
Pax Christi Meeting **Thurs 9th November, 2.00pm.**
Liturgy Meeting **Mon 27th November 7.30pm**
Eucharistic Ministers **Wed 6th Dec 7.30pm**
Interested? Come along

PARISH FORUM

The Forum commended the involvement of our young people in the liturgy, notably in the prayers and noted that plans to improve the parish meeting room are being actioned.

JUSTICE/FAITH IN ACTION GROUP

PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND

On Tuesday, 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 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.
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 £5 per month for this weekly £5 magazine, we could share costs as well as a good read.
Google "Tablet Catholic" and select "News" for free.

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. You can find out more at meetings across the Archdiocese on: Tuesday, 7th Nov. 7-9pm at St. Anne's Ormskirk.
8th Nov, 7-9pm, St. Julie's, Eccleston.