

PEACE THOUGHTS

'To me, a home is where you feel loved, safe, and cherished.'

Malala Yousafzai

Refugee Week '24 (17th- 23rd June) is the world's largest arts & culture festival celebrating the contributions, creativity and resilience of refugees and people seeking sanctuary. This year's theme is: 'Our Home'.

Home can be a place of refuge, a feeling or a state of mind. It can be found in smells, tastes and sounds; from the clothes we wear to the words we grew up with. It's in food, music and the arts. It's in our cultures and in our landscapes.

Home can be more than one place and finding it can be a journey, as it is for so many who have had to leave their countries and rebuild their lives.

Sometimes we can find home in a single person. Other times, it is in a whole community, and often, it's in a single gesture of care and welcome.

What would happen if this Refugee Week we extended our warmth and hospitality beyond our own homes and made entire neighbourhoods more welcoming? Simple acts like having a chat, walking together, or sending a message of welcome can help everyone feel like they belong.

Together, we can work in solidarity to ensure all our neighbours, new and familiar, have safe and welcoming homes.

Our home is also global. We are interconnected; we share the earth's resources, climate and its challenges. As we speak, millions of people are being displaced from their homes because of the climate crisis and war. But, exchanging knowledge, both new and traditional, can help us in practical ways to build hope for the future.

Together, this Refugee Week, let's practise our solidarity and make 'Our Home' a more welcoming, safe and sustainable place for all.

Find out about the work of Asylum Link working in our district at:
www.asylumlink.org.uk

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

ALJAZEERA NEWS - Challenging, in-depth coverage of world news!

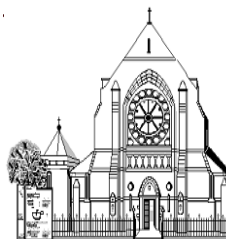
MONDAY 9.00pm BBC2: DEAD CALM: KILLING IN THE MED

Using covert filming and first-hand testimony, this report investigates claims that EU-funded boats carrying masked men are rounding up asylum seekers, forcing them back onto boats and abandoning them at sea.

TUESDAY 10.00pm BBC4: FLEE: STORYVILLE

Animated documentary following the true tale of Ali, an Afghan man, and the desperate measures he is forced to take to escape persecution.

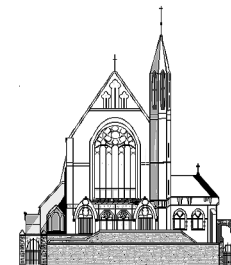
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THE PARISH OF ST MICHAEL AND SACRED HEART

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Confessions: Saturday 12noon St Michael's



15th 16th June 11th Sunday Year B p.95

Monday 12 noon Funeral Frank Slater Sacred Heart

Tuesday 9.30am Mass St Michael

Wednesday 12 noon School mass St Michael

Thursday 7.00pm St Michael

Friday 12 noon Funeral Paul De Lacy St Michael

Saturday 6.30pm Mass Sacred Heart

Sunday 10.30am Mass St Michael

GOSPEL THOUGHTS

Mark 4:26-34

"I knew you when you were only knee high," said grandmother back home.

Parents buy a school uniform too large because their teenager will grow into it. Adults that become as tall as they will ever be have still to grow in experiences, skills and wisdom. We are all meant to develop and become a good place for others to shelter in our company.

Jesus uses images and stories to help us to understand that we are to become the church we

are meant to be. Our Home, School and Parish community is still to grow to become a shelter, nurturing each other, and be a source of hope for our time.

What a privilege, let's get on with it!



THE
**CHURCH
GOD'S
TREE**

REMEMBERED
...during Mass

Joan Sweeney, Francis Slater,
Lynda Farnan, Paul De Lacey, Jimmy Loughlan,
and all our family and friends who have gone before us.

PASTORAL PLAN - DEANERY NEWS

Our Deanery Synodal Council looked at ways to discuss how we could bring parishes together for prayer, reflection and training. Let us start by planning a series of Masses for peace during **July**.

St Michael Thursday 11th 7.00pm
St John, Fountains Road Tuesday 7.00pm
SFX Salisbury St. 29th Saturday 12noon
All Saints Thursday 25th July 7.00pm
St Anthony Scotland Rd. Tuesday 30th

EYE-WITNESS: STORIES FROM ISRAEL AND THE WEST BANK,
Hear from three 'ecumenical volunteers' who have spent time in Palestine observing the effects of the Israeli occupation on Thursday 20th June at the Quaker Meeting House, School Lane, L1 3BT. Free entrance.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Junior school children are invited to be part of the Children's Liturgy of the Word. We need you adults to volunteer! THANK YOU.

MONEY MATTERS

Don't be alone with debt!

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

PARISH PEACE VIGIL

Wave a flag for peace on Wednesday, 26th June, 4.30 - 5.30pm, outside Sacred Heart Church or sit inside church to pray for peace.

GAZA PEACE MARCH for a ceasefire and an end to genocide on Sunday, 16th June, 2.00pm. Gather at the Catholic Cathedral then march to Derby Square.

UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

BAPTISM SESSIONS Mondays 24th June 7.30pm in St. Michael's Parish Rooms. If you would like your child to be baptised please ask Father for a Baptism Request Form after Mass.

KENSINGTON MINISTERS Monday 17th June 2.00pm Sacred Heart.

ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL COMMUNION CELEBRATION MASS

Wednesday 19th June 9.30 am at St Michael's Church.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS Wednesday 19th June 7.30pm.

PAX CHRISTI RETREAT Saturday 29th June 10.30am Irenaeus Centre.

PAX CHRISTI

A Day retreat on 'Nonviolence: The Way forward for Christians' on Saturday, 29th June '24, 10.30am - 4.00pm at the Irenaeus Centre, 22, Great Georges Rd. Waterloo L22 1RD. Suggested donation £10 (simple lunch provided)
Contact: sheilacogley@yahoo.co.uk

CONFIRMATION

Candidates who have prepared ask for your prayers. The Sacrament will be conferred on Wednesday 26th June at St Anthony's Church at 6.30pm.

BAPTISM

Please keep our families who have prepared for baptism. Esther has been baptised. Jude will be baptised in July. Three other families are attending preparation meetings.

1st COMUNION 2025

The children in Year 3 and above along with their parents are invited to register for the next Preparation Programme, called 'WITH YOU ALWAYS'. To be part of the preparation, your family should pick up a Registration Form when you visit Church for Mass. Parents and their little ones are welcome to be present and be part of the Parish Community, Saturday evening 6.30pm Sacred Heart Or Sunday morning 10.30am. We look forward to your company.