#### PEACE THOUGHTS CATHOLICS & THE GENERAL ELECTION

On Thursday, the UK will go to the polls and, as citizens, we will have the opportunity to participate in a great democratic process, as important decisions that will affect us for years to come, will be made on issues like poverty and deprivation, the NHS and climate change. Taking part in a democracy is a privilege and a responsibility, so let us be guided by a love for our neighbours, near and far, and seek the 'common good' which truly benefits all; that includes justice for the oppressed, protection for the persecuted, and a commitment to combat climate change; that also includes a just economic system, open and encouraging to aspiration and ambition, and is supportive of those who struggle. So, let us be filled with hope and call on Christ, our ever-present guardian and the final judge in our nation and in our politics.

#### AN ELECTION PRAYER

#### Lord Jesus,

we seek your wisdom and guidance as we face a choice. Inspire us as we wrestle to address the questions and challenges of our times. May your wisdom and vision guide us as we vote for those who will be elected as our representatives. May our vote care for the weakest and the most needy. Help us to vote with compassion and for the common good so that all people may live life to the full. Amen.

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# 29th 30th June Feast of Saints Peter and Paul Yr B p.172

Monday 9.00am Sacred Heart Tuesday 9.30am St Michael Tuesday 2.00pm Communion Celebration Mass Sacred Heart Wednesday 12 noon Sacred Heart Thursday 7.00pm St Michael

> Saturday 6.30pm Mass Sacred Heart Sunday 10.30am Mass St Michael

# GOSPEL THOUGHTS

The most influential people in our lives are our parents. As we grow up, friends beyond the family become another example. Popstars and football heroes can become inspirational. They all cause change in our personality.

Jesus was a companion of Peter and his teacher; they spent three years together and then decades after the Resurrection.

Paul did not know Jesus until after the Resurrection! The Risen Jesus was influential and a cause of change on both of them.

Both knew that their lives were to be spent bringing the hope of the Resurrection to all the nations and in all ages. GOD LOVES EVERYONE.



#### REMEMBERED ...during Mass

Alice Obeseki, Joan Sweeney, Francis Slater, Maureen McMahan, Jimmy Loughran, and all our family and friends who have gone before us.

## PASTORAL PLAN - DEANERY NEWS

<u>Our Deanery Synodal Council</u> looked at ways to discuss how we could bring parishes together for prayer, reflection and training. Let us start by planning a series Masses for peace during <u>July</u>. 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 Are you interested in working to prepare this series of events? Please ring 0151 263 6578

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

<u>Junior school children</u> are invited to be part of the Children's Liturgy of the Word. We need you, adults and parents, to volunteer! THANK YOU.

### RED BOXES

Boxes should be brought to church, please. Thank you for your generosity.

## PARISH PEACE VIGIL

Join our parish witness on Wednesday, 10th July, 4.30 – 5.30pm, outside Sacred Heart Church or sit quietly inside church to pray for peace.

## GAZA PEACE MARCH

Join the march for a ceasefire and an end to genocide on Sunday, 30th June, 2.00pm. Gather at the RC Cathedral then march to Derby Square.

# BAPTISM SESSIONS

If you would like your child to be baptised please ask Father for a Baptism Request Form after Mass. Next preparation sessions will be starting soon.

# UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

<u>COMMUNION CELEBRATION MASS</u> 2.00pm Tuesday Sacred Heart <u>NEWSHAM COUNCIL OF CHURCHES</u> 7pm Tues 2nd July St Margaret's

FAITH IN ACTION 5pm Wednesday 3rd July St Michael's SVP 7.30pm Wednesday 3rd July St Anne's Church Overbury St PARISH FORUM Wednesday 10th St Michael's PARISH PEACE MASS Thursday 11th July 7pm St Michael's PAX CHRISTI THURSDAY 11th July 2pm St Michael's WYA INTRODUCTORY MEETING Tuesday 16th July 5.30pm at Sacred Heart Church - for details see below PEACE MASS Tuesday 16th July 7pm St John's SVP 7.30pm Wednesday 17th July PEACE MASS Saturday 20th July 12noon SFX PEACE MASS Thursday 25th July 7pm All Saints

## CONFIRMATION

Archbishop McMahon confirmed a number of young people and adults, encouraging everyone to be strong in their faith and love for the rest of their lives. Congratulations to Vivien and Ofure.

## 1st COMMUNION 2025

The children who are baptised Catholic in Year 3 and above along with their parents are invited to register for the next Preparation Programme, called 'WITH YOU ALWAYS'.

## The closing date for registering is Monday 15th of July

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.

# 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!