

## PEACE THOUGHTS

### **OCTOBER IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

Let these wise words challenge our own hearts and prejudices.

'One either allows racial inequities to persevere, as a racist,  
or confronts racial inequities, as an antiracist.

There is no in-between safe space of 'not racist.'

Ibram X. Kendi, author, historian, and anti-racism activist.

If you can only be tall because someone else is on their knees,  
then you have a serious problem..... and some white people have a  
very, very serious problem..... There is no such thing as race. None.

There is just a human race - scientifically, anthropologically.

Racism is a construct, a social construct...

and has a social function - racism.

Toni Morrison

We say, 'Black Lives Matter!' We've never said, 'Only Black Lives Matter!'

We know all lives matter. We just need your help with #Black Lives

Matter, for black lives are in danger! Equal rights for others,

does not mean less rights for you.... It's not pie!!

Black Lives Matter Movement

It is not our differences that divide us: it is our inability  
to recognize, accept and celebrate those differences.

Audre Lorde

### TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

#### TUESDAY 9.00pm BBC2: LIFE & DEATH IN GAZA

Documentary chronicling the remarkable experiences of four  
Palestinians, highlighting their resilience, loss and hope in the  
ongoing Israel/Gaza war.

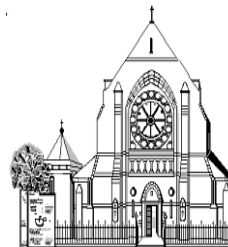
#### TUESDAY 10.30pm BBC 4: NAVALNY

Explores how his thirst for justice and righteousness cost Russian  
opposition leader, lawyer, anti-corruption activist and political prisoner  
of conscience, Alexei Navalny, his life.

#### THURSDAY 8.30pm ITV1: SMARTPHONES: TIME TO LIVE WITHOUT THEM?

What is the increasing evidence of the potential damage that access to  
the internet is having on young people and what can we do about it?

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

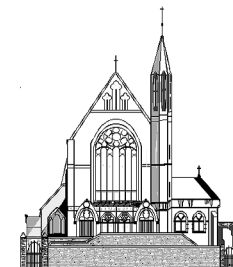
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### 12th/13th October 28th SUNDAY Yr. B

**Monday 9.00am Mass Sacred Heart**

**Tuesday 9.30am Mass St Michael**

**Wednesday 12:00 noon Mass Sacred Heart**

**Thursday 7.00pm Mass St Michael**

**Saturday 6.30pm Mass Sacred Heart**

**Sunday 10.30am Mass St Michael**

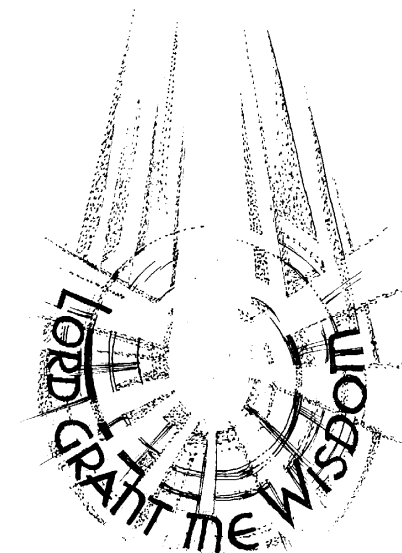
### GOSPEL THOUGHTS Mark 10: 17-30

Rules, rules, rules at home,  
in school, on the road. They are  
essential if we are to stay safe  
and not harm other people. We  
are good people if we keep all  
the rules.

Jesus had problems with  
people who kept all the rules  
but did not remember that the  
rules were about us looking  
after other people .

When a good man, who was  
correct and kept all the rules,  
approached Him, Jesus loved  
him and wanted to save him from his exactness.  
The young man was invited to Jesus' own lifestyle;  
to share all he had with those in need.

**"The money that you hoard up belongs to the poor" St Basil**



### REMEMBERED ...during Mass

Thomas Mather, Barbara Tickner, Karen Reason  
Patrick Doran, Austin Hunt  
and all our family and friends who have gone before us.

### DEANERY NEWS - DEANERY SYNODAL COUNCIL

The DSC met to discuss plans for the future - in particular, how our Family of Parishes can work together and best use our resources to carry out Jesus' mission in this part of the archdiocese. The DSC is to send a question or comment to the ASC (Archdiocesan Synodal Council) - which will meet in November. Any thoughts/comments, please share them with our parish representative, Ann O'Connell, or with Fr. Fitz.

### SVP

The SVP is an important part of parish outreach. If you would like to offer your time to visit, with another person, the more vulnerable members of our community, then please be in touch with Fr. Fitz. There is also a monthly collection for the work of the SVP; the first Sunday of the month - this weekend.

### 'READERS' TRAINING

The Archdiocese is offering practical reader training with prayer and reflection on:  
**Saturday, 19th October, 10.00am - 1.00pm**  
**at Irenaeus, Waterloo, L22 1RD**  
Lunch after the sessions. Please bring your own packed lunch.  
**If interested, please see Fr. Fitz.**

### 50 FACES OF THE HOLY LAND PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION

31st October - 12th November, 8.30am-1.30pm each day  
at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Hedgefield Rd, Gateacre, L25 2RW, who are hosting a photographic and audio exhibition about the lives of people of all ages and experiences in Israel, Gaza and the Occupied Territories. Discover the real lives of the people in the region with their history, diversity, their joys and their suffering and light a candle for peace.

### PEACE MARCH

Do join those marching for a ceasefire and peace in the Middle East on **Sunday, 13th October at 2.00pm** as they gather at the RC Cathedral, then march to Derby Square where there will be speakers.

### UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

**SVP Meeting** - 16th October, 7.30pm.

**Newsham Council of Churches** 15th Oct,  
7.30pm, St. Margaret's.

### FIRST COMMUNION 2025

The children in Year 4 and above, along with their parents, have begun the 'With You Always' Preparation Programme. Last weekend, our youngsters were presented to the parish community. They will continue their preparation this coming week, **TUESDAY, 15TH OCT, 5.30PM AT ST. MICHAEL'S IRISH CENTRE**, when they will explore the theme of Reconciliation before celebrating the sacrament later in November. Please remember the families in your prayers.

### CAFOD HARVEST FAST

This weekend, we will hear about CAFOD's Harvest Fast Day Appeal. Please consider forgoing a meal or treat and offering the money you would have spent on it to support the work of CAFOD (the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development). CAFOD envelopes were distributed last weekend (spares at the back of church). Please give what you can, and return your offering over the next couple of weeks. THANK YOU. Do find out more about CAFOD's work at [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk)

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

**KS1 and KS2 school children** are invited to be part of the Children's Liturgy of the Word. We need you - adults and parents, to volunteer! Please speak to one of the catechists or come in on Sunday **AND SEE WHAT WE DO**. It is very rewarding and worthwhile.

### LAST WEEK'S FORUM MEETING

Members of the parish meet with the Parish priest. After a reflection the agenda dealt with various elements of our life together that needed decisions and actions. Our parish is a community that takes responsibility for each other and the district in which we live. Please consider joining us. Your 'life experience' as well as your faith is valuable.