PEACE THOUGHTS

During this past week, Baku, Azerbaijan hosted the COP29 Climate Conference to deliberate and advance solutions to the most defining issue of our time - climate change. With none of the G20 countries reaching their climate goals and the top polluting nations absent from the conference, including the USA, which currently emits 25% of all human-produced carbon, the future of earth's climate looks grim!

Yet, each one of us is responsible for the world we will leave to our children, So, let us take responsibility as we pray for the courage to play our part.

Loving God,

we praise your name for all you have created.

You are present in the vast universe, and in the smallest of creatures.

We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed up on us
as stewards of your creation.

May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders after COP29 to seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable and just society.

Instil in them and all of us, the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the poorest and most vulnerable and commit our nations to the care of our common home.

We ask this in your name, Lord of all creation.

Amen.

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TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

<u>SUNDAY 9.00pm BBC4: 1984: THE READ WITH SACHA DHAWAN</u>
A reading of the dystopian classic, which sees, Winston Smith try to rebel against the totalitarian state in which he lives and works. Followed by a film adaptation of George Orwell's ominous story.

WEDNESDAY 9.00pm BBC2: BRITAIN'S NUCLEAR BOMB SCANDAL Investigates the devastating effects of the UK's post-war nuclear tests still being experienced by Australian and indigenous South Pacific communities.

WEDNESDAY 10.40pm BBC1: YOUNG, BRITISH & ANTI-ABORTION Explores the growing resistance to abortion from 'Generation Z', which is galvanising the UK anti-abortion movement.

FRIDAY 7.00pm C4: UNREPORTED WORLD: THE GREAT LAND GRAB With 1% of Brazil's population owning half the land, what becomes of the poor majority of the population? This report tracks down activists who are taking land from the rich to give to the poor!

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16th/17th November 33rd SUNDAY Yr.B P.157

Monday 9.00am Sacred Heart
Tuesday 9.30am Mass St Michael
Wednesday 12noon Sacred Heart
Thursday 7.00pm St Michael
Friday 12noon Funeral Sacred Heart Damon Franey

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

GOSPEL THOUGHTS Mark 13: 24-32

Their uncle was leaving Liverpool but promised his nieces he would come back and visit when he could. A train station is often full of a crowd straining to see the arrival of expected visitors. After our parents have died, we are left aching to see them again.

Jesus warns all those who trust him, his friends, that all that they see will not last. He tells them that he will be taken from them but he will be there when everything else has ended.



Not understanding all that he was talking about, they did understand that they would experience him going away and that he would return.

After admiring the massive stones that made up the walls of the temple (Chap 13 v.1) is it possible that when all temporary things come to an end that the everlasting God, Our Father, will be clearly seen?

REMEMBERED ...during Mass

Damon Francy, Christopher Kinsella, Bernard Jackson, Frank Rimmer, John Thompson, Robert Evans

Throughout November we remember all our family and friends who have gone before us.

DEANERY NEWS - DEANERY SYNODAL COUNCIL

The DSC meets to discuss plans for the future. The DSC is to send a guestion or comment to the ASC (Archdiocesan Synodal Council) which will meet in November. Any thoughts/comments, please share them with our parish representative, The DSC met last Tuesday, 12th November.

PEACE MARCH

Do join those marching for a ceasefire and peace in the Middle East on Sunday, 17th November at 2.00pm as they gather at the RC Cathedral, then march to Derby Square where there will be speakers.

ASSISTED DYING IN THE UK

MPs are preparing to vote, before Christmas, on a Bill that, if passed, will legalise assisted suicide. Our bishops are asking us to contact our MPs to voice our opposition to that Bill. Please contact your MP via the Right to Life UK website at www.righttolife.org.uk/ASthreat

The letter is already written - you just read, click and send.

THE POVERTY OF HOMELESSNESS

On Wednesday, 20th November there will be an afternoon of reflection led by the Whitechapel Centre at the Irenaeus Centre, L22 1RD. Mass 12 noon; soup and a roll 12.40pm, and sharing at 1.15pm.

'EVERY PENNY COUNTS'

Kensington Fields Community Association are offering free advice on benefits, minimum wage, sick pay and holiday leave. Drop-ins are on Tuesdays 10.30 -12.30. Contact: 0151 708 9107

UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

Liturgy Meeting, Monday 18th November 2024 at 7.00pm

First Reconciliation Service - Tuesday 19th November, 5.30 pm, Sacred Heart

Prisoners of Conscience Cards Horne Street, Wednesday, 20 November at 7.00pm

Remembrance Mass Thursday, 28th November, 7.00pm, St. Michael's

ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

On Thursday, 28th November at 7.00pm, we invite all those who have lost loved ones this year to our annual Mass of Remembrance in St. Michael's Church to pray together and be reassured that 'in death, life' is changed, not ended.'

FIRST COMMUNION 2025

The children have completed the first two WYA sessions. On Tuesday, 19th November at 5.30pm in Sacred Heart Church, they will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please keep these families in your prayers.

PAX CHRISTI

The official peace group of the Catholic Church, Pax Christi, meets again at 2.00pm December 12th in the Parish Rooms, Horne St.

FAITH/JUSTICE IN ACTION GROUP

Next meeting is

Wednesday, 20th November at 6.00pm in St. Michael's Please join us to explore ways we might faithfully respond to some of the local and international issues that concern us. You are always welcome!

PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE CHRISTMAS CARDS

Every Advent, parishioners send Christmas cards to prisoners of conscience - those imprisoned for speaking out for dignity and justice or who have been wrongly accused. On Wednesday, 20th November at 7.00pm in St. Michael's we warmly invite you to an evening to find out about and pray for the prisoners, then to address the cards we will send.

Christmas refreshments on the night! Please join us!