

## PEACE THOUGHTS

We can see others with the eyes of compassion,  
or with the eyes of utility.

We can indeed live in different worlds depending  
on which eyes we use to see our world with.

When we see with the eyes of utility,  
we gauge others by their usefulness to us,  
but with the eyes of compassion, we see only one thing.

We see that other people's happiness and suffering  
are as real to them as our own are to us.

We see that others want and seek happiness; they want to be free  
from suffering and injustice. As we live in this world,  
may we see our brothers and sisters with the eyes of compassion  
and may our compassion lead us to solidarity with them and all who suffer.

**Bodhipaska (Buddhist Teacher)**

The trouble is that once you see it, (injustice and suffering)  
you can't unsee it. And once you've seen it, keeping quiet,  
saying nothing, becomes as political an act as speaking out.  
There's no innocence. Either way, you're accountable!

**Arundhati Roy**

Judging others makes us blind, whereas love is illuminating.  
By judging others, we blind ourselves to our own evil  
and to the grace which others are just as entitled to as we are.

**Dietrich Bonhoeffer**

## TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

### SUNDAY 10.15pm ITV1: INSIDE SAUDI ARABIA

A female journalist goes undercover to investigate what life is really like  
in Saudi Arabia under the increasingly autocratic rule of the Crown Prince.

### WED & THURS 9.00pm ITV1: WE CAN END HOMELESSNESS

Follows the launch of 'Homeward', Prince William's ambitious 5-year project  
to show that it is possible to end homelessness across the UK.

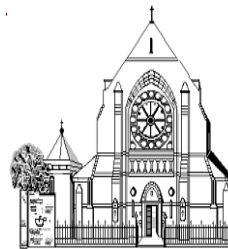
### THURSDAY 8.00pm ITV1: THE MONEY SHOW: BUDGET SPECIAL

Martin Lewis helps us navigate the complexities of the post-budget financial  
climate and explores what it will mean for our personal finances.

### FRIDAY 11.05pm BBC2: TESTAMENT OF YOUTH

Moving biopic of the activist and writer Vera Brittain, about the aspirations  
of youth and the grim reality of WWI - a journey that led her to pacifism.

Registered Charity **232709**



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

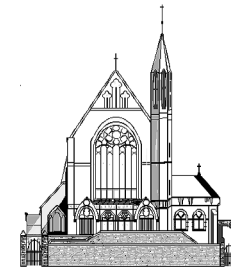
**Fr. James Nugent Pastoral Area**

St Michael's Church, Horne St, L6 5EH

Sacred Heart Church, Low Hill, L7 8TN

Tel: 0151 263 6578

Confessions: Saturday 12noon St Michael's



26th/27th October 30th SUNDAY Yr.B P.149

**Monday 12.00 noon Funeral Bryan Seddon St Michael**

**Tuesday 9.30am Mass St Michael**

**Saturday 6.30pm Mass Sacred Heart**

**Sunday 10.30am Mass St Michael**

## GOSPEL THOUGHTS Mark 10: 46-52

**LORD  
THAT I  
MAY SEE!**



With your eyes  
shut can you see  
any colours?  
Blind- folded,  
you bump into  
furniture and  
collect bruises.

Jumping to conclusions is like acting in the dark.

In Jesus time, illness was a sign of wrong-doing,  
to be born blind meant that the whole family was sinful.  
Jesus comes among the sinful, the blind and the lame,  
those in need, to lead them to water and a smooth path.

To have no compassion for the sinner is to be blind  
to Christ's way of doing things. Maybe we are blind to  
our own need of healing and change. To be Christian, we  
are invited to arrive where people need support.

### REMEMBERED ...during Mass

Damon Franey, James Spelman, Brenda Clew  
Robert Evans, Bryan Seddon, Monis Joseph  
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.

### 'SOWING A SEED'

An evening of reflection and sharing for catechists and anyone interested in sharing their faith with children.

**Wednesday 6th November, 6.30pm at St. Michael's Church**

### 50 FACES OF THE HOLY LAND PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION

**31st October - 12th November, 8.30am-1.30pm daily** at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Hedgefield Rd, Gateacre, L25 2RW - a photographic and audio exhibition about the lives and experiences of people in Israel, Gaza and the Occupied Territories. There will also be an Ecumenical Service for Peace in the Holy Land on 6th November. 7pm. At the same venue.

### PARISH PEACE VIGIL

**TUESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 4.30-5.30PM, SACRED HEART**

A year on from the October 7th attack on the Israel-Gaza border, the wanton destruction in Gaza, Lebanon and the West Bank, not to mention wars in Ukraine and Sudan, we invite you to join our public witness for peace -to say **NO TO WAR** as a solution to conflict.

Quiet reflection and prayer inside church, if you prefer.

Please join us!

### 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](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/ASthreat)

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

### UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

Parish Peace Vigil - Tuesday, 29th October, 4.30-5.30pm, Sacred Heart.

SVP Meeting - Wednesday 30th October, 7.30pm.

Catechists' Evening - Wednesday, 6th November, 6.30 pm, St Michael's.

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

### FIRST COMMUNION 2025

The children in Year 4 and above, along with their parents, have begun the 'With You Always' Preparation Programme. They have now been presented to the parish and completed the first two sessions. On the 19th November they will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please keep these families in your prayers.

### COME & SEE DAY AT IRENAEUS

**Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 10.00 - 4.00pm at Irenaeus, L22 1RD**

Dr. Pat Jones invites us to find out more about 'The Wonders of Vatican II', and its implications for our Church today. If you're interested, please let Fr. Fitz know. Lifts are available.

### CAFOD HARVEST FAST

There's still time to donate to CAFOD's Harvest Fast Appeal.

CAFOD is the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development.

Please give what you can. THANK YOU.

Spare envelopes are at the back of church.

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.

### PARISH FORUM MEETING

Members of the parish met 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.