PEACE THOUGHTS

'Once again, brothers and sisters, I renew my invitation to pray for people who suffer the horror of war in Ukraine and the Holy Land, as well as in other parts of the world.' Pope Francis

O God of all, our hearts are broken into pieces at the suffering and murder of your people. Our voices cry for peace and for justice. Comfort those who grieve, console and heal the injured; be close to those in fear, restrain those who perpetrate violence. Send us your wisdom in all that we say and do, that our voice may always seek justice, peace and security for all. You. Lord, are the source of all hope, send your Spirit to bring about a future, where neighbours embrace despite their differences, where love conquers hate, humility surpasses pride, and where forgiveness is treasured as a fundamental strength. May the hope of a day when weapons of conflict will be transformed into tools of reconciliation be realised soon, so there will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things will have passed away. Amen

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

MONDAY 8.00pm BBC1: FIXING THE NHS: WHAT WILL IT TAKE?

Successive governments have promised to repair the NHS. This report examines whether Labour's plans will succeed.

TUESDAY 11.05pm BBC2: SELMA

Drama based on the true story of the civil rights marches led by Dr. Martin Luther King that helped transform the face of the USA.

THURSDAY 8.30pm ITV1: BATTLE OF THE BINS

Examines how reduced bin collections will impact our health and our cities.

THURSDAY 9.00pm ITV1: BRIANNA: A MOTHER'S STORY

After the brutal murder of Brianna Ghey, her mother Esther discusses her daughter's life and how the tragedy has driven her campaign to reduce youth violence.

FRIDAY 7.30pm C4: UNREPORTED WORLD: FRANCE'S FAR-RIGHT FEMINISTS

Investigates the growing support the far-right party, National Rally, is receiving from female students and activists.

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MASS TIMES

Monday 9.00am Sacred Heart Tuesday 9.30am St Michael's Wednesday 12noon Sacred Heart Thursday 7.00pm St Michael's Friday 12noon Funeral Sheila Clisham Sacred Heart

> Saturday 6.30pm Sacred Heart Sunday 10.30am St Michael's

GOSPEL THOUGHTS Luke 13:1-9

"How many times do I have to tell you?" Parents and those in authority usually have to say this as often as we are slow to learn.

Moses was slow to learn. God, full of compassion, has to repeat the instructions, sending him more than once to rescue those in trouble. St Paul repeats these instructions hundreds of years later.

Jesus is God telling us that God is passionate and will never give up on us. The whole of humanity is in trouble, not bearing fruit. Our Creator comes like the man who



looks after the vineyard to repeat God's compassion, to give us all another chance. "How many times do I have to tell you?" God wants what is best for us all; the whole of humanity.

REMEMBEREDduring Mass

Sheila Clisham, Margaret Meaney, Tony Stringfellow, The Mosse family, Henry Pownall, Hannah McMahon, .

Please keep these families in your prayers.

GAZA PEACE MARCH

As Israel breaks the Gaza ceasefire and is escalating violence in the West Bank, please will you join those calling for peace with justice for all in Palestine and for an end to Israel's occupation on.

Sunday, 23th March at 2.00pm, starting at the RC Cathedral and ending at Derby Square where there will be speakers. All are welcome.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent. The next one is Friday, 28th March at 6.30pm.

DEANERY SYNODAL COUNCIL (DSC)

The Deanery Synodal Council with representatives from our Family of Parishes has planned the following together: DSC North Family of Parishes

Times of Stations of the Cross in each parish.

All Saints, Tuesdays at 7:00 pm Thursday, 20th March at 7.00pm St. John the Evangelist, Friday at 6:00 pm St. Michael's, Horne St, Friday at 6:30pm SFX, Saturday at 11:30 am St. Anthony's, Saturday at 10:00 am

JOURNEYING THROUGH LENT 2025

Exploring conversion and discerning in this Year of Hope with the Sisters of St. Mary of Namur at 55, Swanside Road, L14 7NJ. Wednesdays, 26th & 2nd & 9th April, 2 - 3.30pm. Find out more from Sister Bridget - 0151- 228 3970.

NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Envelopes are ready to be picked up from the back of church. The new envelopes start w.e 5th and 6th April.

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

UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

Faith/Justice in Action Group Meeting - Tuesday, 25th March, 5pm at St. Michael's.

Family Masses - w.e. 29th/30th March 6.30pm at Sacred Heart & 10.30pm at St. Michael's.

CONFIRMATIONS 2025

Now that registration has ended, the Archdiocese is organising next steps. Look out for news here and at school. If anyone missed the deadline, please see Fr. Fitz.

FAITH/JUSTICE IN ACTION GROUP MEETING

How might we respond to the injustices we see in our changing world? Please join us to explore what we could do together at our next meeting on: Tuesday, 25th March, 5.00pm at St. Michael's, when we will make plans for prayer and action. You are most welcome!

PILGRIMS OF HOPE JUBILEE

Pope Francis has declared 2025 as a Holy Year of Jubilee for the Catholic Church, an event that takes place once every 25 years and offers the faithful an opportunity to renew their relationship with God, with each other, and with all of creation. More info. soon on how we can get involved.

CAFOD LENT APPEAL

CAFOD Family Fast Day was Friday, 14th March. By praying, eating simply and giving, you can, through CAFOD, support people like, Lokho, a mum in Kenya, who is trying to feed her family against all the odds. CAFOD provides simple, effective solutions to the toughest problems facing people around the world, at a time of huge uncertainty. Please collect a CAFOD envelope as you leave church, and, if you are able, make a Lenten offering to support CAFOD's work. Thank you!

Visit www.cafod.org.uk to find out more about this year's appeal.

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE NHS

You are invited to take part in OUR FUTURE HEALTH, the U.K's largest ever health research programme. If you take part, you will have the chance to find out more about your health now, and the risk of developing some diseases in the future. For further information call 08085015634 or Email: www.supportourfuturehealth.org.uk

> DON'T FORGET! CLOCKS GO FORWARD NEXT SUNDAY MORNING