

PEACE THOUGHTS

Are we so deaf that we do not hear a loving God warning us that humanity is in danger of committing suicide?
Are we so selfish that we do not hear our just God demanding that we do all we can to stop injustice from suffocating the world and driving it to war?

Are we so alienated that we can worship God at our ease in luxurious temples, which are often empty in spite of all their liturgical pomp, and fail to see, hear, and serve where God is actually present and where God requires our presence, among human beings, the poor, the oppressed, the victims of injustices in which we ourselves are often involved?

It is not difficult to hear God's call today in the world about us. What is difficult, is to do more than just offer an emotional response, sorrow, and regret. It is even more difficult to give up our comfort, break with old habits, let ourselves be moved by grace and change our life and be converted.

Dom Helder Camara - The Desert Is Fertile

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

MONDAY 11.25pm BBC1: HOLY COMMUNION

Follows four Catholic families as they prepare for their children's first Holy Communion.

WEDNESDAY 11.00pm BBC2: LEBANON'S DEADLIEST ATTACK

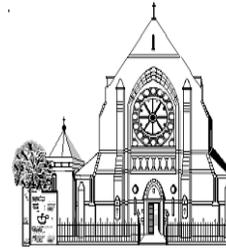
Investigates an Israeli airstrike on a residential block in Lebanon that killed 73 people.

THURSDAY 10.00pm C4: LOVE MY FACE

Sensitive documentary that raises questions about the value we place on appearance and what others think.

FRIDAY 7.30pm C4: UNREPORTED WORLD: IN GAZA

A look at how, in Gaza, young people are continuing to marry amid the chaos. This report follows two couples trying to live and make plans for their future in al-Mawasi in southern Gaza.



THE PARISH OF ST MICHAEL AND SACRED HEART

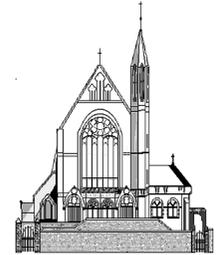
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Confessions: Saturday 12noon St Michael's



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MASS TIMES

Monday 9.00am Sacred Heart

Tuesday 9.30am St Michael's

Wednesday 12noon Sacred Heart

Thursday 8.00pm St Michael's

Friday 3.00pm Sacred Heart

Saturday 11.00pm St Michael's

Sunday 10.30am St Michael's

GOSPEL THOUGHTS: Luke 19:28-40; Luke 22:14-23:56



Mums, teachers and nurses just get on with the job. Persistently unnoticed and taken for granted, they are a power for goodness. They are the power that is most like God; perhaps the very presence of God. Loving and forgiving couples are a sacrament - living and active signs of God's love.

This week, we celebrate the very nature of God. God, 'who was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be' is constantly with us. What kind of power is it that is persistently, lovingly present? God is seen refusing advantage, and becomes a servant, washing his friends feet. Humbler yet, God, in Jesus, becomes victim to our brutal way of blaming and punishing. We are all washed clean in baptism and called to imitate his humble action; bringing new life instead of death.

REMEMBERED ...during Mass

Carl Richardson, Maureen Henderson, Michael Knight,
Patrick Murphy, David Allen, Doreen Whieldon, Layla Allen

Please keep these families in your prayers.

WELCOME TO ARCHBISHOP ELECT JOHN SHERRINGTON

We offer a warm welcome to our new archbishop and ask God to help him in his new mission in the Liverpool Archdiocese. We keep him in our prayers and wish him all the best in his ministry.

MASSES FOR HOPE

The Deanery Synodal Council of our Family of Parishes has planned the following Masses on Thursdays at 7 pm.

24th April, St Anthony's (Scotland Road)
Hope for those struggling to make ends meet

1st May, St Michael's (Horne Street)
Hope for those in despair

8th May, Our Lady's (Eldon Street)
Hope for our children

15th May, St John's (Fountains Road)
Hope for those with poor mental health

22nd May, All Saints (Anfield)
Hope for our war-torn world

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, 13th April at 2.00pm,
starting at the RC Cathedral and ending at Derby Square
where there will be speakers. All are welcome.

CONFIRMATIONS 2025

NEXT STEPS!

Join the Animate team and special guests live for the Sacrament of Confirmation Online Preparation Sessions on Thursday 1st May and Thursday 15th May from 16.30-18.00 on the Animate Youth YouTube channel. No log in required.

ARCHDIOCESAN YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Meets fortnightly at Pauline Book Centre
(84 Church Street, Liverpool L1 3AY) at 18.30pm.

Refreshment provided. Anyone aged 18-35 is most welcome. The upcoming meeting will be on 29th April, and the theme will be 'Praying with St. Carlo Acutis'.
Contact m.mui@rcaol.org.uk for more info.

UPCOMING PARISH ACTIVITIES

Holy Week Peace Vigil - Tuesday 15th April 5.00pm, Sacred Heart

The Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday, 17th April 8.00pm, St Michael's

Good Friday Walk of Witness (from Methodist Church on Kensington, down Shiel Road to the Alive Believers' Church on Boaler Street), meet at 10.30 am

Good Friday Service, 18th April 3.00pm, Sacred Heart

Easter Vigil, Saturday 19th April, 11.00pm, St Michael's

Easter Sunday, Sunday 20th April, 10.30am. St Michael's

WYA - Tuesday, 29th April 5.30pm Irish Centre 1st Communion Programme

HOLY WEEK PEACE VIGIL

***'Our love is not to be just words or mere talk,
but something real and active.'* 1John 3: 18**

While wars rage across the world and our own nation grows rich from the sale of weaponry that fuel such wars, will you add your voice to the cry for hostilities to cease and for peace in our world? Join us

OUTSIDE SACRED HEART CHURCH, 5-6PM, TUESDAY, 15TH APRIL

or pray quietly in church for repentance and peace.

ASSISTED SUICIDE LEGISLATION

The important vote for all MPs on the assisted suicide legislation is likely to take place on 25th April. The charity, Right to Life UK, has a simple online mechanism to allow people to contact their MP to ask them to stop assisted suicide being rushed into law.

It can be accessed at: <https://righttolife.org.uk/asvote> or, use the post-card to send the same message to your MP by post. Other resources on opposing assisted suicide are available at: www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/

CAFOD LENT APPEAL

During Lent, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, invites us to support those across the world who face severe difficulties just to survive.

Please return your Lenten offerings in the envelope provided
THANK YOU!

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