

PEACE THOUGHTS

'We have made money our god and called it the good life.
We have trained our children to go for jobs that bring the quickest corporate advancements at the highest financial levels.
We have taught them careerism, but not ministry, and wonder why ministers are going out of fashion.
We fear coddling the poor with food stamps while we call tax breaks for the rich, business incentives.
We make human community the responsibility of government institutions, while homelessness, hunger, and drugs seep from the centres of our cities like poison from open sores for which we do not seek either the cause or the cure. We have created a bare and sterile world of strangers where exploitation is a necessary virtue.
We have reduced life to the lowest of values so that the people who have much will not face the prospect of having less!'
*So, who is called to proclaim truth to this, our self-centred generation, to the society we have created?
The answer is easy: WE ALL ARE!
It is our task, as individuals, as intentional groups, wherever we are on the social spectrum, to cry out and do something to redeem our battered, beaten world from the greed, the egregious elitism and war-mongering that smothers it;
to seed the present with what God wants, so that others may, some day, reap the best of what we sowed.
This world waits for you and me!*

Sr. Joan Chittister OSB

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

MONDAY 10.00pm BBC2: WHAT THEY FOUND

On the 80th anniversary of the liberation of the Nazi concentration camps, footage taken by two army photographers reveals the horrors they found.

TUESDAY 7.00pm CHANNEL 5: ARE YOU AUTISTIC?

An NHS GP learns more about autism to better support her patients and meets scientists whose work is transforming understanding of the condition.

TUESDAY 10.00pm BBC4: JOSEPHINE BAKER: FIRST BLACK SUPERSTAR

Portrait of the African-American singer who refused to perform to segregated audiences.

THURSDAY 8.30pm ITV1: ARE TAKEAWAYS TAKING OVER?

While many high street businesses are struggling, takeaways are thriving. What are the implications for our high streets and for our nation's health?

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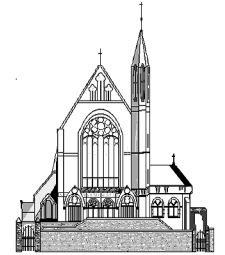
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Confessions: Saturday 12noon St Michael's



5th & 6th April 2025 5th Sunday of Lent Year C P82

MASS TIMES

Monday 9.00am Sacred Heart

Tuesday 9.30am St Michael's

Wednesday 12noon Sacred Heart

Thursday 7.00pm St Michael's

Saturday 6.30pm Sacred Heart

Sunday 10.30am St Michael's

GOSPEL THOUGHTS

The lights went out at Heathrow Airport. Passengers were stranded in the U.K. and other places across the world. Faster than a solution, lots of energy was spent searching out who's fault it was.

Having some one to blame continues to fascinate us. At home and down the street, we group together against the one who annoys us.

Jesus teaches us about a loving Father. The authorities that teach the Law of Moses know right from wrong. They create a situation that confronts their correctness with Jesus version of a loving God. The authorities judge the situation with the Law. Jesus considers, and then, without arguing, asks his own question that comes from his knowledge of God. He reveals the God who only loves and creates. Not derailed, Jesus continues to teach. Instead of blaming, he creates space for thinking and creates a new opportunity.

He does not want us to live in the past, but calls us forward to new life and reconciliation.



REMEMBERED ...during Mass

Vincent Fedigan, Sheila Clisham, The Mosses family,
David Allen, Doreen Whieldon

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, 6th April 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, 11th April 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

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 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

Pax Christi - Meets Thursday, April 10th, 2pm in St Michael's Parish Rooms.

Stations of the Cross - Friday, 11th April at 6.30pm., 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 postcard 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.

EXPLORING RACIAL JUSTICE IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

Saturday 12th April 9:30AM - 12:30PM

at St Margaret Clitheroe Centre, Croxteth Drive, L17 1AA

A half-day conference with Archbishop Malcolm to explore ways in which we can promote racial justice in our Archdiocese. All are welcome.

For catering purposes, please book a place by ringing:
The Catholic Association for Racial Justice on: 07742 578 079