

PEACE THOUGHTS

As a longed-for ceasefire agreement has been achieved in the Israel/ Gaza war, Thomas Merton's words invite us to reflect on the power of true peace-making:

'Peace-making doesn't mean passivity.

It is the act of interrupting injustice without mirroring injustice, the act of disarming evil without destroying the evil doer, the art of finding a third way that is neither fight nor flight, but the careful, arduous pursuit of reconciliation and justice.

It is about a revolution of love that is big enough to set the oppressed and the oppressors free.'

Let us pray that this fragile first step, which gives so much hope, will hold, and lead to true justice, healing and lasting peace.

God of our longing, remember all who wait and hope for peace. Hear our prayers and our lament for the suffering of our brothers and sisters in Palestine and Israel.

Give all a will to forgive, to reconcile, to make a just peace. Open ears, eyes and hearts and make a way toward true justice.

All merciful God, you dwell in all human hearts, heal these broken places where prophets preached, where Moses and Jesus and Muhammad kept faith with you.

Be a sure support for those who work toward reconciliation and make us all, however far away, steadfast in their cause.

Our Lady, Queen of Palestine and Queen of Peace, pray for us and for all who live in your 'holy' land. Amen.

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

Follow Aljazeera English online for challenging and insightful world news.

SUNDAY 10.15pm BBC4: MARTIN LUTHER KING: DAYS OF HOPE

Profile of Martin Luther King, champion of the US civil rights movement, reveals his discomfort with the praise and how he was often tormented by self-doubt.

MONDAY 8.00pm C4: 999 UNDERCOVER: NHS IN CRISIS

Shocking evidence from a 999 control room that reveals an overstretched system and asks whether the government is doing enough to fix the crisis.

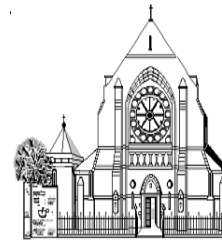
MONDAY 11.00pm BBC2: HARRIET

Drama about the life of Harriet Tubman who became a fearless activist and freedom fighter who helped free slaves on the underground Railroad.

TUESDAY 10.00pm BBC4: MR. NOBODY AGAINST PUTIN

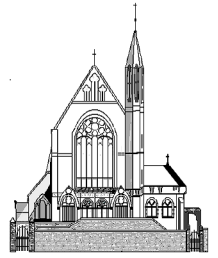
Reveals the shocking and increasing militarism of the Russian education system.

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11th & 12th October 2025 - 28th Sunday Year C. P86

MASS TIMES

Monday 9.00am Sacred Heart

Tuesday 9.30am St Michael's

Wednesday 12.00 noon Sacred Heart

Thursday 7.00pm St Michael's

Saturday 6.30pm Sacred Heart

Sunday 10.30am St Michael's

GOSPEL THOUGHTS: Luke 17: 11 - 19

Our life is filled with all that we need; water, electricity, laundered clothes, teachers and binmen. When did we last say 'thank you'? Sometimes we take people for granted.

To be taken for granted is the consequence of selfless service, and therefore often a sign of love and faithful concern. Do we acknowledge that breath, family, seasons and food are gifts given with a persistent love. Gratitude is an acknowledgement of the other person. The loving creator is silent, faithful and persistent. To know such generosity is to grow in awareness and wisdom. A 'thank you' would establish a wonderful friendship.



REMEMBERED...during Mass

Irene Campbell, Theresa Kelly, Norman King,
Janet Kinsella, Joyce Duffy, Gary Pratt

Please keep these families in your prayers.

LIVERPOOL PEACE MARCH

The weekly march through town for peace with justice for all
in Palestine/ Israel is on Sunday, 12th October at 2.00pm
starting at the RC Cathedral. All are welcome!

WYA 2026

With You Always, the programme for families who have registered a child
to make their First Holy Communion next year has started.
We had a very successful Treasure Hunt Session in Sacred Heart Church
last week, thank you to everyone who attended.
Last weekend, the children were presented to the parish
during masses, please keep them in your prayers.
Session 2 will be this Tuesday 14th October, 5.30pm at The Irish Centre.

SACRED HEART & ST MICHAEL'S ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2027-2028

As the admission authority for Sacred Heart & St Michael's Catholic Primary
Schools and Nurseries, the Governing Bodies wish to consult with you on our
admission arrangements for 2027-2028. This is because you may have an
interest in the proposed admissions. Consultation must last for a minimum of
6 weeks. The consultation period for this policy is from Monday 6th October
to Sunday 16th November 2025. We invite you to consider the policy
which can be found on the school's websites at:
<https://www.sacredheartliverpool.school/policies>

Any comments you may have can be sent to the following email address:
admin@sacredheart.liverpool.sch.uk or directly to the school
in an envelope marked Admissions Policy Consultation, for Sacred Heart.
For St Michael's [https://stmichaelscatholicprimary.co.uk/wp-content/
uploads/2025/10/St-Michaels-Admission-Policy-1.pdf](https://stmichaelscatholicprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/St-Michaels-Admission-Policy-1.pdf)

PRAYER VIGIL AND CONVERSATION

With Rev Ashraf Tannous, Lutheran pastor of Bethlehem
on **Saturday 18th October, 6pm** at Liverpool Parish Church (St Nicholas),
Old Church Yard L2 8TZ. Hosted by the Church Together
with Sabeel-Kairos and Hope University. All are welcome!

SVP

The SVP is an important part of parish outreach.
The collection is the first weekend of each month. You are very generous.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 14th October WYA Session 2, The Irish Centre,
Boundary Lane, 5.30pm

Monday 20th October Baptism Meeting 7.30pm St Michael's
Parish Rooms

Tuesday 28th October Synodal meeting, 6.30pm, at St. John's,
Kirkdale.

BAPTISM

If you would like your child to be baptised at St Michael's
or Sacred Heart Church, you can pick up a Baptism Registration Form
after both weekend masses. Please complete the form and return it
to mass the following weekend. After this, we will advise you
of the date for the next available Baptism Programme.

PARISH FORUM

The Parish Forum met last Wednesday in St. Michael's.
This meeting is important for the development of our parish,
for sharing ideas and making plans together. It is open to all.
Thanks to those who attended and made plans for the future of our parish.

SUPPORT FOR THE DIVORCED AND SEPARATED

The Restored Lives course runs over six weeks, one evening a week.
The talks cover key issues to help you to move on and highlight
the practical steps and tools to enable you to tackle the issues
that arise from separation and divorce.

For more information contact:
Maureen 07967 753471 or Jacqui 07938 25815.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY TRAINING DAY

The Irenaeus Centre will be leading a Eucharistic ministry training day
on Saturday, 25th October '25. If interested, please speak to Fr. Fitz.

CAFOD HARVEST APPEAL

Have you donated to CAFOD's Harvest Appeal yet?
If you haven't, it's not too late! You can do this by using the green envelope
at the back of church or online, if you prefer, at cafod.org.uk/envelope.

CUPPA AFTER MASS

Join us after mass in the Parish Room on Sunday mornings
for a cuppa, a biscuit and a chat.
All are welcome.