

PEACE THOUGHTS

Last week, Hamas released the remaining living Israeli captives while Israel released 2,000 Palestinian captives.

Over 9,100 Palestinians remain in Israeli prisons under torturous and horrific conditions; many of them detained without charge or trial. Before the war began, there were approximately 5,000 Palestinian prisoners held in Israeli jails, but this doubled, reaching over 11,000 by October 2025. Among those currently imprisoned are 52 women and around 400 children under the age of 18.

*Holy God, we come to you heartbroken
as we hear the stories of torture that prisoners suffer.
You alone know the extent of their wounds and suffering.*

*Lord, we cry out to you for justice,
echoing the words of the Psalmist:*

*"Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,
from the grasp of the unjust and cruel." (Psalm 71:4)
As we pray for the physical liberation of all captives,
we also ask you to liberate us from the systemic sins
of racism and hatred.*

Lord in your mercy...hear our prayer.

Our Lady, Queen of Palestine, pray for us.

Sabeel-Kairos

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

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and insightful world news.*

SUNDAY 10.20pm ITV1: STATE OF WAR: FIGHTING THE NARCOS

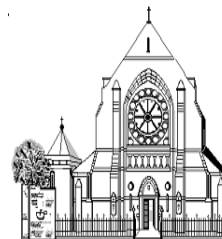
Documentary following a priest, a hard-line governor and a grieving father as it explores how Ecuador, once one of Latin America's most peaceful nations, has been torn apart by corruption drug cartels and conflict.

MONDAY 8.00pm BBC1: KING OF JORDAN & THE CHILDREN OF GAZA

Follows the King of Jordan as he negotiates the evacuation of very sick children from Gaza to hospitals in Jordan. In the wake of the fragile ceasefire, what does the future hold for Gaza and its children and is there now hope for wider peace in the region?

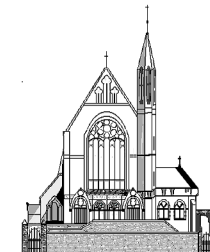
FRIDAY 7.30pm C4: UNREPORTED WORLD: GUNS & COCAINE: COLUMBIA

Report from Columbia about widowed mothers who are trying to stop their children being recruited by guerrillas and how they are assisting indigenous communities in the fight against drugs and corruption.



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25th & 26th October 2025 - 30th Sunday Year C P.89

MASS TIMES

HALF TERM BREAK

*Saturday 1st Nov 6.30pm Sacred Heart
Sunday 2nd Nov 10.30am St Michael's*

GOSPEL THOUGHTS: Luke 18: 9-14

Some of our moods leave us unable to learn anything. We know it all and don't need to change. Tiny toddlers, primary children and anxious teenagers, all on the journey towards maturity, think they know it all. As adults we are able to know we are changing and developing, eager to learn and grow confident. Learning all the time as parents and skilful workers.

Jesus' enemies were complacent, and boasted about themselves. Those who enjoyed His teaching and lifestyle were listeners who knew they had more to learn.

Let's know we are good, but need to change. We must grow more familiar with Jesus' teaching and life style.



REMEMBERED...during Mass

Irene Campbell, Janet Kinsella, Joyce Duffy,
Noel McKinney, Gerry Wharton, Des Power,

Please keep these families in your prayers.

LIVERPOOL PEACE MARCH

The weekly march through town for peace with justice and for an end to the occupation of Palestine is on Sunday, 26th October at 2.00pm starting at the RC Cathedral. All are welcome!

SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2027-2028

The Governing Bodies of our schools wish to consult with you on our admission arrangements for 2027-2028. 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 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>

Any comments to michaels-ao@st-michaels.liverpool.sch.uk

FAITH/JUSTICE IN ACTION GROUP

Wednesday 5th November '25 at 5.00pm in St. Michael's

We are a small group that meets to explore ways we might faithfully respond to local and international issues that concern us.

We focus on prayer, reflection and putting our faith into action.

Want to find out more, then join us at our next meeting! You are welcome!

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.

FUN QUIZ NIGHT

Micah Liverpool is hosting a fundraising quiz night on Friday, 14th November at St Bride's Church (L8 7LT). Doors open at 19:00 (19:30 start).

All proceeds to this social justice charity which does amazing work in our city. Find out about their work and enjoy a night of fun, trivia and healthy competition. Tickets £5 on the door or book via the website.

www.micahliverpool.com

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

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

Wednesday 5th November Faith/ Justice in Action Group 5pm St Michaels.

Monday 10th November Liturgy Group 7pm St Michaels

Tuesday 18th November WYA First Reconciliation Service, 5.30pm St. Michael's

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.

PAX CHRISTI MEETING

Second Thursday of the month at the Quaker Meeting House
November 12th 2025 2pm. All are welcome.

WHITE POPPIES FOR PEACE

Our parish has a long history of offering white poppies for sale each November. Please look out for them in the coming weeks.

The money supports the Peace Pledge Union.

ADOREMUS 2025

Saturday 8th November, 9.00am-5.00pm at the Metropolitan Cathedral

Spend some time in Eucharistic Adoration, at Mass, and in shared prayer, with workshops and opportunities for Confession throughout the day.

This year's theme is Ministry with workshops on the vocation of all, reading at mass, eucharistic ministry and catechesis. They are for those already involved or for those thinking of joining in.

All are invited to join this year's Adoremus.

ARCHDIOCESAN ADVENT RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Saturday 29 November 2025 at St Joseph's Prayer Centre, Formby, L37 1PH.
10:00 - 4.00pm. The day is free of charge, but please bring a packed lunch.

If you are aged 18-35 and interested to join, please book in at:

[https://forms.office.com/e/bcjQ3p5Db\)?origin=lprLink](https://forms.office.com/e/bcjQ3p5Db)?origin=lprLink)

or contact Moses at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk for more info.

CUPPA AFTER MASS

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