

PEACE THOUGHTS

Risen Jesus,
we confess that we too often close our ears to the cries of the poor;
that we pay more attention to the life-in-its-fullness promises
of advertisers and announcements of the rich and famous;
that we seek to be entertained and comforted and not disturbed
and challenged; that we would rather retreat into fantasy worlds
rather than engage with reality and this earth's suffering people.
We confess that we take our freedom of expression for granted and
loudly voice strong views and opinions about matters that are unimportant;
whilst at other times, we are afraid to speak out
when it might single us out, bring trouble or cause offence.
Meantime, our sisters and brothers across the world are silenced with bullets,
or are shut away in dark prisons for voicing opposition and calling for change -
for demanding that their basic human rights be respected.

*Risen Lord, open our ears to the cries of your people; open our hearts
to our neighbours, that we might love them as you taught us.
Help us to hear your voice through the babble of this busy world
where words are used to confuse, distract, manipulate,
sell illusion, and buy power; help us to be still and receptive
to your healing, encouraging and inspiring, life-giving Word.
Amen.*

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TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

For thought-provoking, verified & challenging documentaries & world news
WATCH ALJAZEERA ENGLISH & TRT WORLD LIVE ONLINE

SUNDAY 8.00pm BBC2: PILGRIMAGE

Celebrities of differing faiths and beliefs experience an emotional journey
on a pilgrimage in North Wales, visiting churches dedicated to early Celtic
Christian saints.

MONDAY 8.00pm BBC1: GHOST PLATES: DRIVERS CHEATING THE LAW

Weakness in the transport system means that millions of vehicles on Britain's
roads are using illegal number plates. What can innocent motorists do?

MONDAY 9.00pm BBC2: FINDING BRITAIN'S SLAVE TRADERS

Continues to explore this most shameful part of our national history, Britain's part
in the international slave trade and the wealth accrued from the brutality
inflicted on millions of Africans. David Olusoga continues to sift through the
evidence.

THURSDAY 7.30pm ITV1: DRIVING: HOW OLD IS TOO OLD?

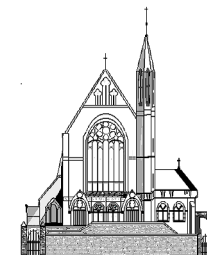
With one in seven UK licence holders aged over 70, the number of older drivers
is rising. What is being done to ensure they are fit to be behind the wheel?

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MASS TIMES

Saturday 6.30pm Sacred Heart

Sunday 10.30am St. Michael's

Monday 9.00am Sacred Heart

Tuesday Parish Feast Day. 9.30am and 7.00pm St. Michael's

Thursday 7.00pm St. Michael's

GOSPEL THOUGHTS Matthew: 21: 28-32

Well disposed 'Scousers' might
say, 'Yes' to please you without
listening to what you are asking.
You will need to be careful if you
want the job done. We need to
listen and be changed by our
conversations, to please and love
each other.

Jesus is having difficulties
with the Chief Priests whose education is in the way;
not listening to Jesus' teaching and his way of doing
things. Asking people to know and experience the
Father's love was not heard because knowledge filled
the leaders with correctness that despised the
ordinary people.

When caught up in relationships we must listen and
know we are loved then be called to action - to love and
to serve all we come across.



REMEMBERED...during Mass

Tom Molloy, Beverley McQuilliam, Margaret Simpson,
Joan Duffy, Albert Reason, Robert Peter, Margaret Brown.
Please keep these families in your prayers.

WALK OF WITNESS

Church leaders in Liverpool are inviting us to join them for a Walk of Witness as part of the recently launched 'Time to Act Campaign', which calls for a sustainable and just peace for all who call the Holy Land home. Join Bishop Tom Neylon & Bishop Ruth Worsley on Sunday 27th September.

Timetable: 3 pm - Evening Prayer at the RC Cathedral;
4 pm - Walk of Witness along Hope St; 4.45 p.m. Panel presentation in the Lady Chapel of the Anglican Cathedral with representatives of the Just Peace Ecumenical Coalition.

Organised by the Just Peace Coalition Find out more & register at:
<https://cafod.org.uk/news/events/time-to-act-liverpool>

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY APPEAL '26

Next Friday, 2nd October is Harvest Fast Day.

On that day, we are invited to pray, eat simply and give generously, donating what we would have spent on the day to this year's CAFOD appeal.

In this way, we will help to share God's abundant gifts with our global neighbours and put our faith into action, as today's gospel invites us to.

This year's appeal will support children in Zimbabwe to stay in school with better access to water, nourishing school meals and gardens where food can be grown, even during times of drought. Please use the CAFOD envelope and return it to church next week, or go online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030 to donate.

Thank you so much for your generosity.

SVP

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

VISITORS TO THE HOUSEBOUND

One person has volunteered. Thank you!
If you would like to help, please give Fr. Fitz your contact details.
We need volunteers!

LECTIO

A lectio prayer group for young adults meets every Friday at 6:00pm at St Vincent's Church, L1 5JN. For more information, contact James:
djmoroney@cantab.net or call 07546667394.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Parish Feast Day - Tuesday 29th September, 9.30am & 7.00pm at St. Michael's

Parish Forum Meeting - Wednesday, 7th October, 7.00pm at 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 Request Form after both weekend masses. Please complete the form and return it at mass the following weekend. After this, we will advise you of the date for the next available Baptism Programme.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

KS1 and KS2 school children are invited to be part of the Children's Liturgy of the Word. We need you - adults and parents, to volunteer! Please speak to one of the catechists or come in any Sunday.

And see what we do!

It is very rewarding and worthwhile ministry.

SMASH PARISH FORUM

The Parish Forum will meet on Wednesday, 7th October 7.00pm at St. Michael's. This meeting, important for the development of our parish, for sharing ideas and for making plans together, is open to all. Please come along and see what happens as we prepare for the future.

You are very welcome

ADOREMUS LIVERPOOL '26

On 10th October at the Metropolitan Cathedral, join Archbishop John to explore the theme, 'How We Are Eucharist'. The day starts with mass at 9.00am, followed by Adoration throughout the day, opportunities for the sacrament of reconciliation and several workshops exploring a variety of spiritualities. To find out about the workshops, times and venues, sign up at:

<https://archdioceseofliverpool.churchsuite.com/events/ljycvzsu>
This event is free and available to all. Not to be missed!

LIVERPOOL MARCH FOR PEACE IN PALESTINE **SUNDAY, 4TH OCTOBER**

An invitation to join the march for a ceasefire and an end to genocide! Please gather at the RC Cathedral at 2.00pm, then march to Derby Square to hear speakers. All are welcome!