

PEACE THOUGHTS

'Brothers and sisters, let us look within and ask ourselves: are we peacemakers? In the places where we live, study and work, do we bring tension, words that hurt, chatter that poisons, controversy that divides? Or do we open up the way to peace by forgiving those who have offended us: do we care for those who are at the margins, do we redress injustice by helping those who have less?
This is called building peace.

Our greatest and yet most fragile treasure is our shared humanity as brothers and sisters, children of God. None of us can be saved alone. Consequently, we urgently need to join together in seeking and promoting the universal values that can guide the growth of our human family.

Why, then, wage war on each other over conflicts that we should resolve by talking to each other? Why not rather join our forces and resources to fight together the real battles of civilization: the fight against hunger and thirst; the fight against disease and epidemics; the fight against today's poverty and slavery? Why? Certain choices are not neutral: to allocate a large part of spending to weapons means taking it away from something else, which means continuing to take it away yet again, from those who lack the basic necessities - this is a scandal!

Pope Francis Quotes

WORTH WATCHING!

SUNDAY 6.45pm C4: HOW TO LIVE TO 100

Explores why people in certain parts of the world live so much longer and are happier than us. What are the secrets to a long, happy and healthy existence?

MONDAY 8.00pm BBC1: THE NHS CRISIS: CAN IT BE FIXED?

With the NHS in a critical condition, this report assesses the innovation and new ways of working that might offer the NHS the lifeline it needs, meeting the patients getting hospital treatment at home, and the doctors, nurses and care staff desperate for change.

TUESDAY 9.00pm BBC2: INDIA: THE MODI QUESTION

Probing documentary exploring the tenure of India's Prime Minister, Narendra Modi and his attitude and response to Muslims.

WEDNESDAY 10.00pm BBC4: KEN LOACH: MY CULTURAL LIFE

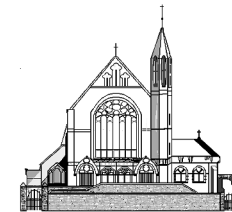
The director reveals what has influenced and inspired his long career.

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MASS TIMES

Monday 9.00am Sacred Heart

Tuesday 9.30am St Michael

Wednesday 12noon Sacred Heart

Thursday 7.00pm St Michael

Saturday 6.30pm Sacred Heart

Sunday 10.30am St Michael

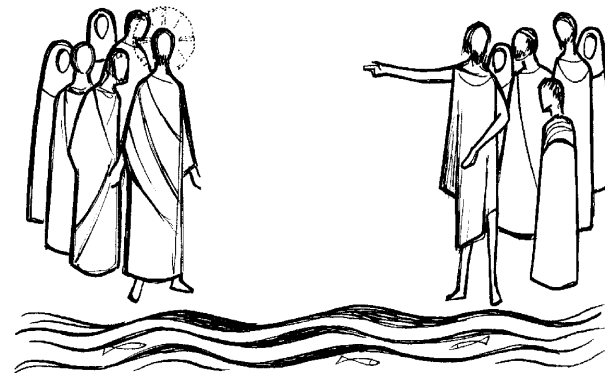
GOSPEL THOUGHTS John 1:29-34

Waiting on a train station or at an airport people will be seen pointing and shouting,

"There they are!"

The Jewish nation was waiting to greet and shout as their Messiah was to arrive. John did point and shout, "There he is!"

In another passage John is certain Jesus was the one because he 'went about doing good'. He always showed compassion for children and for the poor, for the sick and for sinners, and he kept company with the oppressed and the afflicted. It is now our turn, for the members of the church are to be a living witness to truth and freedom, to peace and justice. Other people are to recognize us and shout, 'There they are, bringing us hope!' Let's get on with it!



REMEMBERED

...during Mass

Joyce Rhoden, Irene Crosbie, Annamma George,
Tony Hunt, Michael Brien, Francis Griffin
and all our family and friends who have gone before us.

PASTORAL PLAN

Deanery Synodal Council

<http://liverpoolpastoralplan.org.uk>

Things are under way.

Members of the council are intent on gathering catechists from across the deanery to congratulate and encourage parishioners who give their time to preparation for reconciliation and communion.

Next meeting is Wednesday 25th January. Your feedback or comments for the council are encouraged and welcomed.

Six Areas of Development

1. Becoming a church that **accompanies people through life**
2. Becoming a church that **honours the vocation of all the baptised**
3. Becoming a church **where synodality is embedded**
4. Becoming a church that **renews its organisational structures and administers its property to serve its mission.**
5. Becoming a church **where young people and young adults flourish.**
6. Becoming a church that **cares for its priests.**

One of the four sign posts that emerged from the work that we in our local church have been doing over the last few years is
"Embed synodality in every aspect of archdiocesan life."

FOOD AT THE PARISH DOOR

We were getting low, but the demand is constant.

Your response has been very generous.

Ring pull cans with a whole meal.

Pasta, noodles and tinned tomatoes too.

Thank you for your generous response.

DEANERY JUSTICE AND PEACE MEETING

Wednesday, 25th January, 5.30pm in St. Michael's, Horne St.

Do come along, you are very welcome!

PRAYER FOR POPE BENEDICT XVI

O God, faithful rewarder of souls, grant that our departed servant Pope Benedict, whom you made successor of Peter and shepherd of your Church, may happily enjoy for ever in your presence in heaven the mysteries of your grace and compassion, which he faithfully ministered on earth.

PEACE SUNDAY 15TH JANUARY '23

This year's message from Pope Francis is titled:

'No one can be saved alone. Combatting Covid-19 together, embarking together on paths of peace'.

In it he asks us: 'What did we learn from the pandemic? What new paths should we follow to cast off the shackles of our old habits, to be better prepared, to dare new things? What signs of life and hope can we see, to help us move forward and try to make our world a better place?' We will reflect on these questions as we celebrate **PEACE SUNDAY** during this weekend's masses.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS MEETING

Monday 23rd January Horne St., 7.30pm
All welcome.

With You Always (1st Communion preparation)

Our next session is January 24th, 5.30pm at The Irish Centre.

Also Family Masses

Weekend masses at both our churches next weekend, 21st/22nd January, will be Family Masses. We hope to see all our families there. 6.30pm Sacred Heart and 10.30am St Michael

EMMAUS GROUP

'God for Grownups.' An hour for adults to look at our faith for our own time. A chance for conversations about our life in the light of the gospels. Interested?
4.00pm, Sunday, 29th Jan '23 5th & 12th February '23

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY.

Next week all Christians are invited into each others' churches to pray together. Watch this space for more details.