

PEACE THOUGHTS

Some words of wisdom at the start of Laudato Si' Week -
a week to reflect on our care of creation.

'We are all miracles living on a miracle called Earth. It is only a matter of recognising what that means, both to us and to the rest of the world.

Thich Nhat Hanh says of it: 'The miracle is not to walk on water. The miracle is to walk on the green earth in the present moment, to appreciate the peace and beauty that are available now.'

'Once people lived on the land. Now, most people live in the cities.

We have not only forgotten who we are, but what we are.
We are not only the part of nature that depends on the land, we are also the people on whom the land depends as well.
It is the covenant of life - and we are breaking it!

'How could it be that we have come to spend more time concentrating on the life we left behind than on the future we are creating for others?

A Native American proverb reminds us, 'We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children.'

Quotes from 'Our Holy Yearnings' by Sr. Joan Chittister OSB

TV WITH A CONSCIENCE

MONDAY 7.30pm C4: MPs UNDER THREAT

A recently elected Labour MP investigates the threats and abuse faced by MPs, and the terrible impact it can have on them, their staff and their families.

MONDAY 10.00pm C4: TROY DEENEY: WHERE'S MY HISTORY?

Follows Troy's campaign to make the teaching of Black, Asian and minority ethnic histories mandatory in schools.

WEDNESDAY 10.00pm BBC4: CATHY COME HOME

Ground-breaking drama from 1966 by Ken Loach telling the tale of a young couple and their children who, through the inadequacy of the welfare system, become trapped in a cycle of debt. **Followed at 11.20pm by KEN LOACH IN CONVERSATION** when he discusses his themes of social and political injustice.

FRIDAY 7.30pm PBS AMERICA: THE MURDER OF EMMETT TILL

How the killing of 14 year-old Emmet Till in Mississippi in 1955 sparked the civil rights movement when his assailants were acquitted by an all-white jury.

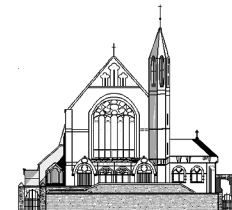
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Confessions: Saturday 12noon St Michael's



21st/22nd May 2022 6th Sunday of Easter Year C p.138

MASS TIMES

Monday 9.00am Sacred Heart

Tuesday 9.30am St Michael

Thursday 7.00pm S.F.X.

Friday 6.30pm St Michael (50th)

Saturday 6.30pm Sacred Heart

Sunday 10.30am St Michael

GOSPEL THOUGHTS John 14:23-29

The family, all home at the same time with tea eaten and the curtains drawn, might be an example of peace. Quietness and calm would be most peoples definition of peace. Lack of war and anger will often be our idea of peace.

Jesus promises peace 'that the world cannot give'. Bound to reveal the nature of his Father in words and in lifestyle the 'peace' he is giving is peace without boundaries. The inequalities and insecurity of many families in the UK and around the globe

are evidence that we have not achieved and perhaps cannot achieve, peace!

Called to a task that seems beyond our capabilities, we are to take hope in the Father's promise that he will send, has filled us, with the Holy Spirit. We have an Advocate to teach us. We are to listen to the Word and LOVE as God loves us. Are we up for the task which has no boundaries?



REMEMBERED

...during Mass

Paul Benson, Albert Shaw, Vincent Malone,
Jimmy Doran, Alan Cunningham
and all our family and friends who have gone before us.

PASTORAL PLAN

One of the four signposts 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."

Pope Francis has said that the whole Church should follow this path. He has said, "The world in which we live, and which we are called to love and serve, even with its contradictions, demands that the Church strengthens cooperation in all areas of her life."
This means that giving attention to the future and listening to each other - all parts of the Church - will help us work out what the Holy Spirit is calling us to be and do. We should become a Church of participation, solidarity and transparency, and thereby become a sign of hope to humanity.

The new Deanery Synodal meetings
will have a mix of people not only priests.

FAMILY BILLS

There is a real worry for many that income is not meeting the cost of food and fuel. We invite people not to be alone in their worry.

Advice and support is available from the following:

'Big Help Project' at 212, Boaler Street.
Their freephone number is 0808 275 9931.

Citizens Advice Bureau
0300 330 1196

Kensington Fields Community Centre
0151 708 9107

"God is Present "

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

Our 'With You Always Holy Communion Programme' is completed.
Communions have started at weekend masses.

Please make the families welcome when you meet them at mass.
Do keep our schools and young people in your affection and prayers.
Our 'Home, School, Parish partnership' is alive and well.

EMMAUS GROUP - 'God for grownups.'

An hour for adults to look at our faith for our own time and situation. A chance for conversations about our life and responsibilities in the light of the gospels. Interested?

Occasional Sundays at 4.30pm.

Next meetings are 5th, 12th and 19th June.

Mass to celebrate the **Ascension** takes place on Thursday, 26th May at 7 pm at SFX Church, Salisbury Street. This is a *Churches Together* celebration.

All welcome.

On Friday 27th May fifty years ago, Fr Fitz was ordained priest. Ordained priests exist to serve the priesthood of all the baptised. All baptized people are invited to thank God at Mass that evening at St Michaels' beginning at 6.30 pm.

Inside Public Spaces!

We would always want to be polite to those who are careful/ anxious. Therefore we ask you to consider continuing to wear a face mask and to sanitise in church.

Pax Christi

Is the International Catholic Movement For Peace.
Our next meeting is **Thursday 30th June at 2pm** .
You are welcome.