

Friday, December 1 , at 7 p.m.
Peace Center of Delaware County
1001 Old Sproul Rd., Springfield, PA
FREE!

The “troubles” in Northern Ireland and the 1981 hunger strike in a Belfast prison is the setting for *Some Mother’s Son*. The mothers of two prisoners must decide whether to authorize forcible intravenous feeding or to honor their sons’ wishes and let their fast be “unto death.”

One mother, Kathleen Quigley (Helen Mirren) is an educated, thoughtful schoolteacher. When her own son is arrested for involvement in the Irish Republican Army (IRA), she supports him and fights for his life but maintains her disdain for violence.

In contrast, the other mother, Annie Higgins (Fionnula Flanagan) embraces the IRA’s mission as an “IRA mother”.

Quigley, although increasingly politicized, is torn between losing her son to the fast or violating his wishes with forced feeding. Higgins, in contrast, sees complying with the authorities as betraying the strike—and her son’s deepest commitment.

Brilliantly acted, *Some Mother’s Son* is based on the true story of the internationally known fast led by Bobby Sands against treatment of IRA prisoners in Maze Prison in Northern Ireland.

1996. 112 min. Drama. Directed by Terry George. Written by Terry George and Jim Sheridan. Rated PG for adult situations, language, violence.



Peace Center of Delaware County
First-Friday Film Series

Springfield Friends Meetinghouse
(Behind Mr. Car Wash, at the corner of Old Marple and Rt. 320/W Sproul Road)

7 p.m. — Free — Large Screen.

Doors open 6:30 p.m. for light refreshments.

After-film discussion.

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