



# Becks keeps faith with Jesus tattoo

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**F**ootball superstar David Beckham has joined the God squad after showing off his latest tattoo – a portrait of Jesus. The AC Milan star flashed his new body art across his torso as he celebrated his team's 3-0 victory against Juventus over the weekend. It's not the first time Becks has made a body pledge to the big guy upstairs. The new black and white image of The Man Of Sorrows by artist Matthew R Brooks is his third religious tat. Included in the 17 visible scribbles across his body are the names of his three boys and wife Posh as well as a crucifix on his neck above a guardian angel placed between his shoulder blades. His ink job is the latest public religious outing for Becks, who revealed his Jewish roots by wearing a blue skullcap to the funeral of his grandfather, Joe West, last year. In the past Becks, 34, said: 'I've



**Close-up:** The black and white image of Jesus

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probably had more contact with Judaism than with any other religion. I used to wear the traditional Jewish skullcaps when I was younger, and I also went along to some Jewish weddings with my grandfather.' But the tattoo shock was not as big as the bum flash Beckham gave Italian fans during the game. Beckham took

advertising his Emporio Armani kecks into his own hands after swapping shorts in the middle of the pitch during the game. The star was keen to prove he was in fine shape ahead of this year's World Cup in South Africa when he then peeled off his top to reveal the Jesus tattoo at the same time.

**★** Lewis Hamilton's romance with Pussycat Doll Nicole Scherzinger is over. The Formula One star's romance hit the skids after the pair said they wanted to focus on their own careers. The split was confirmed by a spokesman. 'They have decided to go their separate ways,' a statement read. Many thought Hamilton, 25, and Scherzinger, 31, were planning to get married.

**★** Twilight pals Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart could be on the move – to the Isle of Wight. The co-stars are believed to have fallen in love with the island after spending a cosy new year in Ventnor and may buy a hideaway there away from the paparazzi. 'They loved it. They were able to walk around largely unnoticed – like a normal couple,' said an insider.

**★** Most little princesses have to wait until they're all grown up before daddy buys them a car – but not when your father is Tom Cruise. The Top Gun actor has reportedly spent £19,000 on a custom-made mini Indy racing car for three-year-old Suri. She became a big fan after seeing the races on TV. 'If Suri takes to the sport, Tom plans on having a little race track installed,' said an insider.



**Hands of God:** David Beckham shows of his latest tattoo – a portrait of Jesus – during AC Milan's 3-0 victory over Juventus

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