

Solemn Mass on Pentecost Morning

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon will preside at 11am Solemn Mass to celebrate the Feast and confer the sacrament of Confirmation. Thirty young children and 5 adults are to be confirmed at this joyful Eucharistic Celebration of Pentecost and the 49th Anniversary of the opening of our Cathedral.

Hope Street Pentecost Pageant – a celebration of Hope

For the first time, Sunday 15 May will see the city's two cathedrals teaming up with the city council and Visit Hope Street Community Interest Company (CIC) to expand the biannual celebrations, making Pentecost a full day event. Hope Street will be transformed into a stage filled with performers, singers and artists celebrating Liverpool's Pentecost Pageant.

Pentecost – a celebration of the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles – has been marked in Liverpool for 34 years with a 'two cathedrals walk" which sees thousands of people process between the two Cathedrals on Hope Street in a show of unity and celebration.

Starting at midday and running until 3pm, the free event will see music, dance, performance and colour all the way along one of the most iconic streets in the UK, with five main performance spaces creating a unique atmosphere and experience.

Samba bands, the Merseyside Welsh Choir, stilt performers, dancers and creations from the Liverpool Lantern Company will fill the length of the street. The aim is to produce an atmospheric journey for the audience – including performances which will allow the crowds to reflect on momentous moments in people's lives such as marriage and birth, whereas later on in the journey the music soundtrack will provide a celebratory carnival atmosphere.

At 3pm the traditional procession will start from Liverpool Cathedral beginning with a short service and anyone intending to join in is asked to wear red or white clothing – the colours associated with Pentecost. The parade concludes with a final short act of worship from the steps of the Metropolitan Cathedral. After the act of worship the events and activities on Hope Street will continue