

Mass Intentions Received

Gerard Webb (RIP), Holy Souls, Mr Joseph Klobski, Ray Lewis (RIP), Tommy Keenan (Anniversary Remembrance), Olive Wayne (RIP), Aileen Gallagher (Get Well), Patsy Clarke (RIP), Michael Quinlivan (RIP), Mary Gannon (Anniversary), Ann Nancy Delaney (RIP), Kitty's Father (RIP), Cormac O'Shauhassy (RIP), Donald Blackwell (RIP), Fr John J Ealey (Anniversary), Vera Gaughan (Get Well), Mary Fisher (RIP), P J Mullin (RIP), Thelma Murphy (Intention), John Martin Gilleran (Birthday Anniversary), Elizabeth Wylie (Birthday), Prentice

Brothers (RIP), Peg Maccarow (RIP), Marianne Brennan (RIP), Billy Thomas (Successful Treatment), John Bartholomew (Bury) (Successful Treatment), Angela Jones (RIP), Peter and Marcia Tann (IOM) (Successful Treatment), Chris Adam (Good Luck), Michaela Dimitre (Get Well), Joan Bone (RIP), Regina Mary Tracey (RIP), Freddie Ramsdale (RIP), Mary Henry (Intention), Rose (RIP), Ann Lane (RIP).

Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING: 29 July 2018

Sunday 29th July

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

8.30am Mass
10.00am Family Mass Crypt
11.00am Solemn Choral Mass
1.00pm Polish Mass Crypt
3.00pm Choral Evening Prayer
4.00pm Mass RLUH
7.00pm Mass Crypt

Monday 30 July

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.15pm Mass

Tuesday 31 July

St Ignatius
7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.15pm Mass

Wednesday 1 August

St Alphonsus Liguori
7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass
9.00am Mass (Agnes O'Gorman) STV
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.15pm Mass

Thursday 1 August

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass
9.00am Mass SS
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.15pm Mass

Friday 3 August

8.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass
9.00am Mass (Barbara Hyland) STV
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.15pm Mass

Saturday 4 August

St John Vianney
8.45am Morning Prayer
9.00am Mass
6.00pm Vigil Mass (Patsy Crane) STV
6.30pm Vigil Mass Crypt

RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Monday - Friday:
 Following the 12.15pm Mass
Saturday: 11.00am – 12noon & 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Crypt

Crypt Chapel

STV

St. Vincent de Paul Parish Church

SS -

55 Seel St, Missionaries of Charity

RLUH -

Royal Liverpool University Hospital

CLERGY:

PRIESTS:

Canon Anthony O'Brien *Dean*
 Mgr Peter Cookson
 Fr Dominic Risley
 Fr Stephen Lee

DEACONS:

Rev Noel Abbott
 Rev Paul Mannings



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Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

I learnt a few things from the visit of the Archbishop and clergy from Barcelona last week. One was not to organise any talks or presentations in the early afternoon after lunch as they will almost all fall asleep during it – this is siesta time! The second was that a large group of priests in a pub wearing clerical collars now get constantly asked if they are the 'real thing' or if they are on a 'stag night'. Finally that Latin still comes in handy as a common liturgical language.

This weekends' passage from John's Gospel is the beginning of a section configured around four major Jewish feasts: the weekly Sabbath, and the annual feasts of Passover in March/April, Tabernacles in October and Dedication (or Hanukkah) in early December.

The Jewish people believed that as they remembered and celebrated the past events of their history, the God who saved their ancestors in the past was present with them in the now and continuing his saving work in their midst (much as we believe about our sacraments).

In today's episode, John identifies the Jews' feast of *Passover*. At Passover, the Jews remembered, among other things, how God had fed the hungry people escaping from Egypt with the manna, the bread from heaven. As the Jews celebrated the feast every year, they believed, rightly, (and still believe today) that the God who saved his people then was still present with them and saving them now.

Against this backdrop of Passover, John recounts Jesus' feeding of the hungry crowd out in the wilderness on the other side of the lake. As the chapter continues over the next four Sundays, he will use the event to make the point that the real bread of life is Jesus himself, really present to his little community of disciples.

What do we make of all this as we gather each Sunday twenty centuries later? We believe that Jesus himself is present and active among us. He

touches and nourishes our spirit by the message he has shared with us, stirring our deepest desires and strengthening our hopes. He nourishes us with his own life, his risen, irrepressible life, as we associate our minds and wills with his in our offering of ourselves in trust to the same God of Jesus who raised even the crucified Christ to life.

It is interesting to note the crowd's reactions to the involvement of Jesus: "*This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.*" "*They were about to come and take him by force and make him king.*" They thought they were responding well - but they missed the point.

They were measuring Jesus by their own categories, in light of their own experience, seeing him, among other things, as the answer to their hopes and desires. What is wrong with that? Simply: they were not open to the uniqueness of this person, the mystery of this Jesus who immeasurably surpassed their narrow, limiting definitions. They were taming him, boxing him in!

We have to move beyond our vision of Jesus and be open to his utter uniqueness, the mystery of his person - beyond our capacity to describe, to capture, to understand. Time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament helps us to go beyond our limited understanding of the presence of Christ when we can simply adore and spend time with Him and open ourselves to accept His will for us.

I noticed an amusing reference in the Catholic Herald to an article termed 'Bad reasons for missing mass'. The writer used the image of taking a shower and talked about 13 reasons for not taking a shower. One was 'I was forced to take a shower as a child'. Another was 'people who shower are hypocrites, they think that they are cleaner than everyone else' etc.

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ST VINCENT'S LOTTERY NUMBERS

The lottery numbers for week commencing 21 July were 2, 5, 6, 7, 10 and 11. There was one winner! The prize is now £50. Please speak to a member of staff in Cathedral House if you would like to join up.

CATHEDRAL WALKING GROUP

The next date for the Cathedral Walking Group will be on Sunday 19 August where once again we will meet at 12.30pm at the Cathedral Car Park. Previous walks have been excellent! Further details from c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk New walkers are always welcome.

CATHEDRAL BOOK CLUB

The next meeting of the Cathedral Book Club will be on Thursday 23 August at 7.00pm in the Gibberd Room and the book we will discuss is The Essex Serpent by Sarah Perry. 'Overall Book of the Year and Fiction Book of the Year at the British Book Awards 2017 and Waterstones Book of the Year 2016'. All are welcome to come along. Any queries just get in touch with Claire at c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk

ADOREMMUS NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE AND CONGRESS

Eucharist is... Sacrifice

Remembering Jesus' death cannot be done simply by thinking about it. If we are to remember as we are called to remember, then we need to live as Jesus lived, think as he thought and act as he acted. We celebrate the

memory of Jesus in the Eucharistic sacrifice by offering our own lives together with Jesus for the life of the world.

LITTLE CHURCH

The last date that there will be Children's Liturgy at the 10.00am Mass in the Crypt is Sunday 15 July. We will then take a break for the summer and start again on 9 September. Many thanks to all our helpers at Children's Liturgy. This is a very special ministry guiding and teaching our little ones. Have a good break over the summer.

REFLECTIONS ON THE JOY OF LOVE (Amoris Laetitia)

In this 325-paragraph document, Pope Francis provides his prayerful reflections on marriage and the family: their strengths and weaknesses, their call from God and the challenges they face. Pope Francis recommends that The Joy of Love be read "patiently and carefully". Each week we will print an extract from the Pope's letter and reflect on how it might relate to our family lives. "True love values the other person's achievements. It does not see him or her as a threat. It frees us from the sour taste of envy. It recognises that everyone has different gifts and a unique path in life. So it strives to discover its own road to happiness, while allowing others to find theirs" (*Amoris Laetitia* 95). It is always difficult not to compare ourselves to other people, but that inevitably is not fulfilling and does not bring us happiness. This week, reflect upon the unique path that you have been on so far, and entrust

yourself to God in confidence. Plan something fun with your family for next weekend so that you can appreciate your families particular gifts and uniqueness.

PRAYER SERVICE

There will be a prayer vigil for all of those who are about to receive A Level or GCSE exam results and their parents and grandparents, at St Mary's Church, Woolton. It will take place on Wednesday 15th August from 7pm. This will be a time of simple prayer, reflection and quiet. All are welcome! Email redemptoristyouth@hotmail.com for further information.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Back by popular demand! We will be hosting an Autumn Supper at 60 Hope Street for all Cathedral visitors, parishioners and friends. The date is Wednesday 3 October from 7.00pm so pop it in your diary now. Tickets are £30 per person which includes a glass of fizz on arrival, a three course meal, live entertainment and a chance to make new friends. To apply for a ticket please either call to Cathedral House or send a cheque made payable to Metropolitan Cathedral to Claire in Cathedral House. Don't forget to mention any dietary requirements you might have. If you have any further queries please contact Claire at enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk

JOURNEY IN FAITH

There are many ways to become a Catholic! Here at the Cathedral, our way is through exploring the *Journey in Faith* process and you are welcome to join us.

We begin again in September. Meanwhile we would like to gather a group so that we can initially meet and plan. Do join us! Please contact:

enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk

NUGENT

The Charity Shop on Allerton Road needs donations! The stock is going so fast we can't keep up! So if you are having a clear-out, looking to free up some space, have some unwanted gifts, Nugent would be happy to take them. You can drop goods of at the shop on Allerton Road, or they can collect from you. The drivers collect on Thursdays, please call Jeanette at the shop to arrange a collection. 0151 737 2951. Many thanks.

DIVORCED/SEPARATED SUPPORT

from the Archdiocesan Marriage and Family Life Department, (Pastoral Formation). The course is for any person who is going through, or has gone through, a relationship breakdown. People can be at any stage in the process – they may have been recently separated or divorced for many years - the course is designed for anyone whose committed relationship has ended. For further details contact Maureen 07967 753371 or Jacqui 07793 825815.

Last week's collection: **£1,134.00**



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The 5.15pm Mass on the first Friday of every month will be offered for all those who are recorded in the Golden Book.

Monday – Friday
10.00am – 3.30pm

