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Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 30 May 2021

Sunday 30 May Trinity Sunday

9.00am Mass
11.00am Mass
This Mass will be streamed live on Facebook and Youtube

Monday 31 May The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12noon Mass

Tuesday 1 June St Justin

12noon Mass

Wednesday 2 June

12noon Mass

Thursday 3 June Saints Charles Lwanga and Companions

12noon Mass

Friday 4 June

12noon Mass

Saturday 5 June St Boniface

10.00am Mass

4.00pm Mass

**RECONCILIATION (Confession)
The Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place at 10.30am, and again between 3.00pm – 3.45pm on Saturdays only.**

Crypt
Crypt Chapel

SS -
55 Seel St,
Missionaries of Charity

RLUH -
Royal Liverpool
University Hospital

CLERGY:

PRIESTS:
Canon Anthony O'Brien Dean
Fr Stephen Lee
Fr Chris McCoy
Fr Peter Murphy

DEACONS:
Rev Noel Abbott
Rev Paul Mannings



Cathedral Record

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CSSA Appointments

The Catholic bishops of England and Wales have appointed the former Chief Crown Prosecutor in the Rochdale grooming gang cases as the Chair of their new safeguarding agency.

The appointment of Nazir Afzal as the Chair of the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) was formally announced at an online press conference on the morning of Tuesday May 18.

Mr Afzal has served as the Chief Crown Prosecutor for North West England and Director in London, as well as the Chief Executive of the Police and Crime Commissioners.

During a 24-year career Mr Afzal has prosecuted many of the most high profile criminal cases in the country, advised on many others, and led nationally on legal matters surrounding such topics as violence against women and girls, child sexual abuse, and honour-based violence. He was responsible for bringing sex-traffickers in the Rochdale grooming gang scandal to justice, as well as Stuart Hall, the former television presenter who in 2014 was convicted of multiple sex offences against children.

The bishops will also announce the appointment of Stephen Ashley as the Deputy Chair of the CSSA. Mr Ashley is a former Assistant Chief Constable who authored a Home Office report on the conduct of the police during the investigations into sex offences committed by former television personality Jimmy Savile.

The appointments of Amanda Ellingworth, Wesley Cuelland, Dr Jenny Holmesas Non-Executive Directors will also be announced by the bishops. The Board will also be strengthened by the appointment of Bishop Paul Mason of the

Bishopric of the Forces as the Lead Bishop for Safeguarding, and Fr David Smolira SJ as the Lead Religious. Carol Lawrence, Project Director, will also remain as a Director of the CSSA. The appointments mean that the bishops are on track to deliver the fully-functioning safeguarding agency within the six months originally envisaged by the Catholic Safeguarding Project.

The agency is being created amid wide-ranging reforms to safeguarding structures within the Church following the recommendations in November by the Elliott Review, with the aim of establishing the highest possible standards. The agency replaces separate existing structures with a singlebody with greater regulatory powers across the Catholic Church of England and Wales, extending to all dioceses and associated religious bodies.

It has been established as a trading company with independence in its day-to-day operation under the responsibility of a management board and with the powers to ensure that each Church body partnered with the agency is complying with published standards.

The Chair will provide effective leadership and management to the board of the CSSA, and will have responsibility for the governance and strategic direction of the agency. Mr Afzal will work constructively with the chief executive, the board, the Catholic Church, survivor groups and wider stakeholders to ensure that its objectives are fully achieved.

The Non-Executive Directors of the Board will share responsibility for ensuring the long-term success of the agency. They will have oversight of its financial and operational management, and its sustainability and will contribute to planning and implementing its future strategic direction.

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Cathedral Notice Board

MASS INTENTIONS

Denis and Rosaleen Conlon (Remembrance), Monica and Martin Fleming (Golden Wedding Anniversary), Kathleen Barton (RIP), Fred Kellett (RIP), Mr Putin, Russia and World Leaders, Pat Holloway (RIP), Fidelis Ownuchie (RIP), Ownuchie and Nwuka Family (Intentions), Peter Joseph Carroll, Rose Murphy, Gerard Webb (RIP), Holy Souls, Kade (Intention).

RECRUITMENT FOR BOY & GIRL CHORISTERS 2021

Do you know a child who would like to be a chorister at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King here in Liverpool? The search is now on for our next generation of Boy and Girl choristers. We are recruiting - BOYS currently in year 2 & 3 - GIRLS currently in year 5 All choristers are educated at Runnymede St Edward's Catholic Primary School (Boys, year 3-6) and St Edward's College (Boys & Girls, year 7-10.) If you know of a Catholic family who might be interested in this wonderful opportunity, please share this information with them. Full details of choristerships at the Metropolitan Cathedral, alongside application forms and voice trial booking slots can be found at: <https://www.liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk/music/joining-the-choirs/?fbclid=IwAR3OSMT-8nrX5X1NIMpJ9vcqixQJWYVpleQzCLYtgT3BzFry7AGxMz0w7X>

NEWS FROM ST NICHOLAS' PRIMARY SCHOOL

On Friday all our children had an own clothes day, and it was also the day school finished for the Whitsun half-term break. There's always a sense of renewed excitement and lots of splashes of colour throughout the school when we have an own clothes day and Friday was no exception! We wish you a peaceful Whitsun Bank holiday, let's hope the weather is kind!

CONFIRMATIONS 2021

If you are in Year 8 (or above) at school, and wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, you are now invited to register your interest. You must register both by going online to www.liverpoolcalled.co.uk and by emailing Fr Peter at the Cathedral (p.murphy@metcathedral.org.uk). If you know of families from the Cathedral who have children in Year 8 please bring this to their attention - especially if they do not attend a Catholic Secondary School. There will be an initial meeting before the Summer Holidays, and then further preparation sessions in the autumn term.

DAUGHTERS OF ST PAUL

New Shop: 84 Church Street, Liverpool. Opening hours: Tuesday - Saturday: 10am - 5pm email: liverpool@pauline-uk.org Tel: 0151 709 1328. Do pop in and take a look - the Sisters will be delighted to welcome you.

SYNOD UPDATE

On the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity we celebrate all that God has revealed to us of God's beauty and love. We thank God for the gift of faith, and we pray that our faith in God may be deepened and lived out more fully in our daily lives. We pray

again for the work of our Synod which will take place on Saturday the 19th of June. May the Synod help us all to live more fully the call we received when we were baptised in the name of the Holy Trinity. Merciful Father, Faithful God, our Church has never lacked the life-giving presence of our Holy Spirit. May your Holy Spirit always be at work among us, helping us to be more like Christ in our love of you and of our neighbour. We ask your blessing upon our Synod. May we be truly open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Help us to become ever more fully the Church that you are calling us to be. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

NEWS FROM MICAH

After several weeks of record demand the number of people seeking food aid seems to be dropping, thankfully, though still at a higher level than pre pandemic. Our year's grant from UNICEF, which enabled us to supply very high quality fruit, veg and eggs to everyone, has now sadly finished, though we plan to continue sourcing fruit and veg from the same supplier at our own expense so we can maintain the same quality if not quantity. We're grateful too for all your donations both in cash and in kind. Please drop off any items of food that you have at the Cathedral Security Office.

CATHEDRAL READERS

We are actively looking for people to come forward who are interested in becoming part of our Guild of Readers. This is a really important ministry within our Cathedral community. As we start to think about our own

road map and adding in more Masses to our timetable we need people to come onto our Readers rota. You don't need any previous experience and full training will be given, and any concerns or queries will be answered. All you need is some confidence and to be reliable. If you would like more details, or are interested please email c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk in the first instance and we can then get you in touch with the Readers co-ordinator.

CATHOLIC PICTORIAL

The May issue of the Catholic Pic is now available in print and online. The latest edition is available to download here: <https://bit.ly/3dRehfs>

JOIN US A CATHEDRAL WELCOMER/GUIDE

After a highly successful year of maintaining a welcoming presence in the Cathedral during lock-down, we are looking to recruit more voluntary members to this excellent team. From July, our plan is to revert to our former scheduled duty periods of 10am to 1pm and 1pm to 4pm, Mondays to Saturdays. We warmly invite you to consider joining us for one of these duty periods. You might wish to actively guide groups or individuals. You may prefer to specialise in active Welcome Desk Ministry at the Main Entrance and Crypt. Alternatively, you may prefer to mix both roles within one duty period. Training will be given on-the-job. If you enjoy meeting people, answering queries and overall being personal ambassadors to our visitors, we would love to hear from you! Contact: enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk

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