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Cathedral Record

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Changes on the way

In a few weeks time we return to a more regular timetable for Cathedral Services and general opening times of the building. Many things will return to normal but not everything will be the same as before. Many of our attitudes and behaviours have been changed as a result of the last fifteen months, some may be slowly discarded and others we will want to retain.

All those years feeling the cold air at Mass in late autumn and winter will now seem a bit more bearable as we have our own inbuilt supply of fresh air to add an extra element of safety within our building! I will need to remind myself of this when I'm standing on the sanctuary feeling the cold air blowing down my neck in a few months time.

This last week we have received communication from the Diocese regarding significant changes suggested for deanery structures which will impact on the relationships between all our various parishes.

Another positive impact of the pandemic has been that many more people have used the Cathedral Precincts for walking and exercise or just sitting enjoying the space and the views and architecture all around. The positive in this is that it is great to see more people enjoying the Cathedral and its environs. However, there are the occasional downsides as well as positives. The first being that unfortunately there are a minority who just leave rubbish strewn around the site without any consideration of the impact on others and respect for the environment. The other is a consequence of the recent Olympics and the growing popularity of skateboarding and BMX biking. Despite the growing acceptability of these as recognised sports they can leave damaging scars and make their mark on public sites such as ours. It would help if there were more specifically designated areas which are purpose built for these sports.

We are still awaiting the announcement of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan following the recent Diocesan Synod which will set the roadmap for the way ahead for the Diocese. This will be announced at the beginning of Advent.

Our focus here over the next few months is simply to try and ensure a smooth transition back to regular services within the Cathedral and Crypt and gradually expanding the range of activities that we have always been used to having within the life our Cathedral.

One of the legacies of the pandemic has been that businesses, places of work and other public buildings have had to review the amount of space and flow of air within their buildings to ensure peoples safety with many having to make changes for the future. Remarkably for us here at the Cathedral what was in the past a cause of occasional complaints and comment has now become a positive factor. By this I'm referring to the draughts that blow through the interior space within the Cathedral.

As we enter the final period of the schools summer holidays I hope that the weather improves for our families and children to enjoy time outdoors.

Canon Anthony O'Brien Cathedral Dean

Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 22 August 2021

Sunday 22 August
21st Sunday of Ordinary Time
9.00am Mass
11.00am Mass
This Mass will be streamed live on Facebook and Youtube

Monday 23 August
12noon Mass

Tuesday 24 August
St Bartholomew
12noon Mass

Wednesday 25 August
12noon Mass

Thursday 26 August
Blessed Domini Barberi of the Mother of God
12noon Mass

Friday 27 August
St Monica
12noon Mass

Saturday 28 August
St Augustine
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 Notice Board

MASS INTENTIONS

Teresa, Vera Sweeney (RIP), Barry Redden (Birthday Remembrance), Ann White (RIP), Holy Souls, Gerard Webb (RIP), Harry and Freda Foster (RIP), Pamela Pember (RIP).

COMMEMORATE KEY WORKERS SERVICE

Dean Sue from Liverpool Cathedral and Dean Tony from the Metropolitan Cathedral warmly invite you to join them for a service to commemorate the Key Workers on Sunday 19th September 2021 at 3pm at Liverpool Cathedral. You are asked to please be seated by 2.30pm. RSVP to Jayne Bainbridge Tel: 0151 702 7204 Email: jayne.bainbridge@liverpoolcathedral.org.uk

CAFOD

10th Anniversary of the Syrian conflict – how your donations have helped the Syrian people

Thanks to your donations, CAFOD has been helping people in Syria since the crisis began 10 years ago. Over 12 million people have left their homes, 5.6 million are refugees in neighbouring countries and within Syria, 13 million people need help. At the beginning, our focus was on delivering food and blankets through our local church partners. Then we started providing education, health and legal services, and helping people earn a living. Our latest projects are supporting children, lonely elderly people, helping women learn to read, and helping people restart their small businesses. We've always planned for the long term,

standing alongside people who lost everything. None of this work would have been possible without your support of CAFOD. Thank you.

CLEANER IN CATHEDRAL

An opportunity is available for a cleaner to join the wider cleaning team based at the Cathedral. This is a permanent post, requiring the successful candidate to undertake general cleaning duties to exceptionally high standards for clergy, staff and visitors. Details about the post are below:

**Cleaner (Chapels, Choirs areas, Gibberd Room and other designated areas)
20 hours per week
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday
9.00am – 1.00pm each day
£9,516.00 per annum**

Candidates must have empathy with the ethos and mission of the Roman Catholic Church and a commitment to the work undertaken by all at the Metropolitan Cathedral. Applicants must have cleaning experience, excellent interpersonal and communication skills, an ability to work unsupervised and on own initiative, an ability to carry out verbal and written instructions, manual handling ability and a flexible approach to cleaning tasks. **Closing date is 17 September 2021.** To apply, visit www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/jobs or ring 0151 522 1102 for an application pack.

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.

ST PAUL'S BOOKSHOP

Opening Hours: Tuesday to Saturday from 10am to 5pm. You can also contact us by phone: 0151 709 1328 or email: liverpool@pauline-uk.org We will post your order to you!

PRAYERS PLEASE

Please remember in your prayers this week Steve Kane, a loyal and long serving member of the Cathedral family who is sick in hospital at the moment.

GREETING OUR VISITORS AT THE CATHEDRAL WELCOME DESK

This is an exciting voluntary ministry that is all about greeting visitors with warmth and hospitality. We have our regular parishioners, others who call in to pray and reflect, and many who are visiting for the first time. For those seeking a guided tour, we direct them to a member of our first-class guiding team, close at hand. Welcoming at the desk is a specialist ministry and thankfully, volunteers are coming forward. We have spaces. We would ask you please, to consider join us for one three-hour period each week at 10-1 or 1-3, Monday to Saturday. I look forward to hearing from you. Deacon Paul p.mannings@rcaol.org.uk

VOLUNTEER YOUR TEACHING TALENT

Are you a retired or part time qualified teacher? You could be part of the cathedral's Education Service team! Come and help hundreds of school children and young people to learn about this wonderful cathedral. *'It's a joy to watch children be amazed by the sheer beauty of John Piper's lantern of light and colour and be able to bring the cathedral to life for the generations of the future'*. For more information about what is involved please contact us at education@metcathedral.org.uk

ORDINATION OF CANON THOMAS NEYLON

The Archbishop of Liverpool announced on Tuesday 6 July 2021, that His Holiness Pope Francis has appointed Canon Thomas Neylon of the Archdiocese of Liverpool to be Bishop of Plestia and Auxiliary Bishop of Liverpool. The Archbishop has confirmed that he will ordain Canon Neylon as Bishop on Friday 3 September at 12noon in the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King.

There will be unreserved seats in the Cathedral for people who wish to attend, and whilst tickets are not being issued, it would be helpful if anyone intending to celebrate this special occasion and will be attending the Mass should be advised to register their interest by emailing c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk

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Golden Book of Remembrance

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