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Mass & Service Times All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 12 September 2021

24th Sui 9.00am 10.00am	Family Mass	Crypt	Thursday 16 SeptemberSaints Cornelius, Pope, Cyp8.45amMorning Prayer9.00amMass		<b>Crypt</b> Crypt Chapel
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# Hello from Peter Ross

Last weekend was the first time that we had returned to having Sunday Masses in the Crypt Chapel and Blessed Sacrament Chapels and having a fuller weekday schedule. It did become obvious at some of these Masses that we would need to wait a few weeks to gauge whether the times and locations were the best and most suitable for people to attend and also before we could begin to feel any sense of a regular routine. It was particularly noticeable that the numbers at the 9am Sunday Mass exceeded our expectations and I would be grateful to hear the opinions from that congregation as to whether they would consider the High Altar or the Blessed Sacrament Chapel as the most suitable location for this Mass. Next Sunday at the 11am Solemn Mass we welcome Auxiliary Bishop Thomas Neylon who will preside at Mass here in the Cathedral for the first time as our newly ordained Bishop.

#### Canon Anthony O'Brien Cathedral Dean

'Hello! My name is Peter Ross and I'm delighted to be joining the community here at the Cathedral. I'm a fourth year student for the priesthood, training for our Archdiocese at Oscott College near Birmingham. I'm from the Parish of St. Margaret Mary in Knotty Ash and outside of term time I live there with my Parish Priest. I've been drawn to the priesthood since I was a little boy. However, it was during my teenage years that I became increasingly aware of a calling to priestly life and ministry. After finishing my A-Levels, I decided to go away for a few years and study for a degree. Upon completing my time at university, I applied for seminary and Archbishop Malcolm sent me to the Royal English College, Valladolid, for an introductory year.

After a year in Spain, I received the great news, that I was to continue my formation at St. Mary's College, Oscott. I am now at the beginning of my fourth year there and my fifth overall year of formation.

In any other year, I would be back at Oscott by now, to recommence my studies. However, formation in fourth year has a predominantly pastoral character, with seminarians embarking upon an Extended Pastoral Placement, running from September till January. Hence why I'm able to be with you all for this time.

As I'm quickly finding out, this place is full of life. After chatting with Fr Tony, it looks like I'll be spending some time each week at the Hospital alongside Fr Stephen and the lay chaplains. This will be a new experience altogether, as I've never been on the other side of hospital chaplaincy. There are other opportunities that have arisen for me as possibilities during this placement and I hope to make the best of them all.

Considering all of that. I have no doubt that I'll walk away from my time here, having gained a wider picture of parish ministry. Finally, although the Cathedral is a big place and I'm only here for a few months. I do hope to get to know some of you during my stay. So don't be surprised if I come over and say hello! See you around.'

#### Peter Ross

## **Cathedral Notice Board**

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Gerard Webb (RIP), Holy Souls, Eddy O'Neill (Birthday Remembrance), Joan Southern (RIP), Felim (RIP), Martha Joyce Burnell (Get Well), Mrs Joan Hargreaves (Get Well), Agnes McDonald (80<sup>th</sup> Birthday), Annmarie Kelly, Vera Day (RIP), Rita McGahey (RIP).

#### "WITH YOU ALWAYS" PREPARATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION

We are looking forward to supporting families in preparing their children to receive the great gifts of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, and now invite you to register your interest. If your child is in Year 4 (or above) at school and is wanting to celebrate these two Sacraments this year, please contact Fr Peter by emailing p.murphy@metcathedral.org.uk

before Friday 24th September.

#### 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@liverpoolcathe dral.org.uk

#### UN CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE (COP26)

The UK will host the 26th UN Climate Change Conference (COP26) in Glasgow from 31 October to 12 November 2021. 'COP' means 'conference of parties'. Leaders from 197 countries, including Pope Francis, who have signed up to the UN's climate change treaty, will travel to Glasgow to take part in the conference. This will be the largest gathering of world leaders ever to take place on British soil. The focus of the conference will be how to keep temperature rises below 1.5C. If the world warms more than this threshold, millions more people in the most vulnerable communities around the globe will suffer from devastating droughts. storms, floods and other impacts of climate change. Governments will be obliged to set out more ambitious goals for ending their contribution to climate change under the Paris Agreement (2015). CAFOD invite us to sign a petition urging the Prime Minister to make sure the communities hardest hit by the climate emergency are listened to at COP26. You can sign the petition online here: https://eactivist.com/page/73304/petition/1

#### 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. 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 vou would like more details, or are interested please email c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk in the first instance and we can then out you in touch with the Readers co-ordinator.

#### CATHEDRAL BOOKCLUB

We are delighted that after meeting on Zoom since March '19 we hope to meet again in person from September. If anyone is interested in joining our friendly reading group please email

c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk

#### 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 threehour 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

#### **MICAH FOODBANK**

Although in August the foodbank has returned to normal operations after 18 months under restrictions, we are now preparing, along with many other agencies in Liverpool, to welcome and support refugees expected from Afghanistan in the coming weeks. Full details, including a full shopping list, can be found on the Micah website: Plan for Afghanistan - Welcome to Micah Liverpool. For anyone without online access, items particularly needed for the women and children we expect to see include jars of baby food, sanitary products. nappies (sizes 4 - 6) and toiletries in general. Thanks to everyone for your continuing support.

Last week's collection: £657.21



### Golden Book of Remembrance

The Golden Book is open and accepting your entries but on a limited basis for the time being.

Please email goldenbook@metcathedral.org.uk or telephone 0151 707 2107 where a member of the team will assist you.



Reopening soon. Please sign up to our newsletter for updates.