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Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 17 April 2022

**Rev Paul Mannings** 

Sunday 17 April Easter Sunday 9.00am Mass 10.00am Mass	Thursday 21 April 10am Mass Crypt	<b>Crypt</b> Crypt Chapel
<b>11.00am</b> Mass This Mass will be streamed live on Facebook and Youtube	Friday 22 April 10am Mass Crypt	SS - 55 Seel St, Missionaries of Charity
<b>Monday 18 April</b> 10am Mass BSC	Saturday 23 April	RLUH -
Tuesday 19 April 10am Mass Crypt	9.00am Mass Lady Chapel 5.00pm Mass Lady Chapel	Royal Liverpool University Hospital
Wednesday 20 April	RECONCILIATION (Confession)	CLERGY:
10am Mass Crypt	There are no confessions taking place this week.	PRIESTS: Canon Anthony O'Brien Dean
		Fr Stephen Lee
		Fr Chris McCoy
		Fr Chris McCoy Fr Peter Murphy



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# **Easter Sunday**

2022 Easter Message from the Most Reverend Malcolm McMahon OP Archbishop of Liverpool

Easter Sunday, the day when we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord, is always a day of joy and of hope – a day when we celebrate the gift of life itself and the triumph of light over darkness, of good over evil, and of peace over war.

The great Easter proclamation, the Exsultet, which is sung at our Easter Vigil, the first service of Easter, savs:

The sanctifying power of this night dispels wickedness, washes faults away,

restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to mourners, drives out hatred, fosters concord and brings down the mighty'

The Easter Vigil is always celebrated in darkness to emphasise the light and glory of the Risen Lord, but it comes at the end of Holv Week, a time when we remember the passion and death of Jesus. It is a time of high drama and emotion, of suffering and of mystery. It begins in triumph as Jesus enters Jerusalem, a king riding on a donkey receiving the adulation of the crowds as they cheer and wave palm branches. The mood rapidly changes to one of darkness and betraval, mental anguish, suffering and death on a cross. If we lay all before the Lord at the foot of that cross God will take us beyond the cross from darkness to light and from war to peace.

As Jesus died on the cross he prayed, 'Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do'. Violence and war are human failings by people who do not know what they are doing. In these last months we have witnessed a time of

darkness, unjust aggression, violence, war and the death of innocent people. We have been praying for peace for the people of Ukraine and our generosity has united us with them. In the Archdiocese of Liverpool we have united with the people of Drohobych and their Auxiliary Bishop, Gregory Komar, who wrote to us: 'We have witnessed that God is with us, that we are not alone in our anguish, that throughout the whole world there are many people of good will supporting us.'

Yes. God is with us all the time, even though we may not realise it. The Risen Lord comes to us as we reach out to those most in need.

Through the cross and resurrection of Jesus Easter gives us hope, Bishop Gregory ends his message to us by saying, 'I am asking you, dear brothers and sisters, to be alongside us in this Way of the Cross, in these dramatic days, when the future of Europe and of the whole world is being decided. Share with us your material blessings and your support, and we in our turn will share with you our love, our gratitude, our faith and our hope.'

Let us accept the love, gratitude, faith and hope of the Ukrainian people as our Easter gift this year as we continue to support them, and may we be empowered by the presence of the Risen Lord today as he calls us beyond the fear of the unknown.

For the people of Ukraine, for those in our world who suffer conflict, hunger, injustice and deprivation, for our families and for ourselves may we make the greeting of the Risen Lord our prayer this Easter - 'Peace be with you'.

### **Cathedral Notice Board**

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Linda Perrin (RIP). Linda and Steve Turner (Golden Wedding), Fr Bernard Forshaw (Intentions), Deceased members of the Parr and Forshaw Families, Kieran Allen (RIP), Maureen Tasker (RIP). Anne Dawe (Get Well). Shelley Haines (Intentions), John Duffy (RIP), Thomas Cully (RIP), Jimmy Walsh (RIP), John Campbell (RIP), Gerard Webb (RIP), Holy Souls, Margaret Usher (RIP), Mary Sweeney (RIP), Marie McGuinness (RIP). Tom McGuinness (RIP), Terry McFadden (RIP), Isabelle McFadden (Get Well).

#### NEWS FROM ST NICHOLAS' CATHOLIC ACADEMY

On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April the school officially became an academy and joined the Saint Joseph Catholic Multi Academy Trust along with three other Liverpool schools. This will bring lots of new and exciting opportunities for both staff and children. Some things will stay the same and some things will change. You may have already noticed we have a new school name above!

#### **MICAH FOODBANK**

Foodbank weekly update: We are in need of more food donations. Urgently needed are tinned fish and tinned tomatoes. We are also currently looking for any wheeled-suitcases (any size) which may not be needed, men's jeans sizes - small to medium, new men's underwear sizes small to medium and any children's clothing aged 8-15 please? The wonderful team at Saint Vincent's Church are providing this service for our guests at the foodbank and these are the items most requested. Thank you for your generosity.

#### CREATIVE FLORAL CRAFT COURSE

Spring is in the air and parks and gardens are starting to blossom and bloom! With that in mind we are hosting a set of 4 weekly Craft workshops starting on Wednesday 27 April from 1.00pm—4.00pm in the Gibberd Room. As well as being a fantastic way to be able to get together once again you will, under the guidance of our floral expert Muir Simpson, plan and create 4 designs for the home using fresh flowers as well as foliage. The only other things that you will need is a willingness to learn something new, a sense of humour and a smile! So sign up and prepare to be inspired! The price for the 4 workshops is £45 per person. Please email c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk for further details.

#### EASTER FLOWERS

Thank you to those who were able to donate towards our Easter flowers that decorate the High Altar. Many thanks for your generosity. It is so much appreciated.

#### THANK YOU

To all those who have worked so hard behind the scenes to make Holy Week 2022 possible. It is a challenging time for everyone but with the contribution, no matter how big or small, of many people – staff and volunteers, all playing their part, and simply doing what they do best – we appreciate all your help and support, guidance and dedication. Thank you.

#### APPEAL AND SUPPORT OF UKRAINE

Archbishop Malcolm has approved the launch of an Archdiocesan urgent and major appeal to support Ukraine. Firstly anyone wanting to make a financial donation can text the numbers below. All donations will be sent to the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of the Holy Family of London. The text numbers are: **Text HELPUKRAINE to 70085 to donate £2** 

Text HELPUKRAINE to 70450 to donate £3 Text HELPUKRAINE to 70460 to donate £5 Text HELPUKRAINE to 70470 to donate £10

(Texts will cost the donation amount plus one standard network rate message.) More information can be found on the website:

#### http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org. uk/ukraine-support

Financial donations can also be made by bank transfer and by cheque as follows: **By bank transfer to:-**Account name: Archdiocese of Liverpool Sort code: 40-29-12 Account no: 01551493 Reference: Help Ukraine **By cheque** made payable to 'Archdiocese of Liverpool' and with 'Help Ukraine' written on the reverse side of the cheque.

### THE GOLDEN BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

For the past 50 years generous donors have been giving to the cost of the Cathedral, and asking for a remembrance at Mass for themselves, members of their families and their friends, by way of an inscription in the Golden Book which is situated in its own special Chapel in the Cathedral. Due to long term sickness the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King is looking for a volunteer to help out with enquires and to process inscriptions in the Golden Book Office for approx. 1-2 days a week. If you enjoy dealing with members of the public, are organised, with a good sense of attention to detail, and have a few hours a week that you could put to good use this may be the volunteer role for you. If you are interested in learning more please contact Claire Hanlon. Executive Assistant to the Dean on 0151 7099222 extension 201 or email c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk

#### MASS TRANSFER

Due to the Organ Restoration Project and the scaffold due to go up around the Blessed Sacrament Chapel once again, we are having to transfer our daily Masses to a different location than usual. There is only one Mass per day next week.

Our usual weekday timetable will resume on Monday 25 April.

For next week please note:-Monday 18 April 2022

Bank Holiday

Mass at 10am in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tuesday 19 April – Friday 22 April - Low Week

Mass will be at 10am in the Crypt Chapel this week.

Saturday 23 April

Mass at 9.00am in the Lady Chapel. Vigil Mass at 5.00pm in the Lady Chapel.

Last week's collection: £998.00



Open Monday - Saturday: First Admission: 10am, Last Admission: 3.30pm

Crypt Admission Charges: £5 Adult, £12 Family (2 adults + 2 children)



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### **Golden Book Office**

The Golden Book office is currently closed. We are still accepting requests which will be dealt with as soon as we can. Please email us at enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk.