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Cathedral Record

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Our Lady of Lourdes

On the hottest day of the year with record temperatures we had almost 2,000 Graduands and their guests gathered within the Cathedral for one of the Hope University celebrations of Conferment of Degrees. Some were hovering in the underground car park until the last minute thinking that we had air conditioning on in there but that was simply the difference between outside and in but the Cathedral itself reached a balmy 28 degrees. Our temporary electronic organ still worked fine but our organists, who were also playing for the Liverpool Graduations at the Philharmonic, returned to the Cathedral ahead of time due to the organ being inoperative, as a result of overheating or you could describe it as being 'Too hot to handle'. Thankfully our Cathedral has now returned to its normal draughty cooler self.

Many priests and people will be away this week on the Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes following a break of a few years due to Covid. The theme for prayer over the next few years is the part of Our Lady's message to St Bernadette to speak to the priests and build a shrine for people to come and pray for the needs of the world and for the sick and infirm. Our pilgrims will be asked to pray specifically for the priests and the sick and infirm of our Diocese. Perhaps we could also pray part of the rosary this week and join with them in praying for these intentions.

A Prayer to Our Lady of Lourdes

The chapel is inscribed with a prayer which reads:

Ever Immaculate Virgin Mother of Mercy, Health of the sick, refuge of sinners, Comforter of the afflicted, you know our wants, our troubles, our sufferings; look with mercy on me. By appearing in the Grotto of Lourdes, you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary, whence you dispense your favours; and already many sufferers have obtained the cure for their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal. I come, therefore, with complete confidence to implore your maternal intercession. Obtain, O loving Mother, the grant of my requests. Through gratitude for your favours, I will endeavor to imitate your virtues, that I may one day share your glory. Amen.

We extend our grateful thanks to the Duchy of Lancaster who have given the Cathedral a grant of £5,000 towards the cost of a set of new chairs for use in the Crypt Concert Room. The existing chairs have been well worn over the years and have rips and tears in them. The grant will enable us to smarten up this facility which is so well used by many different groups of people within the city.

Canon Anthony O'Brien Cathedral Dean

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Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 24 July 2022

Sunday 24 July

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

9.00am Mass Cathedral

10.00am Mass Crypt

11.00am Mass Cathedral

This Mass will be streamed live on

Facebook and Youtube

7.00pm Mass Crypt

Monday 25 July

St James

7.45am Morning Prayer

8.00am Mass Crypt

12.15pm Mass Lady Chapel

5.00pm Mass Lady Chapel

Tuesday 26 July

Sts Joachim and Anne

7.45am Morning Prayer

8.00am Mass Crypt

12.15pm Mass Lady Chapel

5.00pm Mass Lady Chapel

Wednesday 27 July

7.45am Morning Prayer

8.00am Mass Crypt

12.15pm Mass Lady Chapel

5.00pm Mass Lady Chapel

Thursday 28 July

7.45am Morning Prayer

8.00am Mass Crypt

12.15pm Mass Lady Chapel

5.00pm Mass Lady Chapel

Friday 29 July

St Mary, Martha and Lazarus

Magdalene

7.45am Morning Prayer

8.00am Mass Crypt

12.15pm Mass Lady Chapel

5.00pm Mass Lady Chapel

Saturday 30 July

8.45am Morning Prayer

9.00am Mass Lady Chapel

5.00pm Vigil Mass Lady Chapel

EXPOSITION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Will take place from 4.00pm on Fridays.

RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Monday - Friday:

Following the 12.15pm Mass in the Crypt

Saturday: 9.30am - 10.30am & 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Please note that there are no Confessions on Holy Days.

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

Fr Stephen Lee (Ordination Anniversary), Mary Mooney (RIP), Eileen Plummer (RIP), Fr Michael Harwood (Ordination), Gerard Webb (RIP), Holy Souls, Tony Ventre (RIP).

#LIVERPOOL4UKRAINE

Appeal will be making its third trip to the Ukraine/Poland border to deliver aid that has been specifically requested by Bishop Gregory Komar – dried food, medical supplies and building tools to rebuild their homes. Six drivers in three vans left the St Margaret Clitherow Centre on Friday morning for the six day, 2,800 mile round trip. The trip would not be possible without the support of our partner organisations or financial donations. Donations are still very much welcome, more details can be found here: <http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/ukraine-support>.

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Last year Pope Francis decided to institute a Church-wide celebration of a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. He declared it will be held on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. This year the Second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly falls on Sunday 24th July.

Pope Benedict XVI Prayer for Grandparents

Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne. Look with love on grandparents the world over. Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society. Support them as they grow older. May they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasuries of sound religious traditions. Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and role of grandparents. May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them. Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end.

Amen.

MICAH FOODBANK

In the face of ever increasing pressures on the cost of living we are relaunching the Micah foodbank donation point at the cathedral. The box for you to drop off your contributions is now back in the main entrance. Currently we need **Tinned Fish, Milk, Tinned Tomatoes, Cereal, Sweets, Dry foodstuffs, Rice, Veg Soup**

and Toiletries. If everyone who came to the cathedral were to give just one item a visit it would go a long way to making Micah sustainable during these difficult times. Let's see what we can do! There are also opportunities for new volunteers. If you have a few hours to spare and are interested in practical service, contact Nicher either by email at nicher.awan@liverpoolcathedral.org.uk or call 0151 702 7206 (office) or 07494 125 321 (mobile).

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'*.

Contact us at education@metcathedral.org.uk

WALKING GROUP

The Cathedral Walking Group has started up again, and it is hoping to meet for a few good walks either on a Saturday or a Sunday. If you would like to join this friendly, active group or would like to receive more details about the future walks booked for the coming months please contact enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk and your details will be forwarded to the organiser.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The children's liturgy at the 10am Family Mass will finish for the summer break on 24th July and will resume on the 4th September. Thank you to all the co-ordinators of the children's liturgy for all the work that they do throughout the year.

JIGSAWS/GAMES

We are currently looking for jigsaws and games that we can send to the seafarers at Stella Maris. If you have anything spare please drop it off at Cathedral House. Thank you in advance.

CATHOLIC PICTORIAL

The July issue of the Catholic Pic is now available in print and online. You can find a copy at the back of the Cathedral and Crypt. The latest edition is also available to download at: <https://bit.ly/3OpL3V0>

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

There will be lots of volunteers required for when the Cathedral receives the relics of St Bernadette in September. If you are willing and able to play some part in this historic visit please email c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk and note in the email your availability between Saturday 17 September – Monday 20 September.

When more details of what is required become available we will arrange a meeting with those who have volunteered. **Please note that a meeting for all volunteers to assist us has been arranged for Wednesday 7 September 2022 at 7.00pm.**




Last week's collection: **£1,214 9.00**

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