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Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 27 November 2022

Sunday 27 November

First Sunday of Advent

9.00am Mass Cathedral

10.00am Mass Crypt

11.00am Mass * Cathedral

5.00pm Advent Sequence

* This Mass will be streamed live on Youtube

7.00pm Mass Crypt

Monday 28 November

7.45am Morning Prayer

8.00am Mass Crypt

12.15pm Requiem Mass BSC

5.00pm Mass Lady Chapel

Tuesday 29 November

7.45am Morning Prayer

8.00am Mass Crypt

12.15pm Requiem Mass BSC

5.00pm Mass Lady Chapel

Wednesday 30 November

St Andrew

7.45am Morning Prayer

8.00am Mass Crypt

12.15pm Mass Crypt

5.00pm Sung Mass Lady Chapel

Thursday 1 December

7.45am Morning Prayer

8.00am Mass Crypt

12.15pm Mass Crypt

5.00pm Sung Mass Lady Chapel

Friday 2 December

7.45am Morning Prayer

8.00am Mass Crypt

12.15pm Mass Crypt

5.00pm Sung Mass Lady Chapel

5.45pm Choral Evening Prayer

Saturday 3 December

St Francis Xavier

8.45am Morning Prayer

9.00am Mass BSC

5.00pm Vigil Mass

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 Derek Lloyd

Fr Chris McCoy

Fr Peter Murphy

DEACONS:

Rev Noel Abbott

Rev Paul Mannings



Cathedral Record

www.liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk

Deanery Synodal Council

Below is a report from our own Deanery Synodal Council. With having the Archbishop's Pastoral Letter for the First Sunday of Advent it was decided to print the report in the newsletter rather than having it read out as well. The Cathedral has 2 representatives on our Deanery Council. They are Fr Peter and Mr Paul Cooper.

An Update from the Deanery

It seems so long ago since Archbishop Malcolm began Synod 2020, and we all came together to answer questions and discuss the type of church God was calling us to be.

Synod 2020 led on to the formation and launch of the Pastoral Plan, a plan that was based directly on what you were telling us during Synod 2020.

Since the launch of the Pastoral Plan, you could be forgiven for thinking that it had all gone away, but the opposite is true. There has been lots of changes brought about by the Pastoral Plan, mostly, so far, at Archdiocesan level. The composition of some of the Archbishop's advisory bodies has changed to include both lay women and men. The Pastoral Formation Department has changed into the Pastoral Development Department with specialist people brought in to oversee specific aspects of the Pastoral Plan.

Recently, directly as a result of the Pastoral Plan, each deanery now has a Deanery Synodal Council, with representatives from each parish attending the council. These councils have been formed to deal with two specific items of the six-point Pastoral Plan, those are

1) 'becoming a church that renews its organisational structures and administers its property to serve its mission' and

2) 'becoming a church that cares for its priests'.

We aim to do this by working in partnership with all the parishes in our deanery and by collaborating effectively with clergy to make improvements as to how we can efficiently use our buildings and priests to best serve the community and help us to reach the people on the margins.

As we do this, in order for us to be totally synodal, that is working towards a common purpose, we would like to tell you what we have been discussing at our meetings and ask for your feedback. The council meets roughly every six to eight weeks. This may mean your parish representative speaking to you at the end of Mass or through a section of the parish newsletter, and we would love to get feedback from you, in fact it is essential that you let us know what you think, so that any future changes will have been agreed on by everyone. You have been steadfast in your support for Synod so far, now you have a chance to be directly responsible for change, however minor.

Please take this chance to make a difference.

Tel: 0151 709 9222

Email: enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk

Cathedral Notice Board

MASS INTENTIONS

Nora Gardner (RIP), Victorine (Thanksgiving), Grace and Yan Bathy (Personal Intentions), Jeffrey Wallace (1st RIP Anniversary), Gladys O'Brien (RIP), K Webb (Private Intention), Frances Burcher (RIP), Marc Hill (RIP), Gerard Webb (RIP), Holy Souls, People of Ukraine, Margaret Glennon (RIP), Mary McManus (RIP), Lucas Thomas (RIP), Patricia Hadley (RIP).

CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

Tickets are selling fast for our annual Christmas Carol Concert, "A Celebration of Christmas" which takes place on 10th December. We hope you can join us for a very special evening of carols, readings and festive cheer. Our Cathedral Choir will be joined by some very special guests and everyone, young and old, are warmly welcome.

Tickets are available from www.ticketsource.co.uk/metcathedraledral or from the Cathedral Welcome desk Monday to Saturday.

LGBTQ+ CATHOLICS

The next gathering and Mass will be on Sunday 11th December 2022 here at All Saints Anfield. There will be a social gathering after Mass. Mass will begin at 2.00pm. For more information, please contact Canon Stephen Maloney frsmaloney@aol.co.uk

WARM AND COSY

During the winter months, parish centres across the archdiocese will be open to all as 'warm and cosy' hubs. There will be free

tea, coffee and biscuits with access to TV and wifi and friendly company in a safe and warm space. The centres will be open from 1.00 pm-3.30 pm but opening days will vary, please see the link for more details and information on other places in the archdiocese offering similar support:

<http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/index.php?p=2561>

ST EDWARD'S COLLEGE

Please support the Sixth formers of St Edward's College, who are helping fundraise for our Cathedral, by running a piety stall at Sunday 11am Mass. They have a selection of cards, calendars and religious gifts for Christmas.

COULD YOU BE A DEACON?

As we start to implement our new pastoral Plan which sets out concrete actions to change our ways of working so that our Church become more inclusive, more welcoming and more engaged with those on the margins, the ministry of deacons will continue to evolve alongside the presbyterial ministry in the service of the priesthood of all the baptised. If you would like to hear more about this important vocation please join Archbishop Malcolm and the diaconate team at our meetings for men who may be wondering if they are called to serve as deacons and what the formation involves. Wives and supporting priests or deacons are also welcome. **Meeting is: Tuesday 29 November 2022** at 7.30pm – 9.00pm (refreshments from 7pm) at Christ the King Church, Queens Drive, Wavertree, Liverpool, L15 6YQ

For more information, please email p.rooney@rcaol.org.uk

PRAYERS PLEASE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mrs Gladys O'Brien, Fr Tony's mum who died last week. Her Requiem Mass will be at 12.15pm on Monday. May she rest in peace.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

You are invited to buy a Christmas flower in memory of a departed loved one by placing £5 and the name of the person in an envelope and leaving it at the reception at Cathedral House or give it to one of the Cathedral clergy. The 10.00am Family Mass on Sunday 1 January 2023 will be offered for all their names.

CHRISTMAS AT THE CATHEDRAL

Please collect a flier from the back of the Cathedral and Crypt detailing all the services and concerts during Advent and Christmas time.

WOMEN'S REFUGE

Our appeal for toiletries, nightwear, toys for children, chocolates and other new items for the Women's Refuge has started. Anything you can spare for the women and their families will be appreciated.

PASTORAL LETTER

There are copies of the Pastoral Letter at the back of the Crypt Chapel and the Cathedral for you to take home.

NEWS FROM SAINT NICHOLAS' ACADEMY

With Advent approaching quickly children and staff have begun to practise in earnest their Christmas plays over the last week or so. For us all here in school there is always something very magical and awe inspiring at this time of year when we hear the voices of young children singing carols and practising their class's Christmas Play.

CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY TO THE LIVERPOOL HOSPITAL

"I was sick and you cared for me..."

The Catholic Chaplaincy to the Liverpool Hospitals, is looking for new volunteers to join our team. Volunteers often enjoy visiting patients and their families on the wards. These visits can include praying with patients, and bringing them Holy Communion, or simply having a chat. It is possible to volunteer just a few hours one morning or afternoon each week. Full training and support will be given. You don't have to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. If you are interested in this very rewarding opportunity, please contact Fr Peter by email peter.murphy@rlbuht.nhs.uk or by calling 0151 706 2828.

MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT

An opportunity is available for an experienced maintenance worker to assist with the day-to-day maintenance, repairs and general upkeep of the interior and exterior of the Metropolitan Cathedral. This is a permanent post, working full time, Monday to Friday, 8.00am-4.00pm. To apply, visit www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/jobs or telephone 0151 522 1102 for an application pack.

Last week's collection: **£1,160.35**



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

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