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Peace Sunday

This Sunday's readings continue on from last week, the feast of the Lord's baptism. Through the Lord's acceptance of His mission, God's salvation is to reach the whole world. As the church we are sanctified by the Lord to carry that good news and show forth the light of Christ through the witness of our lives. 'He will make us the light of the nations to bring God's salvation to the whole world'. As this is Peace Sunday today may we commit ourselves to be people of peace and as a church work for peace through justice and dialogue.

We remember with prayer and fondness Sister Anthony Wilson whose funeral service takes place this week at the Notre Dame convent in Woolton. Sister Anthony ran the Cathedral Art Studio for many years following a long career teaching at Mount Pleasant teacher training college. She retired from involvement here almost ten years ago. She was responsible for designing many of the vestments and the various tapestries within the Cathedral and the Crypt. In her earlier years Sister Anthony would be present in the Sacristy on important celebrations making sure that we were all coordinated and dressed appropriately and even Archbishops did as they were told. She was an extremely gifted person and managed to gather teams of people to work with her, creating hangings and vestments for the Cathedral and many parishes throughout the Diocese. We give thanks for her years of service to the Cathedral and pray for the repose of her soul.

We begin the week of prayer for Christian unity from 18th to 25th January. The theme for prayer this year is 'Be -Longing, praying for unity amidst injustice'. We will be joining with Liverpool Cathedral next Sunday afternoon at 3pm for a joint service of choral evening prayer as part of

this week of prayer. The service this year will take place in Liverpool Cathedral. Fr Derek has drawn the short straw to be the guest preacher for this occasion. Being a fan of royalty the other clergy are wondering whether Prince Harry may get a mention in Fr Derek's homily – you will need to come along to find out! The blessing printed below is based on an ancient Franciscan Prayer of blessing on the theme for our prayer this year.

May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths and superficial relationships, so that you may live deeply within your heart.

May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression and exploitation of people so that you may work for justice, freedom and peace.

May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer pain, rejection, hunger and war so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and turn their pain into joy.

And May God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in the world. So that you can do what others claim cannot be done to bring justice and kindness to our children and the poor. Amen

Canon Anthony O'Brien Cathedral Dean

Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 15 January 2023

Sunday 15 January

Baptism of the Lord

9.00am Mass Cathedral
10.00am Mass Crypt
11.00am Mass * Cathedral
3.00pm Epiphany Carol Service
 * This Mass will be streamed live on Youtube
7.00pm Mass Crypt

Monday 16 January

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass BSC
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.00pm Mass BSC

Tuesday 17 January

St Anthony

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass BSC
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.00pm Mass BSC

Wednesday 18 January

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass BSC
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.00pm Sung Mass BSC

Thursday 19 January

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass BSC
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.00pm Sung Mass BSC

Friday 20 January

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass BSC
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.00pm Sung Mass BSC
5.45pm Choral Evening Prayer

Saturday 21 January

St Agnes

8.45am Morning Prayer
9.00am Mass BSC
5.00pm Vigil Mass BSC

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

Crypt

Crypt Chapel

SS -

55 Seel St,
 Missionaries of
 Charity

RLUH -

Royal Liverpool
 University Hospital

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Karl Kidd (RIP), Geoffrey Daulman (RIP), Ian Fossard (Special Intentions), Eleanor Rose (Special Intentions), Eileen Tootle (RIP, Agnes Anastasia Johnson (RIP), Shaun Corrigan, Ted Corrigan, Michael Howarth (RIP), Betty and Aidan McDonald (In Memory), Margaret Clegg (RIP), Gerard Webb (RIP), Holy Souls, People of Ukraine, Bernard Wise (RIP), Iroma Wise (RIP), Joseph Wise (RIP), Ruby Mortier (RIP), Antoinette Mortier (RIP), Zaidie Mortier (RIP), Iris Mortier (RIP), Christopher Clinch (RIP), Pat Feeney (RIP), Fr Chris (Birthday).

NEWS FROM SAINT NICHOLAS' ACADEMY

As we start the new school term we talk with the children about new beginnings, the new year starting and new year resolutions being made after reflecting about what we could improve upon or do that bit extra. We have started a staff food donation box this week which I am sure will be filling up very quickly with donations from our staff with all the tins and packets of food items contributed going to local food banks/shelters.

NOTE FROM NUGENT

We sometimes receive a gift that was given with love but it is something we will never use or just don't want, or we get two of the same thing. It may be a toiletry set that we don't use, two separate gifts of a pair of slippers or just a gift that we know we will never use. Although you all give wonderful

and thoughtful presents you know the sort of thing – your great auntie gives you a floral oven glove and matching tea towels, or the neighbours give you something that they clearly didn't want from last years presents! A great way of continuing the spirit of the Christmas gifts is to pass them on to Nugent where they will be sold in the charity shop or used directly in their services. It's also a great way of honouring the original gift giver and continues the joy of Christmas. Also at this time we have received new gifts that we actually want and keep and so are sorting out space in our cupboards and shelves and now have donations of clothes, books, handbags, bric-a-brac etc. So once again please bring in your unwanted gifts and good quality spare items and we will donate them to Nugent. If you have any such items please pass in to Cathedral House or Security Office and we and we will ensure they get passed on. Thanks.

CATHOLIC PICTORIAL

The January issue of the Catholic Pic is now available in print and online. The latest edition is available to download at tinyurl.com/bdhud3d9

CATHEDRAL READERS

Cathedral Readers required - Come and Share the Liturgy of the Word! Would you like to join our group of readers at the many masses here at the Cathedral? We would love to hear from you and require new readers to join our team in this important role for all Masses. No experience is required, all you need is a clear voice! For more information please contact Danielle Myerscough dmmyerscough@gmail.com or 07919894918

VOCATIONS WEEKEND FOR WOMEN

Theme: Discerning God's Call in your life

Dates: 3-5 Feb 2023

Location: London

The weekend is organised by the Sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ).

Jesus invites each of us to 'Come and See' - this weekend will give the opportunity to explore the vocation to religious life and to reflect on God's call to you.

If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more why not come along? You are welcome to stay for the weekend or just come along on Saturday for the day. There will be opportunity for prayer, reflection and input, chance to ask questions and to meet others who are also wondering where God is calling them.

For more information contact Sr Lynne fcJ at fcjvocationeurope@gmail.com or visit our website www.fcjsisters.org

COULD YOU BE A DEACON?

Archbishop Malcolm will be hosting another Diaconate Information Evening on **Wednesday 8th February, 7.30-9.00pm in the Parish Centre at St George's, Station Road, Maghull, L31 3DF, with refreshments available from 7.00pm.**

The evening is open to anyone who would like to find out more about the diaconate, especially men who are wondering if they may be called to this ministry.

Wives and supporting priests and deacons are also very welcome. For more information, email Fr Chris Fallon, c.fallon@rcaol.org.uk or Deacon Paul Rooney, p.rooney@rcaol.org.uk.

PAX CHRISTI

This Sunday, 15th January, is Peace Sunday. Archbishop McMahon will celebrate the 11am Solemn Mass and Pax Christi the Catholic Peace movement will have a stall in the foyer with resources and information.

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>

PRAYERS PLEASE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sr Anthony Wilson who died peacefully on New Year's Day. Sr Anthony, Artistic Director at the Cathedral for many, many years will be remembered fondly by many of the Cathedral family. Her funeral will be on Tuesday 17 January 2023 at Notre Dame Convent, Childwall.

Last week's collection: **£924.36**



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