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Cathedral Record

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Corpus Christi

Today's feast is set aside for us to honour Christ's presence in the Sacrament of the Eucharist and remind us how central this is to our faith.

which the sacrifice of Christ in his death on the Cross is not only remembered but made again a living reality. Here we gather at the foot of that Cross. Here we receive again its fruits: the Father's mercy, our forgiveness.

In our first reading from Deuteronomy Moses reminded the people that through their long years of wandering through the desert that they had to rely on God's provision of water from the rock and manna sent down from heaven. They had come to know the Lord as the giver of all that was necessary for food and life.

At the end of this Mass, as at every Mass, we will be sent out to fulfil the task given to us by the Lord. Today as you leave, glancing back towards this great Cathedral, please remember that it is built on the site of the Liverpool Workhouse, which stood here from 1771 to 1928. In 1900, for example, over 4,000 poor people were housed on this site, in conditions which were very harsh, even if not quite punitive. Remember, too, that Catholic priests were often refused entry and could not fulfil their ministry to the poorest of their people. These foundations can serve to remind us that our first mission is to those who today are poor and forgotten, who are on the margins, the very ones who are indeed the most beloved of Christ our King. In fulfilling this mission no obstacle, misunderstanding or hostility should ever deflect us from our purpose.'

In today's Gospel Jesus refers to himself as the true Bread of heaven. The manna of the Old Testament only sustained the people for a short time where this 'bread from heaven' will sustain us for eternal life. For anyone who eats this bread will live forever. By this food the Eucharist draws us into communion with the Risen Christ and with all who partake of this divine sustenance.

On this Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ I want to conclude the Record with a few paragraphs from Cardinal Nichols homily at our Cathedral Golden Jubilee Mass as a reflection for this Solemnity. He had shared some of his memories of the significant events, that he witnessed here as a priest of the Archdiocese and then referred to the celebration of the Eucharist as a memorial *"For us, however, the word memory has a far deeper and more remarkable meaning. Here, in this Cathedral as in every Catholic Church, we not only remember, but we make real again. Our 'remembering' of the person of Jesus, makes him present to us in his words and actions, in a real and vivid way.*

At the focal point of every church, seen so vividly as in this cathedral, lies the altar, the place at

Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 11 June 2023

Sunday 11 June

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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

Monday 12 June

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

Tuesday 13 June

St Anthony of Padua
7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass BSC
12.15pm Mass BSC
5.00pm Mass BSC

Wednesday 14 June

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

Thursday 15 June

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

Friday 16 June

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass BSC
12.15pm Mass BSC
5.00pm Sung Mass BSC
5.30pm Choral Evening Prayer

Saturday 17 June

Immaculate Heart of Mary

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

Please note that there are no Confessions on Holy Days.

Crypt
Crypt Chapel

BSC
Blessed Sacrament Chapel

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MASS INTENTIONS

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RCIA - MASS FOR THE NEW CATHOLICS

The Mass for the New Catholics will take place on 21st June 2023 at the Metropolitan Cathedral at 7pm. Anyone who has been involved in the RCIA journey would be very welcome to attend. If you have any further questions, please email rcia@rcaol.org.uk.

CATHEDRAL GUIDES WANTED!

Thursday Voluntary Guiding and Welcoming at the Cathedral. We are seeking three volunteers, one for mornings (10-1) and two for afternoons (1-4) who would like to join our voluntary team to work at the welcome desks or to conduct guides tours, or both! If you could give us a regular commitment to Thursdays we would love to hear from you. Deacon Paul Mannings: p.mannings@rcaol.org.uk

TEA AFTER ELEVEN

Tea and Coffee served with an opportunity to have a chat with old friends and make new acquaintances will take place in the Gibberd Room after the Solemn Mass every Sunday. All are warmly welcomed. Please do come along.

CATHEDRAL WALKING GROUP

DATE: Saturday 22 July 2023
TIME: 10am
MEETING PLACE: Refreshment Rooms, 2 Bedford Rd E, Birkenhead CH42 1LS phone 0151 644 5893
TRAIN: Rock Ferry (and then a 15 min walk to meeting place- use Google maps or ask for directions from organiser)
CONTACT: David and Dee Stevens 07578831431 or 97879995127
BRING: picnic lunch, drinks though coffee can be bought at Port Sunlight. Comfy shoes, appropriate clothing for English weather systems. This walk will leave Refreshment Rooms and follow the path by the River Mersey through the Rock Park Estate of villas from the 1800s. From there, we will visit River Park and pause to enjoy the views to Liverpool and surroundings from the top. We continue to Port Sunlight where we'll stop for coffee/refreshments and rest rooms. We continue around Port Sunlight village sharing knowledge of its history and pointing out places of interest. We return to River Park and find a spot to picnic. Finally, we descend and follow the promenade to Refreshment Rooms once again. All in all, we estimate it's about 7 miles gentle terrain and climbs on mixed footpaths taking approximately 3-4 hours depending on pace and weather.

MASS TRANSFER

Please note that the 12.15pm Mass will take place in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, and not the Crypt all next week. Apologies for any inconvenience.

MUSIC FOR A KING CONCERT

The joint choirs of Liverpool Cathedral & Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral join together in a festive programme of 'Music for a King' in this coronation year. Coronation classics by Handel (Zadok the priest), Parry (I was glad) and Walton (Crown Imperial) are presented alongside Charles-Marie Widor's Messe à deux chœurs et deux orgues. Don't miss this rare opportunity to hear the combined choirs of Liverpool's two cathedrals in concert together. Saturday 8 July, 19.30. www.ticketsource.co.uk/metcathedral

WALK OF WITNESS

There will be a walk of witness in honour of Fr. James Nugent on Sunday 2nd July at 4:00 pm beginning in the grounds of SFX church and ending with a small service at the statue of Fr. James Nugent in St. John's gardens. This annual event is organised by the Social Concerns group, operating out of St. Michaels and Sacred Heart parish but comprising of members from many different parishes. It is to honour Fr. Nugent who was the patron of the Pastoral Area and will be the patron of our new Deanery. All welcome.

Cantonese Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

We extend a warm invitation to individuals aged 18 and above who are interested in exploring and deepening their understanding of the Catholic faith. All fellow believers are

also welcome to join us on this journey of Catholic faith. Period: 5th September 2023 – 19th May 2024. The RCIA program consists of two components:

1. ZOOM Meetings: Tuesdays, 8-9:30 pm, throughout the program period; AND
2. Physical Gatherings: on 3rd Saturday of each month at the Metropolitan Cathedral, Christ the King (Mt. Pleasant, Liverpool L3 5TQ)

The language medium for the program is Cantonese. For all enquiries please contact Flora on 0740 3489931.

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LUTYENS CRYPT

— LIVERPOOL'S BEST KEPT —

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