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Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 18 June 2023

Sunday 18 June

11th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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 19 June

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

Tuesday 20 June

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

Wednesday 21 June

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

Thursday 22 June

Sts John Fisher and Thomas

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

Friday 23 June

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

Saturday 24 June

The Birth of St John the Baptist

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

RLUH -
Royal Liverpool University Hospital

CLERGY:

PRIESTS:
Canon Anthony O'Brien Dean
Fr Derek Lloyd
Fr Peter Murphy

DEACONS:
Rev Noel Abbott
Rev Paul Mannings



Cathedral Record

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New Bishop of Hexham and Newcastle

On Wednesday 14 June 2023, His Holiness Pope Francis appointed Rt Rev. Stephen Wright as the Fifteenth Bishop of the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. On hearing the news of his appointment Bishop Stephen said:

"My grace is enough for you" (2 Cor 12:9) were the words of Scripture that I prayed most about when I was first appointed a Bishop. Those comforting words of St Paul reflecting on his own weaknesses have been in my heart and mind again, as I accept the Lord's call to serve the diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. I confess to being somewhat daunted. The ministry of a diocesan Bishop is onerous. I will be serving in an area I am not familiar with, and I am painfully aware that you have suffered hurt and shock in recent months. But I trust that God's grace is indeed enough for us all when we accept it into our hearts and minds, co-operate with it and serve. The Lord sends us all out to be his missionary disciples. To serve as he served. Please, your prayers are a powerful part of that grace. Please pray for the whole diocesan family every day. Please pray for me each day as I will pray for you all.

A Bishop is called to care for the People of God entrusted to him like Christ the Good Shepherd. My first acts are to listen to you, to learn from you and discern with the whole diocesan family how we worship the Lord and serve in our local communities. I look forward with joy to meeting you all in the weeks and months ahead; to see how the grace of God is alive in our parishes, our schools, our religious and lay communities, our youth ministry, our Caritas work, and in all the many ministries and communities across the Diocese. I want to discern with you how the Holy Spirit is calling us to be a synodal Church. I look forward to meeting and working with our sisters and brothers of other Christian traditions, of other faiths and none and the wider society here in the North-East.

My heart and mind will always be a Parish Priest. Although the ministry of a Bishop is different with other burdens and joys, I am delighted that at its heart a Bishop's ministry is like that of a Parish Priest. Stand

with your people. Know them, serve them. Do not lord it over them.

In November 2021, Pope Francis preached, "Blessed is the Bishop who considers his ministry a service and not a power, making meekness his strength, giving to all the right of citizenship in his own heart, so as to inhabit the land promised to the meek." Please, pray that I will be faithful to that call to serve you.

As your Bishop it is essential that I model best practice in safeguarding matters in my personal conduct and by following the national safeguarding policies. I welcome the diocesan safeguarding team and committee and the CSSA holding me to account in all the safeguarding work I am involved in. I will follow their expert informed advice. All clergy and other relevant appointments will be made by me after consultation with the safeguarding team and after any advice is received.

I accept Pope Francis' appointment to Hexham and Newcastle with joy, albeit a nervous joy at present. I look forward to being at home here with you soon and serving you. Please keep me in your prayers as you are in mine. Our Lady, pray for us. St Cuthbert, pray for us.

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP, Archbishop of Liverpool and Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle said:

I am delighted with the appointment of Bishop Stephen Wright as the new Bishop of Hexham and Newcastle. As the former Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham, Bishop Stephen brings pastoral experience and leadership skills to the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. Alongside Archbishop Bernard Longley, Bishop Stephen has played a senior role in safeguarding reviews in the Archdiocese of Birmingham. His time as Vicar General and Auxiliary Bishop has prepared him for this challenging role and he will bring vitality to the diocese. Bishop Stephen has my full prayers and support as he starts his new journey.

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Cathedral Notice Board

MASS INTENTIONS

Ailish and Dave McKenna (Golden Wedding Anniversary), Angela Monks (Get Well), Catherine Galvin (RIP), Veronica Hanlon (RIP), Mary Jacob (Birthday Remembrance), Neil Warren (RIP), Mary Clegg (RIP), Ian Lavery (RIP), Gerard Webb (RIP), Carl Petersen (RIP), Holy Souls, People of Ukraine, Graham Sabino (RIP), Fr Ged Callacher (Ordination Anniversary), Margaret Townson (RIP), Mary Curran and Family (Thinking of You), Keane Family (Thinking of You), McKenna Family (Thinking of You), Winnie Hanlon and Family (Thinking of You).

MRS VERONICA HANLON

Please remember in your prayers Claire's mum, Veronica Hanlon, who passed away last Tuesday. Veronica never recovered from the shock of losing her youngest daughter Kate, who died on Christmas Day. The pain of this loss seriously had affected her health over the last few months. Claire is grateful for all your support and prayers at this time leading up to her mum's funeral in her home parish in Oxford at the end of the month. May she rest in peace.

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.

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 at 7.30pm.
www.ticketsource.co.uk/metcathedral

PRIESTS LIVE IN CONCERT

The Priests will be performing live in concert on Thursday 12 October at the Metropolitan Cathedral. The concert is part of the celebrations to mark the centenary year of the Liverpool to Lourdes pilgrimage, and also to support the work of the Cathedral Friends. Tickets are £25. For group bookings please ring 07860 129589 or email theprietsliverpool@hotmail.com (Booking fees may apply).

NEWS FROM SAINT NICHOLAS' CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Over the last few weeks staff in school have been busy writing their class's end of year reports for the children to take home very soon. The reports are given to me to read through and sign off whilst writing a comment on.

The ones I have read so far this week just serve to remind me how much our fabulous children achieve in a school year and the progress they make in so many ways, not just academic progress but in so many other areas too. It's always such a pleasure to witness all the progress achieved.

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 contact Flora on 0740 3489931.

CATHEDRAL EDUCATION SERVICE

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 for an informal conversation and more information.

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