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St Nicholas' Farewells

Liverpool Hope University have been hosting a Conference over the last few days arranged by the Bishops Conference for Evangelisation and Discipleship entitled 'The Art of Accompaniment'. We welcome many of the participants who represent the various Dioceses across England and Wales who will be joining us for mass this Sunday at 11am.

very least £5 if they can afford it, that seems to be what is seen as the cost of a mass. The purchasing power of £5 now to what it was all those years ago is considerably less these days. From September I am proposing that we will advise people who are having mass cards signed by us that the usual offering should be at least £10 if they can afford it.

At present the Golden Book office is closed whilst we await the updating of the online recording systems and the central permission to appoint a part time member of staff. I apologise that this seems to be taking such a long time and causing some distress we have tried to communicate the urgent need of this without much progress so far!

I also wanted to raise the matter of offerings for Mass Intentions for your attention. When I was asked recently what was the charge to have a mass said I replied that it wasn't a charge but that the person would make an offering which would range from a few pounds to £20. I obviously didn't explain it very well as they quickly responded by asking what was the price. So I admitted defeat and replied £5! Some forty years ago as a young priest the generally accepted minimum offering for a mass intention was £2. Within a few years it became generally accepted that £5 was a more suitable offering to the priest for offering mass for that intention. The original historical purpose of the gift for the offering of mass was to support the upkeep for that priest for the day. Many people who come for mass cards currently, particularly if they are not familiar with church, simply see the payment as a set charge of £5 for having a mass said. As much as we try to explain that there isn't a set cost but rather an offering which would be at the

This Tuesday at 10am, St Nicholas Primary School will celebrate their end of term mass in the Cathedral at 10am. This year not only will they be saying farewell to the children of Year 6 who will be moving on to Secondary School after the summer. The head teacher Mr Martin Davies will be retiring at the end of term after a long and distinguished career in education and the Deputy Head Mr Danny Lee will be moving on to a senior position in another primary school. There will be lots of farewells and thanks and changes within the life of the school at this time.

There will be a special Chapter Mass on Wednesday at 12.15. Archbishop Paul Gallagher, who is currently Secretary of Relations with States at the Vatican will here in his home Diocese to be enrolled as an honorary Canon of the Diocese by Archbishop Malcolm.

We offer our congratulations and prayer to Peter Ross who was on placement here at the Cathedral 18 months ago as a seminary student. Peter was due to be ordained a deacon at Oscott College in Birmingham yesterday, Saturday 1st July.

Canon Anthony O'Brien Cathedral Dean

Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 2 July 2023

Sunday 2 July 12th 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 3 July St Thomas

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

Tuesday 4 July

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

Wednesday 5 July

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

Thursday 6 July

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

Friday 7 July

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

Saturday 8 July

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

CLERGY:

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Fr Peter Murphy

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Cathedral Notice Board

MASS INTENTIONS

Mary Clegg (RIP), Charles, Veronica and Charles Allen (Anniversary), Rose Langan (Get Well), Rita and Daniel McCaughly (Special Intentions), Carmel and Bill Antrobus (Intentions), Maria Jovita Sembiring (70th Birthday), Mgr Joachim Ndayen of Bangui (RCA) (RIP), Veronica Hanlon (RIP), Lorraine Lees (RIP), Kathleen Cassidy (RIP), Marie O'Neill (70th Birthday Remembrance), Royan Lawler (RIP), Jamie Connolly (RIP), Rose Murphy (RIP), Fr Abdullah (Ordination), Ronnie Moore (RIP), Gerard Webb (RIP), Carl Petersen (RIP), Holy Souls, People of Ukraine, Francis Joseph Billington (RIP), Fr Richard Reid CSSR (Silver Jubilee).

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.

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 will include maintenance of the surrounding grounds and aiding others to ensure the smooth running of all events in the Cathedral and Crypt. This is a permanent post, working full time, Monday to Friday, 8.00am-4.00pm. Candidates must have empathy with the ethos and mission of the Roman Catholic Church and a commitment to the work undertaken by all at the Metropolitan Cathedral. Applicants must have; experience of working in a similar role or trade background, excellent verbal and written skills, experience of managing and implementing maintenance programmes, the ability to identify problems and correct defects, and the ability to work at heights. Experience of working on buildings which are places of worship, or listed buildings would be advantageous. Closing date: Monday 10 July 2023 To apply, visit www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/jobs or telephone 0151 522 1102 for an application pack.

CAFOD: UPDATE ON THE CONFLICT IN SUDAN

Violent conflict continues in Sudan and thousands of people are running out of food, water and medicine. Working as part of the Caritas network, your previous donations to CAFOD are enabling our teams to provide practical help to families who have escaped to neighbouring countries, including South Sudan. Please join Pope Francis in praying

for peace in Sudan. Find out more on the CAFOD website: <https://cafod.org.uk/news/emergencies-news/sudan-conflict>

HIS EXCELLENCY ARCHBISHOP PAUL GALLAGHER

On Wednesday 5 July at 12.15pm there will be a Capitular Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral at which His Excellency Archbishop Paul Gallagher will be installed as an Honorary Canon of the Metropolitan Chapter of Liverpool. The Chapter of Canons is looking forward to welcoming Archbishop Paul back to his home diocese for this. All are very welcome to attend this special celebration.

YOUNG ADULTS

There will be a BBQ for young adults on Sunday 2nd July at Our Lady of Victories, Sandy Lane, Hightown, Merseyside, L38 3RP. There will be a Mass at 11am with the BBQ and party to follow. Bring something to Share. Hightown is a 25 minute train from Liverpool central. For more details contact James: djmoroney@cantab.net

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

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).

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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