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Plans for New Building

Hopefully by this weekend the new graphics will have been added to the external hoardings which will give people clearer directions and will enhance what is now a major worksite surrounding the former piazza café and shop and garden area. The big digging machinery has been on site for just over a month and we are now able to see the full state of the roof of the building and some of the condition of the steel structure and the damage that water ingress has made to the building. This work of uncovering and stripping out damaged and defective materials will continue until the end of October. We are now having to start to prepare plans for whatever building will replace the former café and gift shop.

I have shared with Archbishop Malcolm and the Diocesan Trustees a basic wish list from the Cathedrals perspective. This includes a new shop and café/restaurant. But would need to also include some form of Cathedral Welcome Desk and place for Information at the street level. Also the possibility of a lift from the ground up to the Cathedral level. Then there are questions such as should the Cathedral Offices be located within this building? Further requirement for space would require the need for another floor! Then there is the question as to whether the Diocese or the Cathedral will have any other needs or requirements for the future that we would need to accommodate on this site. All of

this is having to be considered at present weighed alongside the considerable costs that we have already incurred on this site and the future costs of a major rebuilding programme. As we move forwards I hope to put together a display with photographs of what has been done so far on this site and also with some first attempts of possible plans and layouts for a replacement building. If you have any suggestions or thoughts or suggestions regarding what should be included in the replacement building I would be happy to hear from you.

This coming week John Moores University Graduands will be gowning within the Crypt before going on to their Graduation Ceremonies at Liverpool Cathedral. The midday mass will be celebrated in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel throughout the week apart from Wednesday when it is in the Crypt Chapel. The new Vice Chancellor of Hope University, Claire Ozanne, will be formally Inaugurated at a ceremony here on Thursday at 2pm. Next weekend there will be a Cantonese Mass at 2pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel and on Sunday afternoon at 3pm there will be three candidates will be ordained to the Diaconate by Bishop Thomas Neylon.

Canon Anthony O'Brien Cathedral Dean

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Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 9 July 2023

Sunday 9 July 14th 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 10 July

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

Tuesday 11 July St Benedict

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

Wednesday 12 July

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

Thursday 13 July

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

Friday 14 July

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

Saturday 15 July

St Bonaventure
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:

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

DEACONS:
Rev Noel Abbott
Rev Paul Mannings

Cathedral Notice Board

MASS INTENTIONS

Josephine Miller (RIP), Billy Rudkin (RIP), Pamela Davies (RIP), Hannah Walsh (RIP), Mildred Brennan (RIP), Anthony Silernoe (RIP), Alan Hayes (Get Well), Collette Ross (Successful Treatment), Gerard Webb (RIP), Carl Petersen (RIP), Holy Souls, People of Ukraine, Winifred Tate (RIP), Estelle Cosgrove (RIP), Fr Adrian Lowe (Ordination Anniversary), Special Intention GB), Carol and Hugh Pinnington (Silver Wedding Anniversary), Jean New (Get Well), Rose Langan (Get Well), Barbara and Alex Abercrombie (Special Intentions), Catherine McGregor (RIP), Jennifer Hatch (RIP), The O'Donovan Family (Intentions).

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>

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

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.

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

MASS TRANSFER

Please note that the 12.15pm Mass will take place in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, and not the Crypt all next week. Apart from on Wednesday 12 July when it will be in the Crypt as usual. Apologies for any inconvenience.

NEWS FROM SAINT NICHOLAS' CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Last Tuesday Father Derek and Father Tony celebrated Mass for the whole school and we had a lovely Year 6 leavers assembly in the afternoon. The parents of our Year 6 pupils joined us too. The assembly showcased all their achievements and memories of their time with us here at school. They're about to go to their secondary schools in September and whilst this was quite an emotional assembly there is a mix of excitement for the future tinged with sadness for what they are leaving behind and know so well. We wish them all the very best for September and will miss them when they leave us.

Last week's collection: **£1,391.00**



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