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# Cathedral Record

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## Relics Visit

With all the children now back at school for the start of the new academic year, sadly the holidays are over for another year for most people and the Cathedral is back to full strength with the normal full schedule of worship. We mark this new beginning with an act of renewal and rededication to our various ministries and involvement in Cathedral life at the celebrations of Mass this Sunday. We ask for the Lord's blessing on the Cathedral as we begin this new academic year.

The external works at the Cathedral have progressed apace over the summer period and we now have ditches and mounds all over the site preparing the way for concrete footings for a new access ramp to the Cathedral and making the grounds ready for the design of the new café and gift shop facility. This first phase of work will be concluded in a couple of weeks and then the planning and design process gets into full swing to move the whole project forward. This is the stage that will be both exciting and yet will also bring with it questions re affordability and how the project will be financed.

As the choir term gets underway the Choir Association are holding their Annual General Meeting on Sunday afternoon after Choral Evening Prayer – the meeting is open to all members of the Association. There will also be a meeting on Tuesday evening for all the new probationers and their parents on Tuesday evening.

On Thursday evening St Edward's College are holding their Annual Prize Giving Ceremony at the Cathedral.

This coming Saturday there is a Whisky Festival in the Crypt Hall and I noticed that the spelling of whisky in the adverts included an E – spelt whiskey. This sparked a bit of controversy in Cathedral House when I asked if the products were from Scotland or from Ireland – Irish whiskey has an e and Scottish whisky is without the e. I was told it didn't really matter as it all tastes the same and there were probably both countries whiskies on offer. As I wasn't going to be at the event I didn't comment further. However, it didn't really acknowledge the proud tradition that both countries have in relation to the spirits they produce.

This proud tradition of both countries is most strongly felt in honouring their patron saints and next week we host a visit of the relics of three Scottish Saints to our Cathedral. These three saints are St Andrew the Apostle, St Columba, a 6<sup>th</sup> Century Monk from Donegal who established a monastery on Iona and spread the faith through Scotland and Northern England. Also, Saint Margaret of Scotland, Queen of Scotland in 11<sup>th</sup> Century who was renowned for her piety, her charity and renewing the church within her domain. There will be a Mass of Reception of the Relics on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September at 5pm celebrated by Bishop Tom Naylor. The Relics will remain in the Cathedral for personal prayer and veneration until Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> with the visit concluding with Mass at 12.15pm. All welcome.

**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 10 September 2023

#### Sunday 10 September 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

**9.00am** Mass Cathedral  
**10.00am** Mass Crypt  
**11.00am** Mass \* Cathedral  
**3.00pm** Choral Evening Prayer  
\* This Mass will be streamed live on Youtube  
**7.00pm** Mass Crypt

#### Monday 11 September

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

#### Tuesday 12 September

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

#### Wednesday 13 September Saint John Chrysostom

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

#### Thursday 14 September Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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

#### Friday 15 September

**Our Lady of Sorrows**  
**7.45am** Morning Prayer  
**8.00am** Mass BSC  
**12.15pm** Mass Cathedral  
**5.00pm** Sung Mass BSC  
**5.30pm** Choral Evening Prayer

#### Saturday 16 September Saints Cornelius and Cyprian

**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

Philip Carol (RIP), Vera Duffy (RIP), Lorraine Jacob (RIP Anniversary), Charlie McCarroll (RIP), Michael Esther (RIP), Margaret Hessler (RIP), Gerard Webb (RIP), Carl Petersen (RIP), Holy Souls, People of Ukraine, Eddy O'Neill (Birthday Remembrance).

## SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP) AT THE CATHEDRAL

From September we shall begin the process of growing an SVP team (aka a conference) here at the Cathedral that will serve our parish in its provision for those in need, through home visits and charitable outreach. This has been the essential work of SVP conferences for nearly 190 years. Our aim is to we gather a group of people who may be interested in learning more and hopefully becoming involved. Details will follow, after the summer break.

## NATIONAL HERITAGE WEEK

Three of Liverpool's historic Catholic Churches will be open to visitors on the second weekend of National Heritage week. St Anne's Church, the Church of St Vincent de Paul and St Patrick's Church will all be open on Saturday 16th September and St Anne's will also be open on Sunday 17th. Visitors will be able to take a guided tour round each of these churches. For more information please visit [www.heritageopendays.org.uk](http://www.heritageopendays.org.uk)

## BE PART OF OUR CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY

Would you like to join our voluntary team of Cathedral Guides and Welcomers? If so, we would love to have you on board! We have a large group that needs to be even bigger. Our request is for volunteers to cover one three-hour duty period each week, 10-1 or 1-4, selected from Mondays to Saturdays. You might prefer to focus on meeting, greeting, and dealing with enquiries at our welcome desks. Alternatively, you may like to show people around our Cathedral and Crypt, or perhaps combine the two roles. We would train you in advance and on the job. You would be subject to an advanced DBS enhanced clearance. Interested? Please contact me directly: Deacon Paul Mannings [p.mannings@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:p.mannings@rcaol.org.uk)

## CATHEDRAL FRIENDS MEAL

The Cathedral Friends invite you and your friends to a Chinese Food & Wine Pairing Menu on Tuesday 7 November 2023 at 7.00pm. The cost is £55 per head with complimentary wines to accompany each course. Join us for a unique style of Northern Chinese cuisine with a welcome drink on arrival at the Yuet Ben which literally means 'Welcome Honored Guest' on 1 Upper Duke Street. Please register your interest for what will be a wonderful, interesting and tasty evening by emailing [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk) and details of how to make payment will be sent to you.

## PLEASE NOTE

Mass on Friday 15 September at 12.15pm will take place in the Cathedral and not the Crypt. Requiem Mass for Mark Sullivan. May he rest in peace.

## CHRISTMAS BY CANDLELIGHT

Friday 22 December 2023  
7.00pm

Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King, Crypt Concert Room. We are planning a really special evening of Christmas cheer, and would love you to be a part of it! Set by candlelight in the beautiful Crypt Concert Room we will be serving a delicious two-course Christmas supper prepared and served at your table by Horseradish, one of the Cathedral's preferred caterers. A delicious Christmas feast will be specially designed for you by one of the team of 5\* and Michelin experienced chefs. Following a welcome drink of fizz on arrival you will be able to sit back and listen to the Cathedral Youth Choir who will be singing some festive favourites. This will be the Christmas event not to be missed. If you would like to buy individual tickets or reserve a table for friends and family please email [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk) Tickets are limited and we do expect them to sell fast so get them today and leave the rest to us! Cost: £50.00 per person.

## 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](mailto:theprietsliverpool@hotmail.com) (Booking fees may apply).

## YOUNG ADULTS

Every Friday at 6pm there is a "lectio" prayer group for young adults. There is a short time of sharing the Sunday readings followed by snacks and social time and ending with night prayer. It's a friendly group and sometimes they also organise trips and retreats. The group is held down the road at St Vincent de Paul's Church, L1 5JN. If you want more information please contact James: [djmoroney@cantab.net](mailto:djmoroney@cantab.net) or 07394503911.

## Maybe you have spent time considering becoming a

**Catholic.** Here at the Cathedral there is a group of people who could support you and help you to discern whether or not this is the route you want to take. You may belong to another Christian denomination. You may be of another world faith or religion. Possibly you don't regard yourself as having any particular faith commitment. We call our process, Journey in Faith. For those wishing to become Catholic, the sessions lead to Reception into the Church at the next Easter Vigil in 2024. Yet there is no obligation to do so. Our gatherings are informal and carefully structured. Each year between us, we create a little community wherein we share and discuss. Why not come and join us? We meet on Monday evenings at 18.00 (until 19.15) at the Cathedral, beginning late in October. Prior to this we would like to gather our group and would love to hear from you any time from now! Email: Deacon Paul Mannings [p.mannings@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:p.mannings@rcaol.org.uk) Tel: 0151 709 9222 ext. 201 or 203.




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**LUTYENS CRYPT**  
— LIVERPOOL'S BEST KEPT —  
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Crypt Admission Charges: £5 Adult, £12 Family (2 adults + 2 children)