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# Cathedral Record

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## Divine Mercy Sunday

After the very busy and glorious Holy Week and Easter Sunday, we managed to have a few quieter days celebrating the Easter Octave. The pace of life picks up again this week. This Sunday, the Second Sunday of Easter is also Divine Mercy Day. Our service times return back to normal this coming week. Except for Thursday when the Chapter of Canons will be meeting here, therefore the 12.15 mass that day will be celebrated in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

The Solemnity of the Annunciation which would normally have been celebrated on 25<sup>th</sup> March didn't take place on that date this year as it fell in Holy Week, and neither could it be celebrated in the Octave of Easter. Hence the feast is transferred to this coming Monday which was the first possible date for it to take place. Historically it marked the beginning of springtime and a new year - so let's hope that the rains ease and we experience a few more sunny days having kept this joyful Marian Feast.

I would want to thank everyone involved in ministering, helping or preparing the Cathedral for the services over Holy Week and Easter. It is such an important, special and sacred time for us all and it can only be celebrated properly when we all work together. We had more people attending services over the Easter Weekend than any

over recent years! Once again thank you and may we all experience a real sense of joy and peace over this Easter Season.

During this time we especially pray to our Risen Lord for his peace which embraces justice and reconciliation. In an Easter Message on the situation in Gaza in the Holy Land Cardinal Vincent Nichols concluded with these words:

In Christian eyes, this is the land of Jesus. Gaza is the pathway taken by the Holy Family on their flight from death. Jesus returned. He entered the realm of hostility and death. In the Cross, his was a deep experience of abandonment. Yet he was raised from that darkness and holds put to us the light and pathway of reconciliation. He offers a security that no military power can match. A hunger for this reconciliation and peace is already inscribed in every human heart. May that longing overcome this terrible darkness, and be embodied in leaders who truly want peace, supported by people who will not allow that hope to be extinguished.

**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 7 April 2024

#### Sunday 7 April

##### Second Sunday of Easter

**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 8 April

##### The Annunciation of the Lord

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

#### Tuesday 9 April

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

#### Wednesday 10 April

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

#### Thursday 11 April

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

#### Friday 12 April

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

#### Saturday 13 April

**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  
Fr Anthony Lippo

**DEACONS:**  
Rev Noel Abbott  
Rev Paul Mannings

# Cathedral Notice Board

## MASS INTENTIONS

Carroll Byrne (RIP), Mary Barton (RIP), Vera McCarthen (RIP), Gerard Webb (RIP) and Carl Petersen (RIP), Sandi Alain (RIP), Ongouya Fifi (RIP), Osounda Seraphine (RIP), Itoua Angeliqye (RIP).

## LOCAL TALK

**Stuart England's Catholic Queens.** Speaker: Roger Mitchell. St. Helen's Parish Centre, Alexandra Road, Crosby L23 7TQ. The talk will start at 7.30pm, on Thursday 16th May, and will last for around 45 minutes leaving time for any questions. The Stuart period of British History lasted from the death of Elizabeth I, Queen of England (1603) to the death of Queen Anne, Queen of Great Britain (1714). There is no charge, but donations are welcome.

## JIGSAWS AND GAMES

We are looking for any unwanted jigsaws and games that you may have and are willing to donate to us? The seafarers who are often away from home for long periods of time are looking for these items to help pass the time when they are in port. Anything you can do to help would be appreciated. Please drop off at Cathedral House.

## GIBBERD ROOM

Please note that refreshments will be served in the Gibberd Room after the Solemn Mass on Sundays. All are welcome to come along and have a chat with friends and make new acquaintances. Everyone made to feel part of the Cathedral family.

## CATHEDRAL VACANCY

An opportunity is available for a cleaner to join the wider cleaning team based at the Metropolitan Cathedral, Mount Pleasant, Liverpool, L3 5TQ. This is a permanent post, requiring the successful candidate to undertake general cleaning duties to exceptionally high standards for clergy, staff and visitors. This vacancy is for 8 hours per week, Saturday and Sunday, 8.00am – 12.00pm each day. £4,334.72 per annum; 5 weeks holiday pro rata plus pension scheme are available. 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; cleaning experience, excellent interpersonal and communication skills, an ability to work unsupervised and on own initiative, ability to carry out verbal and written instructions, manual handling ability and a flexible approach to cleaning tasks undertaken. Closing date: Monday 8 April 2024. To apply visit [www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/careers](http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/careers) or telephone 0151 522 1101 for an application pack.

## CATHEDRAL GUIDES AND WELCOMERS

We are seeking two new voluntary adult members for Wednesdays (1pm-4pm) and Fridays (1pm- 4pm) respectively. If you would like to assist us at the welcome desk and/or conduct guided tours for our many visitors, we would be delighted to hear from you. Full training would be given. Please contact Deacon Paul: [p.mannings@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:p.mannings@rcaol.org.uk)

## CATHEDRAL EVENT

We would like to invite you and your friends and family to a wonderful dining experience in the Art School which is in Sugnall Street, just around the corner from the Philharmonic. We are delighted to be able to collaborate with Chef Paul Askew and his team and we have arranged with them to provide a two course meal with a glass of prosecco on arrival and an amuse bouche for just £50.00 per person. Chef Askew has a firm reputation as a pioneer of excellent modern British cuisine and this is a dining experience not to be missed! The date you need to keep in your diary is **Wednesday 19 June 2024**. Dinner will be served in The Lantern Room. We hope that you will book some tickets and come and enjoy a convivial evening in surroundings that are timeless and yet modern enjoying the company of new friends and old ones. To book your ticket and to arrange payment please contact Claire Hanlon at [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk)

## ANNUAL CIVIC MASS

**Sunday 21 April 2024 at 11.00am.** Celebrated by Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP. Light refreshments will be served in the Gibberd Room after Mass. If you are able to attend please RSVP to [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk)

## AN INTRODUCTION TO VATICAN II -

**Saturday 27 April -10am - 3pm**

Light of Truth, in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Liverpool, will be hosting a study day introducing the basics of Vatican II. This is the perfect opportunity to learn the basic concepts covered in Vatican II for anyone new to the document. This will take place in the Gibberd Room of the Metropolitan Cathedral. To sign up for this free event, visit this page: <https://archdioceseofliverpool.churchsuite.com/events/jaujdgx>

## EASTER EGG DONATIONS

We received a letter from one of the Women's Refuge that we delivered Easter Eggs to saying, 'With regard to your kind Easter Egg gifts. On behalf of all our residents and children here at \*\*\*\*\* House, we would like to thank your good selves and all involved for these donations. On speaking to our residents about your kind gesture, they reported back as usual that they were very grateful for these donations. Please pass on our thanks to your community for their kindness in remembering others at Easter.' A big Thank You for all those who donated.

## THE GOLDEN BOOK

Please note that from Easter each Golden Book entry will be £15 plus postage. Golden Book entries have been £10 since 1982, and currently we are not covering our costs. We know how much having people's names inscribed in our Golden Book means to you and we do hope you understand.




Last week's collection: **£2,470.00**

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Crypt Admission Charges: £5 Adult, £12 Family (2 adults + 2 children)