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Consecration of the Cathedral

We celebrate the Anniversary of the Consecration and opening of our Cathedral this coming week. Fifty-seven years ago on 13th May Bishop Augustine Harris consecrated the Altar and building and on 14th the Opening Ceremony and first public Mass took place.

Terry Duffy, the first Cathedral organist, and Professor John Rowntree. At 3pm there is a service of Choral Evening Prayer during which the organ will be re-dedicated. This will be followed by a recital by Mr Martin Baker and a reception in the Crypt.

This was how they introduced the new building in the brochure that was produced for the opening ceremony. "All over Europe, tall churches gather cities around their flanks. Even today they dwarf factories, town halls and palaces and slums. Many of these buildings are still it's cities proudest possession. These Cathedrals are temples that satisfy no purely human want. They were built to pray in and were themselves acts of prayer.....Now, for the second time in living memory, Liverpool- which is one of the great cities of the Kingdom-has raised such a shrine. And just as the old Cathedrals were daring, even revolutionary in their time, this new Cathedral of Christ the King is as contemporary as architects and engineers can make it. It rises over a city of vast achievement and tragic history."

Next Saturday children from the Cathedral parish will make their First Holy Communion at a midday Mass celebrated by Fr Derek. We pray that it will be a special day for all the children, that they will remember and not just as a special event but as the start of their regular relationship with Jesus, who is our bread of life.

Next Sunday Archbishop Malcolm will preside at the Solemn Mass for the Feast of Pentecost and he will confirm four candidates during the celebration.

Canon Anthony O'Brien Cathedral Dean

Over the years since the Cathedral opened it has truly been a gathering place where all the major achievements and tragedies and events of the city and within the life of the church have been celebrated.

There are special celebrations this Sunday afternoon to mark the Re-Dedication of the Cathedral organ now that the refurbishment work has been completed and all the various bedding in processes are now complete. There is a talk in the Gibberd Room from 2pm about the organ by

Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 12 May 2024

Sunday 12 May

Seventh Sunday of Easter

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

Monday 13 May

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

Tuesday 14 May

St Matthias

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

Wednesday 15 May

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

Thursday 16 May

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

Friday 17 May

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

Saturday 18 May

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

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MASS INTENTIONS

Winnie McHugh (RIP), Rachael Comerford (RIP), Eileen and Patrick Connole (RIP), Kathleen Allen (RIP), Agnes Gallagher (RIP), Bill O'Brien (RIP), Dennis Darley (RIP), Gerard Webb (RIP) and Carl Petersen (RIP).

2 CATHEDRAL'S PENTECOST CELEBRATIONS 2024

This year Pentecost Sunday 19th May 2024 will mark 100 years of Liverpool Cathedral and the 2 Cathedral Pentecost Service will be a family friendly event of celebration.

The event starts at 3pm at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral where Monsignor John Devine OBE will be preaching. Then everyone will be taking a pilgrimage walk down Hope Street and will receive a final blessing at Liverpool Cathedral. You can meet characters from the last 100 years during the event, enjoy a thanksgiving picnic at Liverpool Cathedral by bringing your own picnic or dining in the Welsford Bistro. It will be a family friendly event with live music and giant games. Please bring your friends.

VACANCY

Saint Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic Academy, Whiston are looking to appoint a Lay Chaplain. Details can be found at <https://www.pfcmat.org/Lay-Chaplain/>. Visits to the academy are welcomed. Deadline for applications is Wednesday 22nd May at noon.

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.

RECRUITMENT FOR BOY & GIRL CHORISTERS 2024

Do you know a child who would like to be a chorister at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King here in Liverpool?

The search is now on for our next generation of Boy and Girl choristers. All choristers are educated at Runnymede St Edward's Catholic Primary School and St Edward's College meaning that a first class Catholic chorister education for boys and girls in Liverpool is available at no cost. If you know of a Catholic family who might be interested in this wonderful opportunity, please share this information with them.

Full details of choristerships at the Metropolitan Cathedral, go to: <https://www.liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk/music/joining-the-choirs/>

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

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

NEWMAN

ASSOCIATION TALK

Fr. Eamonn Mulcahy "Newman and Manning - the tragedy of two good men misunderstanding each other." Venue: St. Helen's Parish Centre, Alexandra Road, Crosby L23 7TQ. Doors will be open from 7.00 pm. The presentation will begin at 7.30 pm. Talks last 45 minutes leaving time for questions and discussion. Join us for an interesting perspective on Cardinal Newman (1801-1890)

seen through the eyes of his contemporary, and fellow Anglican convert, Cardinal Manning (1808-1892).

PENTECOST PICNIC

On Saturday 18th May there will be a Pentecost picnic for young adults. A chance to go outside of town, meet others, share food and have some moments of reflection and spiritual input. If interested please contact James: djmoroney@cantab.net or 07394 503 911.

CAFOD Crisis Appeal for Sudan

CAFOD has launched an emergency appeal to support families in Sudan, as Sudan is in the grip of the world's worst hunger and displacement crisis. Jo Kitterick, CAFOD's director of participation, said: "Many aid agencies exited Sudan when the current fighting erupted a year ago. Right now Catholic agencies in the Caritas network that CAFOD is part of, supported by the Church of Sudan, are some of the only organisations able to deliver aid to support the Sudanese people." Donations made to CAFOD's Sudan crisis appeal will go towards supporting families in Sudan and surrounding countries, who are already contending with extreme hunger, as communities strive to stop the crisis from becoming the worst in living memory. Donations can be made at cafod.org.uk/SudanAppeal

Last week's collection: **£1,626.00**



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LUTYENS CRYPT
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