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Cathedral Record

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Cathedral News

BEER FESTIVAL 2025

On Wednesday 12 February 2025 we will be holding a private party for staff and friends ahead of the Beer Festival. The fun starts at 7pm – 10pm.

All of the beers will be available for you to try, and there will be bowls of delicious home-made scouse to buy! Tickets will be £5 which you can purchase from Cathedral House or enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk, and then on the night you will need to buy a card for £10 which will allow you to buy the beer/cider! There will also be live music to enjoy. Get your tickets fast!

To make it easier for more people from across our archdiocese to attend, we are looking into the prospect of sending free coaches from each deanery area. If you are interested in this, please let us know on this form so we can gauge interest from every area. Please include your contact details so we can get in touch with further details.

<https://forms.office.com/e/U9Vg0WK4pW>

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

We are currently looking for volunteers to assist our Finance Officer every Monday from 9.30am – 11.00am at Cathedral House. If you think you may be able to spare some time for the rewarding opportunity please email enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk for more details. No experience necessary. Full training, and lots of tea and biscuits, will be given!

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Annual Civic Mass
Sunday 2 March 2025
11.00am

Celebrated by Archbishop Malcom McMahon OP. Light refreshments will be served after Mass. All welcome to attend.

MASS OF CELEBRATION OF THE MIRACULOUS CURE OF JACK TRAYNOR

The Archbishop of Liverpool, Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP invites you to a historic occasion for the Archdiocese of Liverpool as we celebrate the miraculous cure of Jack Traynor with Mass and a drinks reception on **Tuesday 18th February at 7pm** at the Metropolitan Cathedral.

If you would like to attend, please fill in the form linked below. As we are expecting it to be a popular event, we need to know numbers in advance for both health & safety and catering purposes.

AN INVITATION FROM THE HONG KONG COMMUNITY

Please celebrate Chinese New Year with us – A taste of Tradition

Date: Sunday, February 2nd

Time: After the 11am Mass

Venue: Gibberd Room

We warmly invite you all to join us in celebrating the Chinese New Year, a time of joy, renewal, and togetherness.

As we usher in the Year of the Snake, which begins on Jan 29th, we would be delighted to share the flavours and traditions of this festive season with you. Together, let's enjoy traditional Chinese New Year delicacies and share in the spirit of celebration as one Church community. We look forward to seeing you there and celebrating this joyful occasion together.

Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 19 January 2025

Sunday 19 January Second Sunday in Ordinary

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

Monday 20 January

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

Tuesday 21 January St Agnes

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

Wednesday 22 January

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

Thursday 23 January

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

Friday 24 January

St Francis de Sales
7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass BSC
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.00pm Sung Mass BSC
5.30pm Choral Evening Prayer

Saturday 25 January Conversion of St Paul the Apostle

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:
Monsignor Anthony O'Brien Dean
Fr Derek Lloyd
Fr Anthony Lippo
Fr Faustinus Ugwuanyi

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Rev Paul Mannings

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Cathedral Notice Board

MASS INTENTIONS

Justin and Ashlyn Chiong and Family (Thinking of You), Marion Talbot (RIP), Arthur Grimes (RIP), Mrs Anne Pimblett, Ann Hickey (RIP), Max Greenhouse (RIP), Norman Long (RIP), Patricia Breen (RIP), Bernard Savage, Wesley James Cunliffe (RIP), Gerard Webb (RIP) and Carl Petersen (RIP).

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.

COME AND BE A CATHEDRAL GUIDE & WELCOMER!

Please give us the gift of three hours a week of your precious voluntary time. Learn on the job for as long as it takes. Answer queries at the welcoming desk. Listen to the stories of our wonderful visitors. If you like, take large or very small groups on tours. Give the job your own creativity. Be part of a ministry of welcome. Add your own dimension to a large and flourishing team. Be a consistent part of your group throughout the year. Contribute toward presenting our Cathedral as a living Christian community, able to embrace everyone as valued individuals. Make new friends. Enjoy a fresh challenge. This random list could go on! Give us a call and we shall arrange for you to Come and See. Contact Dcn Paul Mannings:

p.mannings@rcaol.co.uk

JIGSAWS

If anyone has any jigsaws or games that they have finished with we can pass them on for you to the Seafarers at Stella Maris. Please just drop them in to Cathedral House or to the Security Office. They are always so grateful for anything that we can send on.

ROMERO ROSARY BOOK LAUNCH

The Romero Rosary by Archbishop John Wilson, Friday 24 January, 2.30pm, at Pauline Books & Media Centre (84 Church Street, Liverpool) "I wonder if you picked up and opened this little book because you love the holy rosary or because you love St Oscar Romero. Perhaps, like me, you love both. I hope what you read inspires you to pray the rosary and to learn more about St Oscar Romero. I keep everyone who reads this book in my prayers." This book contains reflections on the traditional mysteries of the rosary and the new Romero mysteries, illumined for reflection and prayer by St Oscar's own words.

The Mysteries of the Rosary: Joy, Light, Sorrow, and Glory.

The Romero Mysteries of the Rosary: Charity, Compassion and Mercy, Justice and Peace.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE MASS

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon will celebrate the Marriage and Family Life Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King on **Sunday 9 February 2025 at 11.00am**. The Mass will include the renewal of marriage vows and a

special blessing for those married in a Jubilee year. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Gibberd Room. For those couples who are celebrating a significant wedding anniversary, please register online for a certificate through this link <https://forms.office.com/e/LLbcUJpl85?origin=lprLink> For more information, please contact Moses at: m.mui@rcaol.org.uk

FR FAUSTINUS

Fr Faustinus Ik. Ugwuanyi is a Catholic priest from the Diocese of Nsukka in Nigeria. He was ordained a priest 23 years ago. Since his ordination he has served as a seminary professor in Nigeria and Liberia. He earned his Masters degree and PhD in Philosophy from the John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin in Poland. Prior to his current appointment as the Lead Chaplain at Liverpool Royal Hospital, he served as the parish priest at St Robert Bellarmine Church, Bootle and St Elizabeth of Hungary in Litherland.

Please do introduce yourself to him and make him feel welcome.

ARCHDIOCESAN YOUNG ADULT GROUP

The Archdiocesan Young Adult Group has started up again on Tuesday 14 January. The meetings will be held fortnightly at Pauline Book Centre (84 Church Street, Liverpool L1 3AY). As usual, we will start at 6.30pm and refreshments will be provided. Anyone aged 18-35 would be most welcome. This year we will explore different types of prayer. The

theme of next meeting will be 'Pilgrim of Hope'.

HOLY COMMUNION BADGE COMPETITION

Following the success of last year's holy communion badge competition, we are pleased to announce that the closing date for this year's competition will be Monday 27 January 2025. It is an opportunity for children making their holy communion to design a special badge that will be given out to every child who participates in this sacrament next year. If you are a teacher or a catechist or a parent, please click here for more details: <https://tinyurl.com/FHCBadges>, or email badges@rcaol.org.uk.

CASH CRESCENDO

We would like to invite you to join our weekly cash prize draw. This is a very easy way for you to become involved in supporting the fundraising efforts of the Choir Association for a small cash outlay and without the need for you to give up any of your time.

For more information on how to join and to set up a standing order, please send an email to Jackie in the Music Office: j.larrosa@metcathedral.org.uk

MONIES RAISED FROM OUR FUNDRAISING EVENTS WILL BENEFIT ALL OF OUR CHOIRS – PLEASE DO WHAT YOU CAN TO SUPPORT US.

Last week's collection: **£827.00**



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LUTYENS CRYPT
 — LIVERPOOL'S BEST KEPT —
ARCHITECTURAL SECRET

Open Monday – Saturday: First Admission: 10am, Last Admission: 3.30pm
 Crypt Admission Charges: £5 Adult, £12 Family (2 adults + 2 children)

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Golden Book of Remembrance

The Golden Book Office is now open each Tuesday between 10am and 3pm.

Please call **0151 707 2107** or email goldenbook@metcathedral.org.uk for more information.