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## Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 11 May 2025

### Sunday 11 May Fourth Sunday of Easter

**9.00am** Mass  
**10.00am** Mass  
**11.00am** Mass  
This Mass will be streamed live on Youtube

**7.00pm** Mass

### Monday 12 May

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

### Tuesday 13 May

#### Feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral

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

### Wednesday 14 May St Matthias

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

### Thursday 15 May

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

### Friday 16 May

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

### Saturday 17 May

**8.45am** Morning Prayer  
**9.00am** Mass BSC  
**5.00pm** Mass BSC

#### EXPOSITION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Will take place from 4.00pm on Fridays.

#### RECONCILIATION (Confession)

**Tuesday - Friday:**  
Following the 12.15pm Mass in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

**Saturday:** 9.30am - 10.30am & 3.30pm - 4.30pm

**Please note that there are no Confessions on Holy Days.**

**Crypt**  
Crypt Chapel

**SS -**  
55 Seel St,  
Missionaries of  
Charity

**RLUH -**  
Royal Liverpool  
University Hospital

#### CLERGY:

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

**DEACON:**  
Rev Paul Mannings



# Cathedral Record

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## Good Shepherd Sunday

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday and is a special time of prayer for vocations and particularly to vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The image of the Good Shepherd was a powerful representation of Christ for the early Church. Similar to a shepherd who cares for and guides his flock, Jesus proclaims in the Gospel of John that He is the Good Shepherd who lays down His life for his sheep. Motivated by love and moved with compassion He provides divine protection and leadership for His Church and His people as He leads us to eternal life.

As Peter, after he was appointed the principle shepherd, had his brother apostles to help and support him so our new Pope will need the assistance of Bishops and priests to support him and serve our network of Catholic communities around the world. Perhaps more than ever we need good shepherds to be coworkers with the successors of the apostles to help guide, protect and provide for the sheep following the example Christ gave.

As Pilgrims of Hope today we recognise the important role of priests and religious within our communities. We need them and so today we are asked to pray for them in a special and specific way. To pray for those who have answered God's call, those discerning it and those who are yet to hear that gentle prompting of the Holy Spirit in the depths of their hearts.

After the four priestly ordinations last summer, we have six seminarians in formation for the diocesan priesthood and a number of men in the discernment group or in one-to-one discussions with the Vocation Director. They come from across the Archdiocese, are of various ages and backgrounds reflecting the Lord's call of ordinary men who by God's grace are able to respond

and offer themselves to live a life of service to the Church and God's people. Please pray for them and support the collection for the Priest's Training Fund that takes place this weekend. And if you feel that the Lord might be calling you to serve His Church, have the courage despite your own sense of unworthiness to start a conversation by calling our Vocation Director on 0151 727 2493 or email [r.johnson@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:r.johnson@rcaol.org.uk)

### INSTALLATION MASS

**Tuesday 27 May  
12NOON**

The Installation of Archbishop-elect John Sherrington as the tenth Archbishop of Liverpool will take place in the Cathedral.

We want as many of the faithful as possible to join us for the historic occasion and so there will be some unreserved sections of the Cathedral for members of the faithful who wish to attend. In order to register your interest and request a space should they become available, please email Claire Hanlon at [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk)

### 'PILGRIMS OF HOPE' PENTECOST WALK – Sunday 8 June 2025

This year's walk will start at the Anglican Cathedral and move to the Metropolitan Cathedral along Hope Street. The theme this year is our Jubilee theme: 'Pilgrims of Hope'. There are lots of exciting things planned for the day – save the date. Parishes and groups are invited to come along with banners which can be carried in the procession.

# Cathedral Notice Board

## MASS INTENTIONS

Tony Caldwell (RIP), Pat and Frank Hunt (In Memory), Jimmy McQueen (RIP), Peggie Connors (Get Well), Harriet Molland (Get Well), Lousie Devine (Get Well), Pope Francis (RIP), Winifred Foster (RIP Anniversary), Richard Harrison (RIP), Mary Hand (RIP Anniversary), Fr Emmanuel Adindu (Intentions), Pope Francis' Successor, Marie Anderson (Intentions), Liam Burns (Intentions), Bernadette Reidy (Intentions), Fr Paul Johnston (Get Well), Mary's Honour Prayer Group (Intentions) and Prayer Intentions, Gerard Webb (RIP) and Carl Petersen (RIP).

## THE TURIN SHROUD

Please join us for a Newman Association Presentation on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May, 7.30pm at St. Helen's Crosby L23 7TQ. Mike Pietrzyk is our guest speaker. He will travel to the UK from Minnesota, USA, on Easter Monday. He is an author who gives his talks globally. Contemplate this "icon written in blood" (Benedict XVI). A "distinguished relic linked to the mystery of our redemption." (St. John-Paul II). "This image speaks to our heart." (Pope Francis). All welcome.

## FRIENDS OF THE MET

The Friends of the Met will ONLY be emailing members in future. There are some members who emails we do not have and a few have bounced back! If you have not received the email then please contact the Honorary Secretary, Ultan Russell, he will

add you to the circulation list: [u.russell@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:u.russell@rcaol.org.uk)

## CHORISTERS' BAKE SALE

The Choir Association will be selling home baked cakes after Mass in the foyer on the following dates to raise much needed funds towards the choir's next overseas tour.

**Sunday 11 May**

**Sunday 29 June**

Please do stop by and sample our delicious treats!

If you would like to get involved by baking some cakes, please contact Jackie Larrosa in the Music Department:

[j.larrosa@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:j.larrosa@metcathedral.org.uk)

## 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.

## EASTER EGG DONATION

Following our appeal for Easter Eggs to the Women's Refuge we received a letter saying, 'On behalf of all our residents and children, we would like to thank you and your team regarding your recent Easter Egg donations. We appreciate your inclusion of us and your commitment to organising these donations. Many thanks.' Thank you for all your donations.

## RECRUITMENT FOR BOY & GIRL CHORISTERS 2025

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 (yr 3-6) St Edward's College (yr 7-13) 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/>

## JOIN US AT THE ART SCHOOL FOR A SUMMER SOIREE...

We are delighted to be able to collaborate with Chef Paul Askew, one of the UK's most pioneering figures in hospitality, and his team once again, and we have arranged with them to provide a three 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 **Thursday 26 June 2025 from 7pm onwards**. 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, whilst raising money for the Cathedral. To book your ticket and to arrange payment please contact Claire Hanlon at [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk)

## 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.org.uk](mailto:p.mannings@rcaol.org.uk)

## JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE WALK

Saturday 17 May, St Helens. Join us for the first of three Jubilee Pilgrimage Walks, taking place on Saturday 17 May at the Jubilee Church of St Anne and Blessed Dominic, St Helens (WA9 3ZD). 5-mile circular walk – starts at 10.00am from the church car park. 11.50am – Short procession through the church grounds (open to all, including those not walking). 12.00noon – Holy Mass. Opportunity for Confession and visit to the Shrine of Blessed Dominic Barberi. Refreshments in the Parish Centre after Mass. Please register here: <https://forms.office.com/e/11DnmnVWVC5>. For more info, contact Chris: [c.higgins@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:c.higgins@rcaol.org.uk)

Last week's collection: **£1,493.00**

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