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# Cathedral Record

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## Sixth Sunday of Easter

Jesus said to his disciples 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever. The Spirit of Truth'.

In the final two weeks of the Easter season we prepare for the celebrations of the Feasts of the Ascension, which takes place this Thursday, and ten days later Pentecost. The Lord Jesus ascended to heaven with the promise to be with his disciples and commissioned them to go out to teach all nations. It was only through the promised gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost breathing his life upon Mary, the mother of the Lord, and the disciples that they had the courage and power to carry out their mission to go forth and build the church community. It is difficult for us to see the ways that the Holy Spirit is at work in our lives and in the life of the church today. One of the most powerful examples that helps us to see the Holy Spirit at work is through reflecting on the life of Our Blessed Lady and praying to her, particularly in this month of May. We can see how the Spirit of God was present in her life from beginning to end, from her willing response to the angel Gabriel to her steadfast faith in praying with her son at the foot of the cross and being with the disciples at Pentecost. Mary's story is one of complete openness to the presence of the Holy Spirit. During the month of May it is in praying the Rosary, or adding a Marian prayer to the end of our regular private prayer at mass or other times such as the 'Magnificat,

or the Hail Holy Queen' that our heavenly mother will guide us to be open to Gods Spirit in our lives.

'Risen Lord, you raised Mary from her birth in Nazareth to her throne in heaven where she is honoured as Mother of God, Mother of humanity. May her prayers be with us on our life journey leading us to You Lord Jesus. We entrust ourselves and our world to her loving care.'

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May is the anniversary of the Dedication of our Cathedral. The Cathedral was completed and Dedicated in 1967 and we look forward to holding some special celebrations next year to mark our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. A group of teenagers from St Edwards College will be confirmed at the Evening Mass at 5pm on our anniversary of Dedication- Archbishop Sherrington will preside at this Mass celebrated in the main Cathedral.

Please also remember in your prayers some of our young children who have been preparing over the last six months to receive their first holy communion. This will be celebrated next Saturday in the Cathedral at 11am, May the Lord bless these young children on their special day.

Monsignor Anthony O'Brien

Dean

### Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 10 May 2026

#### Sunday 10 May

##### Sixth Sunday of Easter

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  
4.00pm Mass RLUH  
7.00pm Mass Crypt

#### Monday 11 May

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

#### Tuesday 12 May

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

#### Wednesday 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 Cathedral

#### Thursday 14 May

##### The Ascension of the Lord

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

#### Friday 15 May

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

#### Saturday 16 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

**RLUH**  
Royal Hospital Chapel

#### CLERGY:

**PRIESTS:**  
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## MASS INTENTIONS

Fr Cobham (RIP), John Delahunt (RIP), Helen Kidd (RIP), Jennifer Ryan (RIP), Paul Hood (RIP), Harry Westhoff (RIP), Linda Campbell (RIP), Jen Ryan (RIP), The Family of Jen Ryan (Thinking of You), Thomas Sambley (Thinking of You), Jean MacDonald (RIP), Winifred Margarita Foster (Rip 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary), P D Mathew (RIP Anniversary), Edwin and Kevin Wilson (Exam Success), Terese Konstantinaviciene (Speedy Recovery), Carolyn McCoy (RIP), Monica Blunket (RIP), Helen Kidd (RIP), Catherine Twist (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.

## CHORISTERS' SALES

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 10 May

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)

Thank you for your support.

## PLEASE NOTE

There is Mass every Sunday at 4.00pm in the Chapel at the

Royal Hospital. All welcome.

## PENTECOST

**'Many Voices - One Faith' Sunday 24 May 2026, 3-5pm**

The Churches of the Liverpool City Region invite you to join together as we celebrate Pentecost with a march from Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral to Liverpool Anglican Cathedral. We will be gathering for this family friendly event at 3pm on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May on the plaza outside the Metropolitan Cathedral before walking together along Hope Street to the Liverpool Cathedral. The theme for this year's march is 'Many voices, one faith'. We will be welcoming people from many different cultures and backgrounds to participate in this symbol of Christian unity and togetherness. The march finishes at the Anglican Cathedral with family friendly activities and numerous stalls from local charities advertising their work. Do join us. All are welcome.

## ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Our Cathedral Altar Servers' team are currently looking for teenagers and young adults to assist with serving the 11am Sunday Mass and special Masses throughout the year. Experience not necessary as full training will be given. Come and be a part of our cathedral family.

[enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk)

## PRAYERS PLEASE

We were very sad to hear about the death of John Cain last week. John was a member of the Cathedral Choir for many, many years and was a true inspiration for all the choristers and lay clerks. His funeral will take place on Monday 11 May at 12.30pm at All Hallows Church and then on to Springwood. May John now rest in peace. Please remember him, his family and his many friends in your prayers.

## STEP INTO THE ELEGANCE OF THE ART SCHOOL RESTAURANT

We are delighted to invite you to indulge in an unforgettable fine dining experience. Savour a beautifully curated seasonal menu that celebrates the very best of British ingredients, thoughtfully crafted into dishes that are as refined as they will be memorable. With a welcoming drink on arrival, impeccable service, and an atmosphere that blends sophistication with creativity this exclusive evening promises the perfect setting to relax, connect, and enjoy exceptional food in one of the City's most elevated dining destinations. The date you need to keep in your diary is **Wednesday 1 July 2026 from 6.30pm 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. Tickets are £50 per person. To book your ticket and to arrange payment please contact Claire Hanlon at [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk)

## FRIENDS EVENT

**Saturday 4 July 2026 1.00pm – 4.00pm.**

Step beneath the Cathedral into a hidden world! Have a glimpse into the vision and history that shaped our place of worship.

You are warmly invited to an exclusive guided tour of the Lutyens Crypt – a hidden architectural gem rich in atmosphere and heritage. Discover the vast, awe-inspiring underground space, hear its fascinating story, and experience a

side of the Cathedral few ever see. Following the tour indulge in a delightful afternoon tea featuring delicate sandwiches and hand-crafted, artisan cakes. A unique afternoon of story-telling, elegance and quiet indulgence. All dietary requirements can be catered for in advance. Places are limited so please sign up early to avoid disappointment. £35 per person. Email [friends@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:friends@metcathedral.org.uk) for your ticket to this unmissable experience.

## PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lord Jesus,  
You conquered death without weapons or violence:  
You shattered its power with the strength of peace.  
Grant us Your peace,  
as You did to the women filled with doubt on Easter morning,  
as You did to the disciples who were hiding in fear.  
Send forth Your Spirit,  
the breath that gives life and reconciles,  
that turns adversaries and enemies into brothers and sisters.  
Inspire in us to trust in Mary, Your mother,  
who stood at the foot of Your cross with a broken heart, firm in the faith that You would rise again.  
May the madness of war cease  
and the Earth be cared for and cultivated by those who still know how to bring forth,  
protect and love life.

Hear us, Lord of life!  
**LEO XIV P.P.**

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