

## Mass Intentions Received

Joe Bibby (RIP Anniversary), Gerard Webb (RIP), Holy Souls, George and Peggy Springett (RIP), Kathy and Eric Springett (RIP), Joseph Brady (RIP), Joan'e Hanlon (Happy Birthday), Francis Daley (RIP), Frances Bowman (RIP Anniversary), Charlie Smith (RIP), Joan and Dave Nichols (RIP), Mavis Smart (RIP), James Grattan (RIP), Mr David Brooke (RIP), Tomasz Padewski (Special Intention), Margaret Hough (RIP), Cathy (RIP), Rosaleen

Conlon (Birthday), Dennis Conlon (Anniversary), Fr Bill McLoughlin (40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary), Joseph Christopher Clynch (Anniversary), Austin Coyle (RIP), Mary Green (Anniversary), Vinny Caton (Anniversary), Lisa (RIP), George McGrory, Canon James Clarkeson (50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee), Augustinian Sisters of Ince Blundell Hall, Mary Cummings (RIP), Graham Costelle (Get Well), Sheila Morrisroe (RIP), Pat Meyers (RIP), Stuart Williams (Get Well), Goddard Family (Intentions), Mary Anne McKenna (RIP Anniversary), Bashforth Family (Intentions)

## Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING: **22 February 2015**

### Sunday 22 February 1st Sunday of Lent

**8.30am** Mass  
**10.00am** Family Mass Crypt  
**11.00am** Solemn Choral Mass  
**1.00pm** Polish Mass Crypt  
**3.00pm** RCIA  
**4.00pm** Mass RLUH  
**7.00pm** Mass Crypt

### Monday 23 February

**7.45am** Morning Prayer  
**8.00am** Mass  
**12.15pm** Mass Crypt  
**5.15pm** Sung Mass

### Tuesday 24 February

**7.45am** Morning Prayer  
**8.00am** Mass  
**12.15pm** Mass Crypt  
**5.15pm** Sung Mass

### Wednesday 25 February

**7.45am** Morning Prayer  
**8.00am** Mass  
**9.00am** Mass (Tony and Betty Keatley) STV  
**12.15pm** Mass Crypt  
**5.15pm** Mass  
**5.45pm** Choral Evening Prayer

### Thursday 26 February

**7.45am** Morning Prayer  
**8.00am** Mass  
**9.00am** Mass SS  
**12.15pm** Mass Crypt  
**5.15pm** Mass  
**5.45pm** Choral Evening Prayer

### Friday 27 February

**7.45am** Morning Prayer  
**8.00am** Mass  
**9.00am** Mass (Catherine McKillen) STV  
**12.15pm** Mass Crypt  
**4.00pm** Exposition  
**5.15pm** Mass  
**5.45pm** Choral Evening Prayer

### Saturday 28 February

**8.45am** Morning Prayer  
**9.00am** Mass  
**6.00pm** Vigil Mass STV  
(Thomas, Ellen and Mary Barry)  
**6.30pm** Vigil Mass Crypt

### RECONCILIATION (Confession)

**Monday - Friday:**  
Following the 12.15pm Mass Crypt  
**Saturday:**  
11.00am – 12noon  
3.30pm - 4.30pm

### Crypt

Crypt Chapel

### STV

St. Vincent de Paul  
Parish Church

### SS -

55 Seel St,  
Missionaries of  
Charity

### RLUH -

Royal Liverpool  
University Hospital

### CLERGY:

#### PRIESTS:

Canon Anthony  
O'Brien Dean  
Mgr Peter Cookson  
Fr Gerard Callacher  
Fr Liam Collister

#### DEACONS:

Rev Noel Abbott  
Rev Paul Mannings



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# Cathedral Record

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## Letters all round

It wasn't just the Anglican Bishops that issued a letter to their parishes across the country, regarding the general Election in May, this week. Our own Catholic Bishops have also issued a letter in a similar way to Catholics in England and Wales and so far it has caused less of a stir from the press and politicians than the one for Anglicans. This is available at the back of the Cathedral and Crypt with the newsletters and Pastoral Letters this weekend.

In the introduction the letter states 'At this General Election we are asked to think about the kind of society that we want here at home and abroad. Whom you vote for is a matter for you alone. Our aim is to suggest how you might approach this important question in May 2015 and to suggest some key issues for your reflection as you make your own decision.' The issues the Bishops want us to reflect on are respect for life, supporting family life and alleviating poverty, education, building communities and caring for the wider world.'

The letter ends with these words. 'Politics is a vital and necessary vocation. It carries important responsibilities not only for policy decisions but also for shaping the hopes and aspirations of people. Political leaders can choose to appeal to our sense of hope or of fear, to our desires to care for others or for ourselves, and to our sense of solidarity or of selfishness. We expect politicians to be committed to the common good. We also each have a responsibility to be involved in the democratic process. It is important that we vote. It is a duty which springs from the privilege of living in a democratic society. In deciding how we vote the question for each one of us is then: How, in the light of the Gospel, can my vote best serve the common good?' Please take a leaflet.

There is a Pastoral Letter for the First Sunday of Lent from Archbishop Malcolm to be read at all Masses this weekend. He encourages us to make our Lenten journey focussing on the three disciplines of prayer, fasting and almsgiving that we heard proclaimed in the Gospel for Ash Wednesday. Here is a passage from the letter referring to fasting.

*'Jesus reminds us that we are to fast. I hope that we have all 'given up something for Lent'. However, the Lenten fast is not a diet, but is much more profound than that – it expresses our longing for God and helps us identify with the poor, including those in our midst. So, I would like to suggest, this Lent, that we fast from something else in addition to giving up some food or drink that we like for a few weeks so that we can become a little poorer. Maybe those of us who drive to work could walk for part of the journey; we could fast from a favourite TV programme or the internet, spending the time instead with our families or friends. Our fasting should be a hunger for justice, a thirst for doing what is right, so that Christ shines through our words, deeds and the example that we set others by our way of living.'*

This Sunday afternoon there is the Rite of Election Service at 3.00pm at which the Archbishop welcomes all those adults from across the Diocese who are in their final stages of preparation to be received into the church at Easter. We have nine candidates from the Cathedral parish. Next Friday is family Fast day - there will be a retiring collection next weekend in support of Cafod.

Canon Anthony O'Brien

Dean

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# Cathedral Notice Board

## ST VINCENT'S LOTTERY NUMBERS

For week commencing 14 February. Winning numbers are 1, 3, 6, 8, 9 and 14. Prize was £300. There were no winners. Next week the prize money will be £350.

## ST NICHOLAS' SCHOOL

It is back to school this coming Monday and the calendar is already filling up with activities for World Book Day, visits to Central Library, year 4 spending the day around Chester as well as plenty of sporting events to look forward to over the next couple of weeks alone! We will also be raising money, during Lent, for those less fortunate than ourselves and with Comic Relief only a few weeks away, I'm sure the children, families and staff from St Nicholas will dig deep as ever. Father Ged will be guiding us through Lent with Stations of the Cross for our junior children and special prayers and reflections each week. Staff and children will be encouraged to consider and display their own Lenten prayers and Promises at school.

Mrs Vicki Fallon  
[www.stnicholasliverpool.co.uk](http://www.stnicholasliverpool.co.uk)

## ALTAR SERVERS

The Altar Servers in the Cathedral and the Crypt are a dedicated and lively group who loyally serve during our weekend, weekday and special Masses. They encompass all ages, shapes and sizes. Over the years the albs that they wear to serve at

the altar have become a little worn and mis-matched. To smarten things up, we are in the process of replacing the Albs with black cassocks and white cottas. Our aim is to be suited, booted and gleaming in time for the Diocesan Chrism Mass on Wednesday April 1<sup>st</sup> (this is no anticipated April Fool's joke by the way!). The cost of the transformation is just over £2,200. If you would like to and can contribute towards the cost, we would be very grateful! Any contributions will be very much appreciated. Any contributions can be placed in an envelope marked 'Servers' and can be handed in to any of the clergy or to Cathedral house.

With grateful thanks, Julian Daley, Cathedral MC and Fr Ged.

## HOPE+ NEWS

As always a huge thank you to everyone for all the support over the last two years. By the end of last Thursday we had served up our 14,275<sup>th</sup> hamper, which is 10,275 more than we had anticipated we would have supplied in our first two years of operation; indeed we had thought we might no longer be needed. Sadly it rather looks as though we might be needed for the foreseeable future. As always we need you to continue to support us with your generous donations of food, toiletries, clothes and cash. Every item donated is one we don't have to buy in. At the moment we really need nappies (especially larger sizes), basic toiletries (toothpaste and toothbrushes, soap, shower gel), and feminine hygiene

items. As always thank you to everyone for your continued support.

## PASTORAL LETTER

A pastoral letter from the Archbishop will be read at all Masses this weekend. There are also copies available for you to take home at the back of the Cathedral and the Crypt. Please take one away with you.

## LENT 2015

A series of four talks on Wednesday evenings in March starting at 7.00pm in the Gibberd Room. The first one will be on 4 March 'Still, small voice of clam': The Beauty of Christian Meditation to Hear the Voice of the Lord. How do we tune into the voice of the Lord in our lives which are increasingly cluttered with noise and busy-ness? This talk will explore the wonderful tradition of Christian Meditation which helps seekers to listen deeply to God within the silence and peace. All welcome.

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER LEAFLETS

Are available at the back of the Cathedral and Crypt. Please take a copy home with you.

## FRIENDS EVENT

A Lecture by Lord David Alton MP entitled 'Paying the Price of Faith' will take place in the Gibberd Room on Thursday 12 March at 7.00pm. This interesting and informative lecture will be an examination of the persecuted Church around the world today. In recent months we have become used to hearing about the plight of Christians in the

parts of Syria and Iraq controlled by ISIS. These are not the only parts of the world where Christians face difficulties and

persecution. Lord Alton's talk will explain what is happening and what we might be able to do about it. Tickets are £8 and are available from Cathedral House. This ticket price includes a glass of wine and nibbles following the lecture.

## EUROVISION

Please join the Choir Association for an event on Saturday 7 March at 7.30m in the Crypt Concert Room. A wonderful evening of music from Eurovision by the gentlemen of the Choir. Tickets are £15 and include all the entertainment plus a cheese, pate and continental meat platter. A full pay bar also be available. Tickets can be purchased by emailing [metchoirassociation@gmail.com](mailto:metchoirassociation@gmail.com) or can be bought from Cathedral House.

## SR PATRICK SND

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sr Patrick, a faithful member of the Art Department for many years, and a Eucharistic Minister in the Royal, who died last week. May she rest in peace.

## ST PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

Last week's collection: **£1,321.00**

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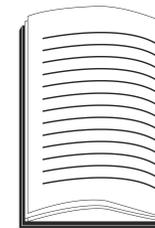


## GOLDEN BOOK OFFICE

0151 707 2107

The 5.15pm Mass on the first Friday of every month will be offered for all those who are recorded in the Golden Book.

Monday – Friday  
10.00am – 3.30pm



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