

Mass Intentions Received

Ellen Roche (Birthday Remembrance), Gerard Withe (RIP), John and Mary Turner (RIP), Terry and Eileen Turner (RIP), Gerard Webb (RIP), Holy Souls, Agnes Teresa Allan (Anniversary), Angela McShane (RIP), Maureen Ann Braham and Mark O'Loughlin (Wedding Day), Margaret Aspell, Mary Johnson (RIP), Rose McManus (RIP), Marlene and David Dodd (Golden Wedding Anniversary), Patrick McDonagh (RIP), Les Hanlon (RIP), Irene Flynn

(RIP), Rosaleen Conlon (Anniversary), Mai Kerins (Get Well), John O'Sullivan (RIP), Maureen Burke (RIP Anniversary), Angela McShane (RIP), Ginette Griffiths (RIP), Mr Williamson (RIP), William Maher (RIP), Myra Cahill (Anniversary), Andrew Nolli (RIP), Baby Ben (RIP), Pat O'Shea (RIP), Mary Jane Peet (Special Intention get well), Vincent Peet (RIP Anniversary), Jessica Bartlett (RIP), Bridget Prendergast (RIP).



Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING: 26 April 2015



Sunday 26 April

4th Sunday of Easter

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

Monday 27 April

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

Tuesday 28 April

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

Wednesday 29 April

St Catherine of Siena

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass
9.00am Mass (Margaret Duncan) STV
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.15pm Mass
5.45pm Choral Evening Prayer

Thursday 30 April

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

Friday 1 May

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass
9.00am Mass (Thomas Gough) STV
12.15pm Mass Crypt
4.00pm Exposition
5.15pm Mass
5.45pm Choral Evening Prayer

Saturday 2 May

8.45am Morning Prayer
9.00am Mass
6.00pm Vigil Mass (Thanksgiving 25 years) STV
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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Vocations Sunday

Following the Antiques Roadshow I have received lots of interest, and some varied correspondence regarding the ancient chest from the Crypt that was included in the second programme. Most of the comments were not that helpful. One chap thought that we had hidden it from Henry VIII and that is why it was enclosed behind a bricked wall – the fact that the Crypt was built some four hundred years after said monarch didn't seem to have been taken into consideration! Also the flippant comment by one of the experts on the show that it could be the 'Ark of the Covenant' didn't help. A few Indiana Jones fans were wanting to come for a closer inspection. There was however one helpful piece of correspondence from a PhD student who was researching period furniture. He thought that the inner chest was probably from 16th Century and the image of Our Lady inside the chest was painted in a Spanish style. As I had thought, he agreed that the references to St Januarius and a number of popes on the front fascia seem to indicate that it started life in Naples, Italy and that would explain the later ornate Italian exterior decoration but how it ended up in Liverpool, and how it had been used over the centuries, is still a mystery. I was really hoping that some wealthy viewer might have offered to pay for its restoration so that it could be displayed in all its former glory but most of my thoughts these days are just wishful thinking.

Pope Francis recently announced a 'Holy Year of Mercy' which will start on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception in December. He has requested that Cathedrals assign a door as the pilgrim door for the Holy Year so that we all make a journey of reconciliation and forgiveness during the course of the year.

Following a meeting last week we hope to have completed the refurbishment work on the East and West Doors of the Cathedral by late Autumn so at least we will be able to name one of these the 'Holy Door' then all we will need will be the pilgrims to come flocking through it!

This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday- a day of prayer for Vocations. With regard to priesthood and consecrated life - at present within the Archdiocese we have 150 secular priests in active ministry with over 60 retired. There was nearly three times that number of secular priests working in parishes when I was first ordained! This is likely to reduce significantly in the next few years. The number of religious men and women working within the Diocese has reduced at an even more rapid rate and we have witnessed the closure of convents and religious houses due to lack of personnel. There are signs of renewed interest in young people pursuing a vocation to religious life and priesthood - we pray for the Holy Spirit to guide the church especially to refresh and enliven the faith in family and parish life.

Loving and generous God, it is you who call us by name and ask us to follow you. Help us to grow in the love and service of our church as we experience it today. Give us the energy and courage of your Spirit to shape its future. Grant us faith filled leaders who will embrace Christ's Mission of love and justice. Bless the church in our Diocese by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as sisters, priests, brothers, deacons and lay ministers. Inspire us to know you better and open our hearts to hear your call. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Canon Anthony O'Brien

Cathedral Dean

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Cathedral Notice Board

ST VINCENT'S LOTTERY NUMBERS

For week commencing 18 April. Winning numbers are 1, 2, 5, 10, 11 and 13. Prize was £150. There were no winners. Next week the prize money will be £200.

ST NICHOLAS' SCHOOL

Last weekend was the last of the formal *With You Always* sessions for our families. Deacon Paul and Father Ged helped us to understand more about Our Lady and it was lovely to work with the families and listen to the children's ideas. The children have started to display posters of their chosen confirmation names in the Crypt. Please take a moment to have a look at them and include the children and their families in your prayers.

School resumed this week and the summer term is already looking busy. This week our girls' football team had their first match of the summer season and represented St Nicholas well. Our Y5s are now play leaders, following their training from Greenhouse. Year 4 have had a reward trip to the Echo Arena for their excellent punctuality and attendance AND they're out again next week to learn more about our city.

Mrs Vicki Fallon
www.stnicholasliverpool.co.uk

CAR BOOT SALE

The date of the next Car Boot Sale to raise funds for the Cathedral will be Saturday 9 May. You can reserve your pitch by ringing 0151 709 9222. Pitches are £10. We would be very grateful to receive anything that

we can sell. Please note that we don't accept clothes due to storage space.

HOPE+ NEWS

We have a van at last! Scipio the Berlingo van arrived the week after Easter, and has already transformed our work. Instead of four or five journeys in Marco the Polo, Scipio needs only one. In addition, loading and unloading is quicker, easier, and much safer. Thank you to all who have donated to enable us to pay the lease and insurance for the first seven months. If you think you might like to sponsor Scipio for a month or more please contact us foodbank@liverpoolcathedral.org.uk

Our new Food Store is almost ready for use. We have a very large amount of space, and thanks to a grant from the Duchy of Lancaster, some excellent new racking. Sadly we need to keep this store as full as possible, and especially in the coming months. In our first year of operation we provided 5,000 food hampers, in our second just short of 10,000; and the need continues to grow. Based on our last two summers, we will be at our busiest between July and the end of September, especially with the extra strain placed on families by the long vacation. We will also receive our fewest donations. Quite simply, people go on holiday, schools and colleges break up, people are saving for their well earned break.

Each year we have struggled with this problem, and frankly some weeks we have come up short; even to the extent of having to turn people away when we have run out of food. This is

not only distressing for our guests, but it is also very stressful for our volunteers. We want to try and avoid this happening this year. We would ask that if at all possible you make an extra donation/s of food, toiletries, cash in each of the next three months (and through the summer too if you are able). Hopefully our new shelves will soon be groaning as a result of your generosity, and more importantly, we will have enough for everyone who needs us.

Thank you for your continued support.

FRIENDS EVENT

A Bentley Operatic Society Concert will take place on Friday 8 May 2015 at 8.00pm in the Crypt Concert Room. We are delighted that the Bentley has agreed to perform a Concert in support of the Cathedral Friends in the wonderful surroundings of the Crypt Concert Room. The Bentley was founded in 1913 and is currently Liverpool's only Gilbert and Sullivan society. Refreshments will be served during the interval. Tickets are £10.00 per ticket which includes an interval drink and are available from Cathedral House. The Cathedral Car Park will be available for guests. All welcome.

ONE O'CLOCK CLUB

Date of next lunch meeting will be next Tuesday, 28 April at 1.00pm in the Gibberd Room. All welcome.

TRIP TO MEDIACITY UK

On Tuesday 26 May 2015 at 3.00pm. The new home of the

BBC in Manchester is one of the most ambitious projects in the BBC's history. They have thrown open their doors so you can take

a peek behind the scenes. The well informed and friendly tour guides will entertain and surprise you as you walk in the footsteps of your favourite stars. You will see the most interesting areas available when you visit as well as giving you a fascinating insight into how TV and radio work. You can also have a go at making your own news and weather bulletin in the interactive studios. The nearest mainline stations are in the centre of Manchester. Tram: The MediaCityUK stop is situated in the heart of the Piazza in front of the BBC buildings. The cost of one ticket is only £15.00, and they are available from Cathedral House.

VOCATIONS SUNDAY

Change a life – pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. 'Behind and before every vocation to the priesthood or the consecrated life there is always the strong and intense prayer of someone.' *Pope Francis*. This Sunday is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life. Prayer cards are

Last week's collection: **£1,052.00**



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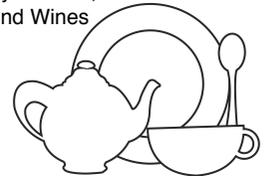
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GOLDEN BOOK OFFICE

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

