

Mass Intentions Received

Maisie McGuirk (Get Well) Thanksgiving, Holy Souls, Gerard Webb (RIP), Rose Coleman (RIP), Christine Carless (Get Well), Patricia Smith (Get Well), Baby Finnoula (RIP), Alice Nilsen (RIP), Tony Duckels (RIP), Ann Scott (RIP), Betty Baxter (RIP), Mary Nolan (RIP), Rosaleen Conlon (Birthday), Paul Kelly (Get Well), Maxine Spring (RIP), Maureen Rawlinson (Birthday Remembrance), Bridie McShane (RIP), Peter Turley (RIP), Doreen Johnson (RIP), Kathleen Murray (Birthday), Milly Spencer (RIP), Marion,

Noel De'Lane and Family (Thinking of you), Sister Anthony Wilson (Birthday), Patricia Patterson (RIP), Father Isidore Madueka (Intentions), Anne Howard and Family (Intentions), Nicky Malloy (Get Well), Paul Rowlands (RIP), Ron Prothero (RIP), John Connolly (Remembrance), Martha Connolly (Remembrance), Emma Kershaw (Intentions), Monica Hanley (Intentions), Rose-Mary Christina Williams (RIP), Leonard Groyan (Anniversary), Billy Sweeney (RIP), Tony Platt (RIP).

Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING: 14 February 2016

Sunday 14 February First Sunday of Lent

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 15 February

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

Tuesday 16 February

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

Wednesday 17 February

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass
9.00am Mass (The Gunning Family) STV
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.15pm Mass
5.45pm Choral Evening Prayer

Thursday 18 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 19 February

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass
9.00am Mass (Harry and Peggy Maddocks) STV
12.15pm Mass
4.00pm Exposition
5.15pm Mass
5.45pm Choral Evening Prayer

Saturday 20 February

8.45am Morning Prayer
9.00am Mass
6.00pm Vigil Mass (Mary and James Sharkey) STV
6.30pm Vigil Mass

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 Stephen Lee

DEACONS:

Rev Noel Abbott
 Rev Paul Mannings



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First Sunday of Lent

"The season of Lent during this Jubilee Year should be lived more intensely as a privileged moment to celebrate and experience God's mercy. We want to live in the light of the Lord's words, 'Be merciful just as your Father is merciful' (Lk6;36). It is a programme of life as demanding as it is rich with joy and peace. Jesus' command is directed to anyone who will listen. In order to be capable of mercy, therefore, we must first of all dispose ourselves to listen to the Word of God" These are some words of Pope Francis who encourages us to live Lent with a real focus on a desire to experience and celebrate the Fathers Mercy in this Holy Year. During these weeks of Lent we are challenged to grow in our attentiveness to the Word of God which calls us deeper and deeper into the mystery and wonder of God's love revealed in the life, death and resurrection of our Blessed Lord. May the Lord bless the efforts that we make as individuals and as a community to grow closer to him for Jesus stands knocking at our door asking no more than we open to him and allow him to transform our lives with the love he brings. May this bear fruit in a special way through our prayer and reflection on the Word of God during this season.

For the First Sunday of Lent Archbishop Malcolm has written a Pastoral Letter which will be read at all masses and there are also copies available with this week's newsletter. The afternoon service this Sunday at 3pm is a service of Welcome and Enrolment for adults from across the Diocese who are preparing to be baptised or received into the church this Easter – the service will be led by the Archbishop and will replace the normal celebration of Choral Evening Prayer. With our choir children being on half term we welcome two visiting choirs who will be singing at services over the coming week. The Choir of Great St Mary's, Cambridge will be singing at Mass and Evening Prayer on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. St Mary's is an Anglican parish that has had a tradition of singing for many centuries and which today has a number of choirs involving girls and boys from the ages of eight to sixth form. We

look forward to welcoming them and also the Girls and Boys Catholic Choir from Huddersfield who will sing at Mass and Evening Prayer next weekend. We will also welcome a large number of adult and children altar servers from a number of the Northern Dioceses who will be visiting the Cathedral on Saturday for an annual mass for members of the Guild of St Stephen. The mass will take place at 11.30am and Archbishop Malcolm will preside at this.

The annual Camra beer festival takes place in the Crypt Hall this week, the regular sessions are all sold out but there are still some tickets available for our own exclusive Cathedral party night with live music and hot food available. It should be good fun – tickets available from Cathedral House.

As well as being the First Sunday of Lent today is also St Valentines Day. For all those incurable romantics, Catholics Online record a whole selection of prayers to St Valentine for every eventuality. Here's a portion of the prayer for those who are single and searching for the right partner –it even has music and landscape scenes to go with it if you go online – cheesy! or am I just cynical.

Dear God,
 I ask for your Love and Guidance
 and for your blessings
 as I explore the deep reaches of my heart
 I ask for you assistance
 In releasing that which stands in the way of true love.
 My heart is pure; my intentions clear.
 Please bring to me my most perfect partner.
 I seek a partner who enhances me
 by his/her very being.
 Who brings more love, joy, peace
 and prosperity to my life,
 who I can love fully and who can fully receive my love,
 who loves, honours and cherishes me completely,
 and always.
 May my heart be open and my head be clear.
 May my life be ready to welcome true love.

Canon Anthony O'Brien

Dean

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Cathedral Notice Board

ST VINCENT'S LOTTERY NUMBERS

For week commencing 6 February. Winning numbers are 2, 5, 7, 9, 11 and 13. Prize was £950. There were no winners so the prize is now £1,000. Please speak to a member of staff in Cathedral House if you would like to join up.

ALTAR SERVERS

Three of our young servers, Chantal Ameh, Alec Petit de Mange and Richard Paringit, have now been serving for over a year. To mark their achievement, Fr. Ged will present them with their Guild of St. Stephen Bronze Medals at the 10:00 Mass this Sunday. We give thanks for their success, wish them many more years of service on the altar and encourage other young people to follow in their footsteps

ST NICHOLAS' SCHOOL

We may have now finished for our half term break but it's been a busy week to finish on. Tuesday was National Safer Internet Day. This year's theme was Play your part for a better internet! Each class had e-books to read and talk about and then activities to help us to remember how to stay safe online. Mr Keaney held a parent's roadshow at the end of the week with children from each year group showing what they had learnt. On Wednesday, our Catholic children and some of our staff joined the Parish for the lunchtime Ashes service in the Crypt. It was lovely to join our local community as we all begin our Lenten journey together. It was made even more special for us to have Father Ged as the

celebrant.

This weekend, our With You Always children and their families will come together again as they continue their preparation for Confirmation and First Holy Communion. The next half term, leading up to Easter, looks a busy and exciting one too. If you'd like to know more about what we doing, why not check out our Twitter pages... @stnicliv

Mrs Vicki Fallon www.stnicholasliverpool.co.uk

HOPE+NEWS

Please collect a new shopping list and the latest Hope+ newsletter from the back of the Cathedral and the Crypt.

FRIENDS EVENT

On Wednesday 2 March 2016 at 7.00pm in the Gibberd Room there will be a lecture by Fr Geoffrey Wheaton SJ entitled Scripture and Art. Fr Wheaton will give a talk on how the bible and scripture have influenced art over the centuries, with particular reference to the works of Caravaggio. The lecture will centre around Caravaggio's major religious paintings with many references from Fr Geoffrey's extensive archive. The cost is £12.00 and this includes wine and nibbles. The Car Park will be available to all guests attending the lecture. Anyone wanting tickets should contact Claire Hanlon at the Cathedral at c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk

BEER FESTIVAL PARTY

Will take place in the Crypt Concert Room on Wednesday 17 February 2016 from 7.00pm—10.30pm. Tickets are only £10.00 per person and you will receive a 2016 CAMRA Beer Festival glass

on arrival. You will then be able to purchase a selection of the beers, ciders, soft drinks and some fruit wines that will be served throughout the remainder of the Beer Festival. Scouse will be served and live music played through the evening. If you would like tickets please apply to Cathedral House, Mount Pleasant, Liverpool, L3 5TQ. 0151 709 9222 or enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Will take place during Lent after the 5.15pm Mass on Tuesdays in the Cathedral and also after the 12.15pm Mass on Fridays in the Crypt. All welcome to come to this as part of your Lenten preparation.

PASTORAL LETTER

Please find copies of this week's Pastoral Letter at the back of the Cathedral and the Crypt for you to take home with you.

LENTEN TALK 2016

A four week series of reflection and discussion based on the Gospel of St Luke will be given by the Cathedral clergy. The first one entitled 'Luke: A Gospel of Prayer' will be given by Canon O'Brien on Wednesday 24 February at 7.00pm in the Gibberd Room. All are most welcome to attend. The rest of the talks will take place on Wednesday 9 March; Wednesday 16 March and Tuesday 22 March.

EASTER LILIES

We are reviving an ancient tradition which associates a lily with the resurrection of Christ and our hope in eternal life. You are invited to buy a lily in memory of a departed loved one by placing £5 and the name of the person in an envelope and leaving it at the reception at Cathedral House or give it to one of the Cathedral clergy. The lilies will be used to decorate the Sanctuary during Easter, and the 10.00am Family Mass on Easter Sunday will be offered for their names.

EASTER EGGS

Please would you consider donating an Easter Egg to the Cathedral this Lent. We will be sending half of anything we receive to the Women's Refuge on the Wirral and also to the 2 Refuge Houses that are in Liverpool, charities that are so deserving and in real need. The other half will be raffled after the Solemn Mass on Easter Sunday. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER LEAFLETS

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

Last week's collection: **£1,557.00**

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Sunday
10.00am – 4.00pm

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GOLDEN BOOK OFFICE

0151 707 2107
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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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LUTYENS CRYPT
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Crypt Admission Charges: £3 Adults, £8 Family (2 adults + 2 children) £2 School Parties (per person)