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# Cathedral Record

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## Welcome to Fr Peter

Fr Peter Murphy was ordained here by Archbishop Malcolm in the Cathedral on the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul this year. He is to begin his priestly service here as an assistant priest replacing Fr Philip who has gone on to pastures new in St Helens. We welcome Fr Peter who will be moving in to Cathedral House this coming week and hope he will be happy serving here at the Cathedral. He has written a brief note about himself for this weeks newsletter.

At just a little over two months ordained, it is a great joy to be making these final preparations to begin my priestly ministry with you here at the Cathedral next weekend. For most of the past six years, I have been undertaking my formation for the priesthood at St John's Seminary, Wonersh (five miles outside Guildford, Surrey). Before going to seminary, I studied Business Management at the University of Hertfordshire and also worked in the Catholic Parish of Horsham. This means that I have been living outside of the archdiocese and away from family and friends for the past 11 years. Having been brought up in the parish of St Marie's on the Sands, Southport it is a great joy to finally be home in the North West!

It is an immense privilege to be able to begin my priestly life at the heart of our city and the heart of our archdiocese. Many aspects of all of our lives have changed

over the past six months. Whilst this is naturally disconcerting, the God we profess our faith in is ever faithful and I look forward to discerning with you what plans he has for us, our families, and our communities over the next few years.

Father Peter grew up in Southport and attended the parish of Saint Marie's on the Sands. He undertook formation for the priesthood at Saint John's Seminary, Wonersh in Surrey. Prior to going to seminary, Father Peter studied a degree in Business Management at the University of Hertfordshire. As well as his work here at the Cathedral and the hospitals, Father Peter is Chaplain to Coach 8 on the Archdiocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

Fr Peter

**Canon Anthony O'Brien**  
Cathedral Dean

## Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING: 6 September 2020

### Sunday 6 September 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

9.00am Mass  
11.00am Mass  
This Mass will be streamed live on Facebook and Youtube

### Monday 7 September

11.00am Funeral  
12noon Mass

### Tuesday 8 September Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12noon Mass

### Wednesday 9 September

11.00am Funeral  
12noon Mass

### Thursday 10 September St Ambrose Barlow

12noon Mass

### Friday 11 September

12noon Mass

### Saturday 12 September

10.00am Mass  
4.00pm Mass

### RECONCILIATION (Confession)

**Monday - Friday:**  
Following the 12noon Mass.  
**Please note that there are no Confessions on Holy Days.**

**Saturday:** 3.00pm – 3.45pm

Confessions will take place in the St Columba Chapel.

**Crypt**  
Crypt Chapel

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

**RLUH -**  
Royal Liverpool  
University Hospital

### CLERGY:

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Fr Stephen Lee  
Fr Chris McCoy  
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# Cathedral Notice Board

## MASS INTENTIONS

Mrs Kathleen Branigan (Sick), James Templeton (RIP), Teresa Judkins (RIP), Elizabeth Collins (RIP), Milt Simons (Get Well Soon), Pat Wright (Intentions), Mo Hynes (Get Well), Noreen Miller (RIP), Anthony Dutton (RIP), Sheila Brennan (RIP), Margaret Moloney (RIP), Simon Stewart (RIP), Pat Shaw (RIP).

## MICAH

Just a reminder also that donations in kind can still be dropped off any time at the constable's lodge at the Anglican Cathedral, outside Liverpool Parish Church, and also at St Vincent's from 10am on Tuesdays and at St Bride's from 10am on Thursdays. As in past weeks the things that they need the most are pasta and tinned fish.

<https://micahliverpool.com/latest/news/>

## PASTORAL FORMATION UPDATE

Reflection for the Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (also available as an audio download). Readings for the Twenty Third

Sunday in Ordinary Time. School of Prayer: Centring prayer

All can be accessed/downloaded at <https://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/> or through <http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/> by clicking on 'Prayer and Other Resources'.

## POLITE NOTICE

While we will attempt to take appropriate precautions consistent with the advice of public health authorities, parishioners should understand that they assume the risk of contracting COVID-19 any time they enter a public space since such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection.

For your information, and to support people at home who are still shielding, we will be livestreaming and recording the Mass at 11.00am. The recording will be shown live on Facebook and Youtube, and a copy of the recording will be available on these platforms. Please note the camera will be directed away from people receiving Holy Communion. Should you wish not to be filmed, please speak to Cathedral Security, or one of the Stewards who will direct you to a seat in the West Gallery.

## PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

God Our Father, each person is precious to You. You are the Giver of life. Have mercy on us and protect us at this time, as the coronavirus threatens health and life. You are an ever-present Helper in time of trouble. Watch over those who are suffering, give strength to those who are aiding the sick and give courage to all in this time of anxiety. We ask this of you in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

We pray for Pope Francis who constantly urges people to seek peace and reconciliation even in the most difficult circumstances. We pray for all who work for peace and justice in the war-torn parts of our world.

We pray for our health workers and carers ... may their daily acts of healing and caring be valued and appreciated by us all.

We pray for teachers as they return to their classrooms with all the new restrictions impacting on the learning environment ... may they be safe and protected from the virus with which we are all learning to live.

We pray for those who have died and those close to death ... may they know the peace of God's presence.

## GOLDEN BOOK OFFICE

We are pleased to announce that the Golden Book Office is now open on Thursdays only from 12noon – 4pm. Please be patient as we work through the entries which have already been requested. There may be a slight delay in getting your entry processed. Contact details are 0151 707 2107 or email [t.lundbeck@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:t.lundbeck@metcathedral.org.uk) Thank you for your understanding.

## ADDITIONAL MASS

Please note that from next Saturday, 5 September, there will be an additional daily Mass at 10am in the Cathedral.

## WEDDINGS

Please remember in your prayers Emma Fox and Francis Stanton who will be married in the Cathedral this week.

## PRAYERS PLEASE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Canavan, a member of the Cathedral parish and community who died recently. May he rest in peace.

Please also pray for the repose of the soul of Julie Whelan, also a member of the Cathedral parish and community who has died. May she rest in peace.

## PASTORAL ASSOCIATE UPDATE

Helen Jones our Pastoral Associate writes, 'As the vibrancy of summer begins to fade, the rhythm of the seasonal change makes itself known: my morning alarm is now honking geese as they pass my window and gather for migration on the marsh - this Creation Time Season seems very real (resources online). Our environmental interconnectedness, especially during COVID has highlighted our interdependencies and watching those geese flying in formation together, I was struck with gratitude for the support we have been able to give one other during these months, however modest. I spotted a cartoon online by James Norbury of a tiny dragon riding on the back of a giant panda travelling along the road: "Which is more important," asked Big Panda, "the journey or the destination?" "The company," said Tiny Dragon. Have a great week ahead especially to our youngsters and school staff as they settle into their first full week of studies. God Bless, Helen.'

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