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# Cathedral Record

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## St Oscar Romero

We welcome staff, years 7, 8 and 9 students and parents of St Edward's College who join us for 11.00am Mass this Sunday. The feast of St Edward the Confessor, 13<sup>th</sup> October, falls midweek with this being the nearest Sunday to the feast. At one time St Edward was the patron Saint of England but after a century or two was replaced by St George. Despite his demotion he is still an important national saint and here on Merseyside as well as being patron of the College he is also the patron of the legal profession who also hold their Annual Judges Service on a Sunday either side of St Edward's Day.

Next Thursday marks the third anniversary of the Canonisation of St Oscar Romero. Just before the start of the Pandemic we had been approached to have a service at the Cathedral to mark the Canonisation of St Oscar and to receive a relic, a tiny particle of his rib bone, given as a gift to the Cathedral in recognition of the fact that there had been an annual memorial mass within the Liverpool Diocese since the Archbishops martyrdom in 1980. People here had wanted to keep his memory alive – his courage, unbending faith and his dedication to fighting for justice for his people against an oppressive regime in San Salvador. This Thursday Archbishop Malcolm will preside at a Service of Choral Evening Prayer at 6pm to celebrate the canonisation of St Oscar Romero and to receive the gift of the Relic.

During the service Fr Stephen Pritchard will share some memories of visiting San Salvador and the place where the Archbishop was shot saying Mass and meeting some of St Oscars family and priests and people who knew him.

The 5pm evening Mass on Thursday will still go ahead but will take place in the Crypt Chapel.

There are two major articles in the Catholic Pictorial Magazine for this month which may be of interest to our readers. Bishop Tom Williams received his 'Freedom of the City' honour last week and there is an article and lots of photos of the event captured in the Pic. It was an enjoyable and moving tribute to Bishop Tom's involvement in church and city life. Throughout his life other than his seminary education he has only ever lived within four miles of the city centre.

The other article is about Deacon John Power and his new full time role as military chaplain. John attended the Saturday evening Mass in the Crypt with his dad for many years and during his ministry training acted as sacristan for that Mass. Some of you will remember him. He is now one of the deacons at St Oswalds parish when he is home on leave from his chaplaincy duties. He is pictured in training driving a tank which I have to admit to being slightly envious!

**Canon Anthony O'Brien Cathedral Dean**

## Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 8 October 2021

### Sunday 8 October 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

**9.00am** Mass  
**10.00am** Family Mass Crypt  
**11.00am** Solemn Choral Mass  
This Mass will be streamed live on Facebook and Youtube  
**7.00pm** Mass Crypt

### Monday 11 October

**7.45am** Morning Prayer  
**8.00am** Mass  
**12.15pm** Mass Crypt  
**5.00pm** Mass

### Tuesday 12 October

**7.45am** Morning Prayer  
**8.00am** Mass  
**12.15pm** Mass Crypt  
**5.00pm** Mass

### Wednesday 13 October

**7.45am** Morning Prayer  
**8.00am** Mass  
**12.15pm** Mass Crypt  
**5.00pm** Confirmation Mass

### Thursday 14 October

**7.45am** Morning Prayer  
**8.00am** Mass  
**12.15pm** Mass Crypt  
**5.00pm** Sung Mass Crypt  
**6.00pm** Choral Evening Prayer – Oscar Romero

### Friday 15 October

**St Teresa of Avila**  
**7.45am** Morning Prayer  
**8.00am** Mass  
**12.15pm** Mass Crypt  
**5.00pm** Sung Mass

### Saturday 16 October

**8.45am** Morning Prayer  
**9.00am** Mass  
**5.00pm** Vigil Mass BSC

**EXPOSITION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
Will take place from 4.00pm on Fridays.

**RECONCILIATION (Confession) (From 4 September onwards)**

**Monday - Friday:**  
Following the 12.15pm Mass Crypt

**Please note that there are no Confessions on Holy Days.**  
**Saturday:** 9.30am - 10.30am & 3.30pm - 4.30pm

**Crypt**  
Crypt Chapel

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

**RLUH -**  
Royal Liverpool  
University Hospital

### CLERGY:

**PRIESTS:**  
Canon Anthony O'Brien *Dean*  
Fr Stephen Lee  
Fr Chris McCoy  
Fr Peter Murphy

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# Cathedral Notice Board

## MASS INTENTIONS

Gerard Webb (RIP), Holy Souls, John O'Hare (RIP), Margaret Devine (Remembrance), Mike Dunning (RIP), Margaret Clarke (Intention), Marie Sumner (RIP), Ronnie and Maureen Trigg (RIP), Peter Maloney (RIP), Ben and Adele Highland (Intention), Dunning Family (Intention), Fay Balance (RIP), Molly and Family (Intention),m Lwrence Taubman (RIP), Ehlen Family (Intention), Jan and Alex Taubman (Intention), Ron Kelly (RIP), Sandra (Birthday Remembrance).

## "WITH YOU ALWAYS" PREPARATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION

We are looking forward to supporting families in preparing their children to receive the great gifts of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, and now invite you to register your interest. If your child is in Year 4 (or above) at school and is wanting to celebrate these two Sacraments this year, please contact Fr Peter by emailing [p.murphy@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:p.murphy@metcathedral.org.uk) before Friday 24th September.

## JOURNEY IN FAITH

There are many ways to become a Catholic! Here at the Cathedral, we like to gather a group of interested people for an hour or so each Monday evening. Together, we learn from each other, share, listen and belong. It's totally informal and above all, friendly. We already have a little group of about four, ready to meet soon and explore. Why not get in

touch? You'd be so welcome! 0151 709 9222 (Ext 201) [enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk)

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy will start this weekend at the 10.00am Family Mass. All children attending this Mass would be welcome to join in. An announcement will be made during the Mass. If anyone would like to help out on a rota basis for the Children's Little Church please contact

[c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk)

## CATHEDRAL READERS

We are actively looking for people to come forward who are interested in becoming part of our Guild of Readers. This is a really important ministry within our Cathedral community. As we start to think about our own road map and adding in more Masses to our timetable we need people to come onto our Readers rota. You don't need any previous experience and full training will be given, and any concerns or queries will be answered. All you need is some confidence and to be reliable. If you would like more details, or are interested please email [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk) in the first instance and we can then put you in touch with the Readers co-ordinator.

## CATHEDRAL BOOKCLUB

We are delighted that after meeting on Zoom since March 2020 we are now meeting in person. If anyone is interested in joining our friendly reading group please email [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk)

## CATHEDRAL GUIDES AND WELCOMERS

Our recent requests for more members have been very successful. We are now focusing on Friday and Saturday afternoons, 1-4pm. Would you like to join us? We'd need a regular weekly commitment. Our work is to welcome our visitors and if you like, to assist in providing guided tours. Some of our members choose to offer desk welcome, or guided tours or both. If you are interested, I'd love to hear from you: Deacon Paul: [p.mannings@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:p.mannings@rcaol.org.uk)

## VOLUNTEER YOUR TEACHING TALENT

Are you a retired or part time qualified teacher? You could be part of the cathedral's Education Service team! Come and help hundreds of school children and young people to learn about this wonderful cathedral. *'It's a joy to watch children be amazed by the sheer beauty of John Piper's lantern of light and colour and be able to bring the cathedral to life for the generations of the future'*. For more information about what is involved please contact us at [education@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:education@metcathedral.org.uk)

## MICAH FOODBANK

Although in August the foodbank has returned to normal operations after 18 months under restrictions, we are now preparing, along with many other agencies in Liverpool, to welcome and support refugees expected from Afghanistan in the coming weeks. Full details, including a full shopping list, can be found

on the Micah website: [Plan for Afghanistan - Welcome to Micah Liverpool](#). For anyone without online access, items particularly needed for the women and children we expect to see include jars of baby food, sanitary products, nappies (sizes 4 - 6) and toiletries in general. Thanks to everyone for your continuing support.

## LECTIO GROUP

A group of young adults meets in the student house by the cathedral every Friday evening to pray together using the Sunday readings and share some food after. If you would like to find out more please email

James: [djmoroney@cantab.net](mailto:djmoroney@cantab.net)

## UNIVERSAL SYNOD

For a Synodal Church: On Sunday 17 October, the Archdiocese of Liverpool is going to mark the opening of the local phase of the universal Synod 2021-23 with Choral Evening Prayer in the Metropolitan Cathedral AT 3.00pm. This will also be an opportunity to pray for the forthcoming pastoral plan, the fruit of our own archdiocesan Synod 2020. All are welcome to attend.

## CATHEDRAL WALKING GROUP

Will meet on Sunday 10 October straight after the Solemn Mass in the Cathedral Car Park. The walk will cover Sefton and Princes Parks. All welcome. For further details email [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk)

Last week's collection: **£1,363.00**



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**LUTYENS CRYPT**  
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Open Monday – Saturday: First Admission: 10am, Last Admission: 3.30pm  
 Crypt Admission Charges: £5 Adult, £12 Family (2 adults + 2 children)

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### Golden Book of Remembrance

The Golden Book is open and accepting your entries but on a limited basis for the time being. Please email [goldenbook@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:goldenbook@metcathedral.org.uk) or telephone 0151 707 2107 where a member of the team will assist you.