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Love Does Not Come To An End

As the placement for Peter Ross, our Seminarian comes to an end Peter writes,

‘These words from our second reading have been on my mind recently. Saint Paul’s direct truth, in what is arguably his most famous contribution to the scriptures, his discourse on love, stands as a lesson for you and me. A reminder that, no matter what, or where, the power of God binds us together as one body. Nevertheless, the ‘what’ and the ‘where’ are important and since September my ‘what’ and ‘where’ have consisted in a placement, lived out, in and around this Cathedral. At the outset, I had no doubt that I would meet good people here, people who cared for God and neighbour. But as always, the reality proves to be far more vivid than the daydream.

living witness of this place consists, not solely in due pomp and solemnity, but also in you and me, the people that make up the community of Christ the King. As Pope Saint John Paul II said to young people here in 1982; “You are a living Cathedral of Liverpool”. How true these words prove to be for us all. Together as a parish community, we are alive in Christ as one body. So, our generosity, is a participation in Christ’s saving generosity. This is a message that wins people over! Perhaps this is what is really meant when we talk about evangelisation. How wonderful it is that we play a part in this mission.

So, although it’s only been a few months, I have to say that I feel like a member of this community and for that fact alone I am deeply fortunate. Fortunate to have been in this wonderful place, fortunate to have been at home in Liverpool, but above all, fortunate to be united with you! Indeed, as Saint Paul said; “Love does not come to an end”, so all of this does not cease after this weekend!

For me, the exceptional characteristic of this place is the level of self-generosity. People here are generous with their time to a great extent. From our guides to our servers, generosity is abounding. This way of living is attractive. It can be said that the spending of self, in aid of others, does much more to spread the good news than any lecture or sermon. Indeed, the

Mass & Service Times

All services take place in the cathedral unless marked otherwise

WEEK COMMENCING 30 January 2022

Sunday 30 January

Fourth 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 31 January

St John Bosco

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

Tuesday 1 February

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass
12.30pm Middy Prayer Cath
 Please note this replaces the **12.15pm** Mass
5.00pm Mass

Wednesday 2 February

The Presentation of the Lord

6.45am Morning Prayer
7.00am Mass
 Please note this replaces the **8am** Mass
12.15pm Mass Crypt
5.00pm Sung Mass

Thursday 3 February

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass
12.15pm Chapter Mass BSC
5.00pm Sung Mass

Friday 4 February

7.45am Morning Prayer
8.00am Mass Crypt
12.15pm Mass
5.00pm Sung Mass
5.30pm Choral Evening Prayer

Saturday 5 February

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)

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

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MASS INTENTIONS

John Faulkner (RIP), Mrs Eileen Rennie (Get Well), Frances Walsh (RIP), Kath Morgan (In Memory), Gerard Webb (RIP), Holy Souls, Jim Johnson (RIP), Arthur Staniford (RIP), Lisa Farrell (RIP Anniversary), Benedict Nazareth (Birthday Remembrance), Leo Nazareth (Birthday Remembrance).

LGBTQ+

The next LGBTQ+ Catholic Mass, with a social afterwards, is on Sunday 20th February 2022 at 2.00pm at St Richards, Mayfield Street, Atherton, M46 0AQ. For more information and to RSVP, please contact Fr Maloney on 0151 287 8787 or email frsmaloney@aol.com.

NEWS FROM ST NICHOLAS' CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Last Wednesday we had a lovely surprise here at school when we received an email from a local charity asking if we would be interested in having some bulbs delivered to plant in the school grounds. Of course we replied swiftly saying, "Yes! we'd love them". Later that day, 32 plant pots arrived in boxes with beautiful sprouting amaryllis plants emerging from them. We now have these around school brightening the dark winter days. Hopefully they will bloom soon and add splashes of lovely colour to let us know spring is on its way. We thank the charity for donating them.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Any young person currently in year 8 (or above) is welcome to register to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Registration will close on Monday 21st March. To register they should visit liverpoolcalled.co.uk and click 'Register for Confirmation' at the top right-hand side of the page. Information about the preparation scheme that young people will follow can also be found on the Liverpool Called website.

WE ARE RECRUITING FOR ALTAR SERVERS

Would you like to take a more active role in our Cathedral liturgy and become an Altar Server? We are always delighted to welcome new members to the team. We welcome boys and girls aged 8+ to join us, either in the Cathedral itself for the 11am Solemn Mass, or down in the Crypt Chapel where we need servers for the 10am Mass as well. Adults are also welcome. Please chat to one of the senior servers after Mass or email us at enquiries@metcathedral.org.uk and we can arrange a chat. You would be warmly welcomed.

CATHEDRAL GUIDES AND WELCOMERS

We have been delighted with the uptake! There is one vacancy on Thursday and one on Friday, with two on a Saturday afternoon. So, if you want to be based at one of our welcome desks or move about as a guide, or both, we'd love to hear from you: Deacon Paul p.mannings@rcaol.org.uk

COULD YOU BE A DEACON?

Having received our Synod Pastoral Plan, which sets out concrete actions to change our ways of working, so that our Church becomes more inclusive, more welcoming and more engaged with those on the margins, the ministry of

deacons will continue to evolve alongside the presbyteral ministry in the service of the priesthood of all the baptised. If you would like to hear how this is working out and you feel this may be your calling too, please join Archbishop Malcolm and the diaconate team in an evening meeting for men who may be wondering if they are called to serve as deacons and what the formation involves. Wives and supporting priests or deacons are also welcome. **Tuesday 22 February 2022** 7.30-9pm (refreshments from 7pm). **St Gregory's Parish House**, Weldbank Lane, Chorley PR7 3NW. If you are interested in the diaconate but unable to attend this evening, please email diaconate@rcaol.org.uk for more information.

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

His Eminence Cardinal Michael Louis Fitzgerald, MA, BA, STD, PhD will lecture on "Human Fraternity": A proposal and a project for relations between Christians and Muslims. Cardinal Michael is a leading expert on interreligious dialogue, in particular Christian-Muslim relations, and a member of the community of Missionaries of Africa (White Fathers) based at St Vincent de Paul. (The aim of this lecture is to present the Document on Human Fraternity for World Peace and Living Together signed jointly by Pope Francis and the Grand Imam of Al-Azhar, Dr Ahmad al-Tayyeb, in Abu Dhabi on 4th February 2019). Liverpool Hope University is pleased to invite you to a distinguished lecture on

Thursday 17th February 2022 from 5.30pm in The Senate Room (HCA Building) at our Hope Park Campus, Childwall, L16 9JD. Prior to the lecture refreshments will be available in the Senior Common Room (HCA Building) from 5.00pm. If you are able to attend we would be grateful if you could respond to rectorate@hope.ac.uk by Monday 7th February 2022 at the latest. This is a public lecture and is open to anyone to attend, so please feel free to pass this invitation on to anyone you think might be interested.

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA

Please find below the new recruitment video for the KSC. The link to access it is <https://youtu.be/YvqkVtIKUek>. The Knights of Saint Columba is a Catholic fraternal organisation which exists to support the mission and the social doctrine of the Catholic Church.

MICAH FOODBANK

At the moment we've got plenty of pasta but we are now low on fish (especially canned tuna) and nappies. We're so grateful for the continuing gifts of food and financial support - they mean a lot to the entire Micah community.

PLEASE NOTE

Due to the Joint Bishops' Meeting next week the 12.15pm Mass on Tuesday will be replaced by Midday Prayer in the Cathedral - all are welcome to attend. Mass is at 7am on Wednesday and not 8am. All are welcome.

Last week's collection: **£754.36**



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