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Year A

Psalter Week 2

“I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children”

One of the things which strikes me time and time again is how, during significant moment of discernment, the Lord grants us the grace we need to be able to see things from a new perspective, whether it is a matter of faith, or perhaps our relationship with the Lord, or, indeed, our relationship with others. This can come as quite a surprise! Being able to see things from a new perspective can lead to moments of significant change in our lives. Quite often, we can become so familiar with the *status quo* that we end up not truly *seeing* the reality at all. This is how we can end up coasting through life. And so, approaching situations and significant moments with a ‘fresh pair of eyes’ enables us to open ourselves up and see things for what they really are, with blinkers removed.

St. Matthew makes specific reference today to those those things, hidden from the learned and clever, being revealed to “*mere children*”. Children, without the complexities of adulthood, have an instinctive trust and purity about them through which their truthfulness shine forth. While, in our adult lives we can become naturally cynical and distrusting, our young people have a lot to teach us in the purity of prayer and intention when we approach our heavenly Father.

Seeing things with a ‘fresh pair of eyes’ means approaching Him with that same childlikeness; seeking to remove those obstacles which get in the way.



e-Newsletter Signup

You can now sign up to receive the Cathedral’s *e-Newsletter*. Either scan the QR code adjacent, or visit the Cathedral website for the link.

SERVICES DURING THE WEEK

The Masses and other liturgies are now broadcast through the Cathedral website. The Cathedral Camera can be viewed via the website's main page.

Sunday <i>Fourteenth</i> <i>Sunday</i>	11:00am	Sung Mass: Arandora Star Memorial Mass
	12:00pm	Celebrant: <i>Archbishop George Stack</i>
	4:30pm	<i>Zoom Coffee Break (login details in the newsletter)</i> Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction
Monday	09:30am	Mass: Intentions of the Celebrant
	5:00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesday	09:30am	Mass: Baker and Scanlan Families
	11:00am	Open for Private Prayer <i>until 3:00pm</i>
	5:00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Wednesday	11:00am	Open for Private Prayer <i>until 3:00pm</i>
Thursday	11:00am	Open for Private Prayer <i>until 3:00pm</i>
	12:00pm	<i>Lectio Divina</i> via Zoom (login details in the newsletter)
	5:00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	6:00pm	Mass:
Friday	09:30am	Mass: Intentions of the Celebrant
	5:00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday <i>St. Benedict</i>	09:30am	Mass: Intentions of the Celebrant
	11:00am	Open for Private Prayer <i>until 3:00pm</i>
	5:00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Sunday <i>Fifteenth</i> <i>Sunday</i>	11:00am	Sung Mass: the Cathedral Community
	12:00pm	<i>Zoom Coffee Break (login details in the newsletter)</i>
	1:00pm	Open for Private Prayer <i>until 3:00pm</i>
	4:30pm	Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction

INFORMATION

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Stack

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Rev. Daniel
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Lectio Divina via Zoom

The virtual *Lectio Divina* Prayer Group continues via Zoom on **Thursday afternoon**, beginning at **12:00pm**. We pray with the Gospel reading for the following Sunday.

To enter the Zoom meeting, the Meeting ID is **868 571 1627**, and the password is **cathedral**.

July ~ Month Dedicated to the Precious Blood of Christ

July is traditionally dedicated to the Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus

Christ. It is a recognition of Jesus' sacrifice and how he spilled his blood for the salvation of humanity. Devotion to the Precious Blood is one of the most ancient of pious Church practices.

I have included the *Litany of the Precious Blood* on the Cathedral website, which is encouraged to be prayed throughout the month of July. The page also contains a video presentation of the Litany, recorded for EWTN.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

If you require the assistance of the Cathedral's SVP group, please contact Kevin directly on this designated phone number - **07933 720 845**.

Cathedral Zoom Coffee Break

The regular Zoom Coffee Breaks continue each Sunday after Mass, ***beginning at 12:00pm***.

The meeting ID: **868-571-1627**. The password to enter the meeting is '**cathedral**'.

Reopening Our Cathedral

Yesterday, Archbishop George officially reopened the Cathedral for private prayer. This is a time of great blessing for our city and for our Archdiocese. As His Grace mentions in his most recent letter, being able to re-open our doors for prayer is an important step; something to give

thanks to Almighty God for. Archbishop George says:

“... So, although we “wait in joyful hope” for the time when we can come together once more for Mass, we give thanks for the important steps of the phased re-opening of churches for private prayer...”

The full letter is available to download from the Cathedral website.

While the Cathedral is now open on specific days and times for private prayer, things are not yet back to any sort of ‘normality’. This is a long way off. The Faith Forum group is working closely with the Welsh Government about the next phase of the re-opening.

The Cathedral is open for a set period of time throughout the week:

Tuesdays - Thursdays

11:00am - 3:00pm

Saturdays

11:00am - 3:00pm

Sundays

1:00pm - 3:00pm

There are stewards available in the Cathedral to assist in the safe opening of the Cathedral. There is a full listing of all the churches of the Archdiocese which are open for prayer on the diocesan website (rcadc.org)

Cathedral Newsletter

In May we launched the Cathedral’s *e-Newsletter*, which now has over seventy subscribers. I am very grateful for you signing up. If you would like to sign up, visit the newsletter page of the Cathedral website, or click the link at the top of the Facebook page.

I am conscious that not everyone has the ability to receive the *e-Newsletter*. I print copies of the newsletter out each week, and they are available in the newsletter box outside the main doors of the Cathedral.

During this time of pandemic, I am also happy to post the newsletter to anyone who is unable to receive it via email or pick it up from the Cathedral itself. Please phone me at Clergy House to leave your address, and I will add your name to the list.