



CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY TO THE LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITIES

The University Church of St Philip Neri Church ~ "The Oratory Church"

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1st Sunday of Advent (Year B)



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Events for Students and University Members:

Masses & Services This Week:

**Monday: 8.15am Mass at the MC Convent (55 Seel St)
6pm Mass in church – prior to Christmas Dinner at the
Blackburne Arms!**

**Tuesday: No morning prayer or breakfast this week!
No 6.00pm Mass***

Wednesday : No Mass or lunchtime meeting at Faith Express this week

Thursday Adoration 5.30pm*
*events in the chaplaincy; Blackburne Place entrance
Saturday: Mass 9.30am in church, ad orientem

**Sunday: Mass 6pm – this will be the last Sunday Mass of term.
The first Sunday Mass of 2024 will be on the 7th of January.**

Weekend Retreat: February 23-25th at Wistaston Hall, Crewe

Our weekend retreat is in many ways the highlight of the chaplaincy year. Once again our friends, the Dominican Sisters who were so popular last year will be joining us to lead the event. This year we will be going to beautiful Wistaston Hall in Crewe, a retreat centre operated by the OMI Fathers. Crewe is easily accessible by train. The cost for the weekend (which doesn't include transport this year) will be £40. Application forms will be available from the start of next term. Places are limited and demand is likely to be high, so get you application in early!



Thursday evening this week:

**Adoration (5.30-6.00pm);
£1 supper. All welcome!**

This week Fr Sean Riley (who was an altar server at my Ordination Mass!) will be joining us, and talking to us about his role as Canon Lawyer and Chancellor of the Archdiocese

Tuesday Evening: House Prayer & Fellowship in the Student House 7pm-8.30pm. Please go directly to the house at 30 Catharine St., ring the bell marked 'students'



Next Saturday: Gardening 10am-12noon, followed by bacon butties!

Still **one room left** in the student house for 2024-25...we'd be particularly interested to hear from any girls who might consider staying...

Weekly Collection & other donations, you can pay online at philipnerihouse.sumupstore.com
Thank you so much for your contributions



LJMU students - It was good to meet a group of you last Monday at the Student Life building. We agreed that there will be termly meeting there next year. We'll aim to meet again in the second semester.

Tuesday 12th December:
Mass for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, followed by 'Hispanic social'!! The Rite of Mass will be said in Spanish, but everyone is welcome!



On Thursday 14th December. Cathsoc are organizing a Christmas film night at the Guild, so there will be no Adoration or Shared Meal that night.



I am very happy that 2 of you have decided to train as volunteers for Mary's Meals. What can we do here to help raise money? Suggestions when we met a couple of weeks ago were: bake sale, ticketed social event, making the Thursday £1 supper a "£2 supper" with the extra donated to Mary's Meals...any others? It costs just £19.15 to feed a child for a whole school year, so a donation of any amount will go a long way!

Please note: all chaplaincy events are open to university members who are **18 yrs of age or older**. If you are under 18 at the moment, please make yourself known to Fr Neil or to Hana

Vegetarian, Vegan or special diets: for events with catering, we are happy to provide suitable alternatives if you let us know in advance you are coming, and tell us what you can or can't have!