

- 1 Sir Giles Gilbert Scott was aged 22 when he won the competition to be the architect to build an Anglican Cathedral in Liverpool. He died on this day in 1960. Giles not only designed that very inspiring and huge cathedral (and the very big Battersea Power Station by the River Thames in London) but he also designed the red telephone box, many of which have now been replaced in our streets by British Telecom.
- 2 We can think of the skills that Scott must have needed for designing both the largest Anglican cathedral in the world, and the small red telephone box.
- 3 Liverpool now has two magnificent cathedrals. Years ago in Liverpool there used to be rivalry - and even hatred - between Catholics and Protestants. Yet it is interesting that it was a Catholic who designed the Anglican Cathedral, and it was an Anglican who designed the Catholic Cathedral. The road connecting the two great churches is called "*Hope Street*", and we pray today for real *hope and understanding* between all Christians and between all people of good will.
- 4 *Let us pray:*

**Lord, we ask you to open our eyes  
that we may value and appreciate  
all people,  
recognising what we have in common  
rather than focusing  
on what our differences might be.**

**Inspire us to distinguish  
between what is important  
and what is not,  
and open our minds and hearts  
that we may always be people  
of good will  
who bring life and joy to others.**

**Amen.**

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