Alpha	Parishes of St Robert Bellarmine and St Elizabeth of Hungary Parish Office: 52 Orrell Road Bootle L20 6DZ **Parish Priest: Fr Faustinus Ugwuanyi** Tel 0151 922 1352 Registered Charity No 1199714 **19th October 2024 – 27th October 2024**	Omega

TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

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Saturday 19 October	**(St Elizabeth's)**	**5.00 pm**	**Cathy Lynskey (Lately Dead)**
Sunday 20 October	(St Robert's)	11.00 am	Joan Smith (Remembrance)
Tuesday 22 October	(St Robert's)	9.00 am	Roy Maloney (Lately Dead)
Wednesday 23 October	**(St Elizabeth's)**	**9.00 am**	**Frank Finnegan (Lately Dead)**
Friday 25 October	(St Robert's)	9.00 am	Cathy Lynskey (Lately Dead)

THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

Saturday 26 October	**(St Elizabeth's)**	**5.00 pm**	**Tony Burns (Lately Dead)**
Sunday 27 October	(St Robert's)	11.00 am	Brian Murray (Anniversary Remembrance)

CONFESSIONS

Confessions on Tuesday morning after mass at St Robert Bellarmine's,
Wednesday morning after mass at St Elizabeth's **OR,**
at any other time by appointment – please contact the Parish Office

THE PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office can be contacted on 0151 922 1352 or by email strobert@rcaol.org.uk.
The Parish Office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday between 9:30am and 1:30pm.
Any calls or messages outside these times will not be answered immediately, but you will receive a call back as soon as possible.

Please pray for the following who have died and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Lately Dead: Pauline Ross, Frances Taylor

Anniversaries: Brian Murray

Please remember the sick and those who care for them.
Hazel Dempster, Rachel Capener, Alan Mercer, Colin Faulke, Robbie Pennington, Gary Ford, Kathleen Colleran, Rose Westhead, Tony Mitchell, Sheila Thompson, Alan Wain, Dougie Wain, Janet Broomfield, Anthony Ward, Frances Williamson, Harriet Lawler, Paul James, Carol Barnes, Ged Barnes, Ellen Carragher, Ed Schofield, Wendi Warner, John Mitchell, Joe Mitchell, Fr Des Seddon, Gill Platt, Ann Marie Hore

To be included on the sick list please, write down names and post them in the presbytery letter box, or email the Parish Office – strobert@rcaol.org.uk
Please make the person aware, as they may not want their name published.

SEEING YOURSELF THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL MARK 10:35-45

1. Jesus had spent much time teaching his followers that discipleship was a life of service, a life of giving oneself for others. In spite of that James and John were thinking of what they could get out of it. For Jesus, for the apostles, and for each one of us, the glory of God is revealed when we allow God to work through us as we give ourselves for others. When have you found that you reach a fuller life, and others benefit, when you act in this spirit of service?

2. One of the great problems in a community, a parish, or an organisation, is when you have some people jockeying for status and positions of power. The good of the group and the people it serves take second place to personal prestige. You have probably seen this happen. Perhaps you have also witnessed people with a spirit of service that allowed them to value the good of the group over personal rewards. Recall them and give thanks for their witness.

3. Is it not true that people who are servant leaders are also good listeners? This is at the heart of the synodal process being promoted by Pope Francis for communities at all levels in the Church. How is good listening being promoted on communities to which you belong? What encourages you to be a good listener?

4. Jesus himself is the great model of this spirit of service. Think of the aspects of Jesus' life and ministry that have inspired you to imitate his giving of his life for others?

John Byrne OSA

FUNERAL THIS WEEK

There will be a Funeral Mass for **Bernadette (Brenda) Cowley** on Tuesday 22nd October at 2:00 pm at St Robert Bellarmine's Church.

May She Rest In Peace

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS AT IRENAEUS

You are invited to join us for our Life in the Spirit seminars. Tuesday evenings 7.00 PM – 8.30 PM 15th October – 19th November 2024.

The CDSC (Charismatic Service of Communion) in the Liverpool Archdiocese are facilitating the 'Life in the Spirit Seminars' at the Irenaeus Centre in Waterloo L22 1RD. This is an opportunity to recognise the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

See the poster at the back of church for information.

PARISH CENSUS

HAVE YOU RETURNED YOUR CENSUS FORM YET?
IF NOT, PLEASE DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Catholic Pic

The October issue of the Catholic Pic is now available at the back of church.

You can view it online at;
https://issuu.com/catholic_pic/docs/catholic_pic_october_2024

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Father of goodness and love,
Hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.
Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence.
Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness,
make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits.
May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts.
We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed.
Amen

PARISH READERS

The Liturgy Commission are offering parish readers (existing or new) an opportunity to come together for some practical training and reflection on their important ministry this autumn.
Readers are welcome to come to any of the following mornings:

Saturday 2nd November - Leyland, PR25 1PD.

All 10am to 1pm (followed by lunch - bring a packed lunch)

Please speak to Christine for details and/or see the poster at the back of church.

COFFEE MORNING

Join us after mass at St Robert's on Sunday mornings for a cup of tea, coffee and a biscuit in the George Inch Hall. All are welcome.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

This Sunday, the Holy Father invites all Catholics to support Missio, his charity for world mission, through a special collection. Please use one of the Missio envelopes which you can find at the back of church or visit missio.org.uk to donate online.
Thank you.

During this time while some are unable to receive the Eucharist at Mass, you may like to use a prayer of spiritual communion.

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.
I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
And unite myself wholly to You.
I love you, my Jesus:
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES AND MASS OFFERINGS

Many thanks to all those who have been passing their Offertory envelopes to Church, and to those who have set up a standing order or donated online.

The Archdiocese have set up two online ways to enable you to make your donation. I have provided details for both methods on this page. Thank you to those who donate in this way.

Online and Text Giving

Online Giving – Please choose the correct Parish.

The Archdiocesan online giving website can be used for both one-off and regular monthly donations.
To make donations directly to St Robert's, follow the link;

https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-robert-bellarmine-litherland

To donate directly to St Elizabeth's follow the link
https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-elizabeth-litherland

Donations may be made by standing order, as a one-off donation, or as a regular weekly donation. Please don't forget to tick the gift aid box if you are a UK taxpayer as this will boost your donation by 25% at no extra cost to yourself.

Text Giving – Please text the correct Parish

Text giving is also available, and the details below are ready to use for accepting both one-off and regular donations. Four text giving campaigns have been created for each parish. The details of each campaign are given below.

Text ***STROBERT or STELIZABETH*** to 70085 to donate £2. Texts cost £2 plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £2 but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text ***STROBERTNOINFO or STELIZABETHNOINFO*** to 70085.

Text ***STROBERT or STELIZABETH*** to 70450 to donate £3. Texts cost £3 plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £3 but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text ***STROBERTNOINFO or STELIZABETHNOINFO*** to 70450.

Text ***STROBERT or STELIZABETH*** to 70460 to donate £5. Texts cost £5 plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £5 but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text ***STROBERTNOINFO or STELIZABETHNOINFO*** to 70460.

Text ***STROBERT or STELIZABETH*** to 70470 to donate £10. Texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £10 but do not wish to receive marketing communications,
text ***STROBERTNOINFO or STELIZABETHNOINFO*** to 70470.