| Alpha | Parishes of St Robert Bellarmine and St Elizabeth of Hungary<br>Parish Office: 52 Orrell Road Bootle L20 6DZ<br>**Parish Priest: Fr Faustinus Ugwuanyi**<br>Tel 0151 922 1352<br>Registered Charity No 1199714<br>**12th October 2024 – 20th October 2024** | Omega |
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# TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

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| **Saturday 12 October** | **(St Elizabeth's)** | **5.00 pm** | **Mary Kelly (Birthday Remembrance)** |
| Sunday 13 October | (St Robert's) | 11.00 am | Bernard King (Anniversary Remembrance) |
| Tuesday 15 October | (St Robert's) | 9.00 am | Ken Williams (Lately Dead) |
| **Wednesday 16 October** | **(St Elizabeth's)** | **9.00 am** | **Frank Finnegan (Lately Dead)** |
| Friday 18 October | (St Robert's) | 9.00 am | Aspinwall Family (Remembrance) |

**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) |

**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.

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON TUESDAY MORNING BUT OPEN BETWEEN 1.30PM – 3.30PM**

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:** Brenda Cowley, Pauline Ross

**Anniversaries:** Bernard King, Doug Faulke

**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: 17-30

1. We often get satisfaction from the things we own, clothes, cars, homes, gadgets, or money. There would be something unnatural if we did not. But what happens to us when our possessions begin to 'own' us, when they take a hold us, when we become obsessed with them? Jesus seeks followers who have the freedom to let go of possessions in order to be a servant of others. In whom have you seen this freedom? When have you experienced it yourself?

2. Growth implies change. That change sometimes means letting go of something we have at this moment: job, status, home, security, or something else we value. There can be an apparent loss in letting go. Yet have you ever found that you gained more than you lost by having the freedom to let go of something to which you had previously clung?

3. The disciples thought that Jesus was making impossible demands of people following him. He acknowledged that discipleship was impossible to us on our own efforts alone. How have you experienced the benefits of the help of others and of God when you were faced with difficulties in life?

*John Byrne OSA*

## DEANERY SYNODAL COUNCIL

The DSC met with the Deanery Clergy on Monday 23rd September.
At the meeting Jill Williams and Alan Stokes offered to be chairs alongside our Dean.

The main discussion was looking towards the future and how best we can carry out the mission of Our Lord in this part of the Diocese. We agreed to seek help in a facilitated process that will enable us to look at how we can work together and best use our resources.
We were asked to send a question or comment to the ASC (Archdiocesan Synodal Council) – we want to suggest that the Diocese look at the possibility of creating one parish out of all the Deanery parishes so we can better work together.

## 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 19th October - Waterloo, L22 1RD

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

Next 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.