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 **20th July 2024 – 28th July 2024**	Omega

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

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Saturday 20 July	**(St Elizabeth's)**	**5.00 pm**	**Bridget Watters (Birthday Remembrance)**
Sunday 21 July	(St Robert's)	11.00 am	John McAteer (Lately Dead)
Tuesday 23 July	(St Robert's)	9.00 am	Alex Wright (Anniversary Remembrance)
Friday 26 July	(St Robert's)	9.00 am	Mary Murney (Remembrance)

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

Saturday 27 July	**(St Elizabeth's)**	**5.00 pm**	**Sheila Blanchard (Remembrance)**
Sunday 28 July	(St Robert's)	11.00 am	Ann French and Jody Pennington (Remembrance)

CONFESSIONS

Confessions on Tuesday morning after mass at St Robert Bellarmine'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: Rita Knight, Leopold Kennedy

Anniversaries: Alex Wright

Please remember the sick and those who care for them.
Hazel Dempster, Rachel Capener, Ken Williams, 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, Roy Maloney, Paul James, Ann Barnes, Carol Barnes, Ged Barnes, Ellen Carragher, Ed Schofield, Wendi Warner, John Mitchell, Joe Mitchell, Fr Des Seddon

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 6: 30-34

1. The apostles reported to Jesus all that they had done and taught. Perhaps you have had the experience of being able to check in with somebody and share an experience. What have you learned from such conversations?

2. Jesus saw that the apostles needed to rest and eat. What has been your experience of finding a restful place after a busy day? What kind of nourishment have you found necessary in order to maintain energy and enthusiasm?

3. When Jesus saw the crowd, he recognised their need and reached out to them. Who has been a Jesus person for you, someone who recognised your need and reached out to you? For whom have you been a Jesus person in that way?

4. It sometimes can be difficult to strike a balance between responding to the needs of others and meeting our need for rest and nourishment. What has helped you to keep the balance right?

John Byrne OSA

CARITAS

On Monday 22nd July at 7.00pm, for an hour, in St George's Maghull, the Caritas group are holding an event to reflect on our response to the things we hear about refugees.

It will be led by Margaret Roche from SHARe.

SHARe Knowsley is a small grassroots charity that wants to help improve the lives of those living in our community who have left their homes and everything they know, to escape the horrors of persecution, violence, war and oppression. Not only is the word SHARe an acronym for Supporting and Helping Asylum seekers and Refugees, but it also sums up our philosophy in wanting to share our lives with whoever we meet, irrespective of where they come from, their story, language, colour, race, faith and gender. We treat everyone we meet with dignity, love, care and respect. Offering friendship is at the heart of everything we do .
We work hard to create a support network for asylum seekers and refugees, giving them the assistance they need to live with dignity, so that they can rebuild their lives.

Please come along. All welcome.

PARISH CENSUS

Please make sure you have a Parish Census form to take away and complete for your household. This will enable us to gather information; to assist in pastoral care - knowing who is in our parish and how to contact them – and for planning and improvements for the future. If you know of any neighbours who are parishioners, and may not be attending mass here, please take and pass a form to them.

Please leave completed forms in the box at the back of church.

Catholic Pic

The July 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_july_2024

THE NEW LECTIONARY

A new edition of the Lectionary, the book which contains the reading which are proclaimed at Mass, will come into use in England and Wales on the First Sunday of Advent 2024. The new Lectionary will use the English Standard Version – Catholic Edition of the Bible and the Abbey Psalter

The new Lectionary will come in 4 volumes at a total cost of £695 (£173.75 per volume) and if anyone would like to sponsor/donate towards the cost of a new volume, Fr Faustinus would be most grateful.

If this is something you are able to consider, please speak to Christine for more details.

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

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.



St Robert Bellarmine and St Elizabeth of Hungary Pray for Us



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.