

# PARISH OF SAINT OSCAR ROMERO SEAFORTH AND WATERLOO

Worshipping in Our Lady Star of the Sea and St Edmund of Canterbury churches  
Serving the Catholic Community formerly served by the Parishes of Our Lady Star of the Sea,  
Saint Thomas of Canterbury and Saint Edmund of Canterbury  
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## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Year B)

### Fr. Dominic's Desk: MillionMinutes Beacon Parish

As a MillionMinutes Beacon Parish the more parishioners who can engage with the training being offered (on the Pope's Apostolic Exhortation to all Christian young people "Christus Vivit") will mean more people to help shape our journey with MillionMinutes. If you would like to join us then:

**MillionMinutes Training:** on Pope Francis encyclical **Christus Vivit (Christ is Alive)**. There are 4 training sessions on this inspirational document which aim to help us broaden the horizons of youth ministry, opening the door for new opportunities to work with young people. Come and Join us as we discover some of the riches of Christus Vivit and how we can live it out in our Parish:

Join the Online training 7-9pm, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>:

<https://millionminutes.org/events/2021/3/12/living-out-christus-vivit-applying-the-holy-fathers-call-to-action-in-practice>

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### First Holy Communions Letter out this week:

Letters for First Holy Communion classes 19/20, 20/21, 21/22; will be sent to Our Lady Star of the Sea, St Edmund and St Thomas' and Ursuline Catholic primary schools to be distributed to the relevant children, mainly in Y5, Y4 and Y3. We will also send them out to those who began the course interrupted by Covid19 not in the named schools. If your child has not made their First Holy Communion, they are not in the named schools and you wish them to continue their faith journey by receiving Holy Communion for the first time, please e-mail the office and we will send the relevant letter to you when it is being sent to those in school. God Bless Fr. Dominic.

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### Called: Sacrament of Confirmation:

In Autumn 2021 the Archbishop is hoping to begin confirming young people in Year 8 and above in our Archdiocese. If you/your child would like to register for preparation for the sacrament please go to [liverpoolcalled.co.uk](http://liverpoolcalled.co.uk) and complete the registration form (which can be found at the top right of the website) and your local Confirmation co-ordinator will contact you to inform you of the next stages of the preparation process.

## Called: Deanery Confirmation Team:

To assist with the Confirmation preparation we are trying to create a team that can work together across the deanery, to help prepare our young people for this Sacrament. You do not need to be experienced in working with young people: there are several different roles. A willingness to be involved is the main thing – even if only for one meeting. If you are interested in being involved or would just like to know more about what might be involved, without any obligation, please contact Fr. Dominic on the parish e-mail.

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**CAFOD:** Thanks to all parishioners for your support of the CAFOD Lent Appeal. There are other ways to assist the poorest communities in the world as this year, the UK will host the 'COP26' climate talks in Glasgow in November. Many of the world's poorest countries are struggling to cope with the effects of climate change such as increased droughts, floods and cyclones. We need world leaders to put the poorest people at the heart of their talks and the UK has a critical role to play as host. Please sign our petition to the Prime Minister at [www.cafod.org.uk/reclaim](http://www.cafod.org.uk/reclaim).

A small group from the parish will be meeting the Sefton Central MP, Bill Esterson, online to let him know how strongly we feel as Catholics about protecting our earth and helping our sisters and brothers around the world. Please contact CAFOD parish rep: Sheila Cogley, 0151 345 8137, [sheilacogley@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sheilacogley@yahoo.co.uk), by 13th May if you would like to join us.

If you are in Sefton South constituency would you be willing to set up a meeting with Peter Dowd? If so contact [sfarnell@cafod.org.uk](mailto:sfarnell@cafod.org.uk) or phone 07779 804 241

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## Synod Zoom meetings with Synod Members:

The Synod members who worship in our Parish, including myself, will be participating in six Zoom meetings, to reflect on the Recommendations going forward to Synod, which they are going to vote on.

As we reflect on the story behind each of these recommendations, both the story collated by the Synod office and the story we each have heard, it would be great if others are also present to listen, reflect and share where they see the Holy Spirit calling the church in our Archdiocese at this time. The more ears that hear the story of the concrete recommendations and reflect in their voices, those stories, will lead us to hear all notes, sharps and flats that make up God's voice.

Meetings will take place on Tuesday nights 6:30pm – 8:00pm, from April 27 – June 1:

Meeting ID: 933 1509 6072

Passcode: 327786

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### **Baptisms:** *(Latest Government update)*

From Step 3 - **no earlier than 17 May**

- most significant life cycle events **can resume**, limited to no more than 30 people. This will include events such as weddings, wakes, private **baptisms**

Step 4 - **no earlier than 21 June**

- At Step 4, the government aims to remove all limits on life cycle events and other gatherings. This will be subject to the outcome of the scientific Events Research Programme, which will include a series of pilots using enhanced testing approaches and other measures to run events of larger sizes.
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## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Year B)

**Resp. Psalm:** You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.

**Gospel** Alleluia, alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in

**Acclamation:** you. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!

**Collection Envelopes:** If your envelopes are due for renewal in April they are available at the back of Star of the Sea church (if you need yours brought over to St Edmund's please e-mail the parish office).

### **SVP (Society of Saint Vincent de Paul) Local Catholic outreach.**

In these times if you feel able to support our SVP a collection box will be there each week as you leave our church buildings.

**Funerals coming up:** **Attendance at church funerals is strictly limited to 30 people**, we list here the Funerals coming up so we can pray for the family and friends of the deceased and join them in praying for their loved ones, **if you have not received a personal invite from the family to be one of the 30 please do not attend** as the rules on any gathering apply outside church for people's proximity:

- Tuesday 4 May 11:15am: Funeral Service at Thornton Crematorium: **Moyna Holbrook**
- Friday 7 May 10:45am: Requiem Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea: **Brenda Davies**
- Monday 10 May 1:00pm: Requiem Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea: **Tommy O'Toole**

### **Research Project into Pastoral Associate Scheme:**

Online Survey of Parishioners is now open, and can be accessed via the following link:

<https://lhubos.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/ministry-project-survey>

Survey will close at **5pm on Monday 31st May**.

**ALTAR WINE/BREADS:** *(A donation given in memory of a loved one (suggested £10))*

**May:** Lisa Connor, **June:** Peter Boyle

**THIS WEEK'S LAMP INTENTIONS:** *Lady or Sacred Heart Altar Lamps at Star will only be lit when intentions have been requested.* **OLSS: Sanctuary:**

### **PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:**

**Sick:** All the sick of the parishes, their relatives, friends and all those caring for them.

**Especially:** Billy White, Peter Cushing, Ann Hogg, Margaret Kerbey, Mary Dillon, Sharon Gilmour, Lyn Summerfield, Geraldine Ferris,

**Lately Dead:** Moyna Holbrook, Brenda Davies, Tommy O'Toole, Leo O'Connor, Dcn John Keeley

**Anniversary:** John Gray, Steve Timson,

### **From Saint Oscar Romero's Homilies:**

The world, despite its tragedies and its sorrows, is illuminated by the hope and the faith that flow from the word of God and from our hope and belief in Christ, for he now lives and will never die again, and he has the power to save all. (5 Sunday of Easter 13 May 1979)

# MASS & LITURGY TIMES

## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Year B)

### Vigil Mass for 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Saturday 1 May 2021)

4:00 pm	<b>OLSS Church</b>	People of the Parish
5:30 pm	<b>St. Edmunds</b>	Intentions of the Sisters at Seel St.

### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Sunday 2 May 2021)

9:45 am	<b>St. Edmunds</b>	Chris Bolger
11:30am	<b>OLSS Church</b>	Terry Clinton

### **Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles. (Monday 3 May 2021)**

Bank Holiday, No Mass

### **Feast of The English Martyrs. (Tuesday 4 May 2021)**

9:30 am	Live-Streamed only from Our Lady Star of the Sea	Patricia Clensey (LD)
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### **Wednesday of the 5<sup>th</sup> Week of Eastertide. (Wednesday 5 May 2021)**

10:00 am	Live-Streamed only from St Edmunds	John Gray
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### **Thursday of the 5<sup>th</sup> Week of Eastertide. (Thursday 6 May 2021)**

<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>St. Edmunds</b>	Pauline McManus (80 <sup>th</sup> Birthday)
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### **Friday of the 5<sup>th</sup> Week of Eastertide. (Friday 7 May 2021)**

8:30 am	Live-Streamed only from Our Lady Star of the Sea	Barbara Brown
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## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Year B)

### Vigil Mass for 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Saturday 8 May 2021)

4:00 pm	<b>OLSS Church</b>	Margorie Colloby
5:30 pm	<b>St. Edmunds</b>	Paul, Clare and Marianne

### 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Sunday 9 May 2021)

9:45 am	<b>St. Edmunds</b>	People of the Parish
11:30am	<b>OLSS Church</b>	Tommy O'Toole (LD)

**ENROLLED IN PARISH MASS ASSOCIATION:** Tommy O'Toole

### **From Saint Oscar Romero's Homilies:**

- All of us must be messengers of the Lord and of the Spirit, working to transform the society in which we live.
- The Church is you, the People of God, for it is you who assure us pastors that we are proclaiming the true faith that Christ has revealed to us.

(5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter 13 May 1979)