

St Oswald's. Maureen is the president of the Union of Catholic Mothers within our parish community.

**Well done Maureen for all your hard work,
from all in our parish community.**

THE DRAMA DISPLAYED: A JOURNEY OF SALVATION

A free series of online talks offered by the Christian Heritage Centre. A range of excellent speakers will examine the key moments of salvation history, with the aid of great works of art. 7:30pm every second Thursday, from 14th January to 25th March. For info and registration, please visit the 'news' section of our webpage, or visit: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-drama-displayed/>

CAFOD VIRTUAL FUN RUN / WALK

Phil Elliott completed her 5k walk to raise funds for CAFOD on Sunday 27th December. The annual event could not be held at Wavertree Sports Centre due to Coronavirus restrictions, so people were invited to take part, by walking/running the 5k in their local area. To date over £18,500 has been raised. Phil would like to thank everyone who sponsored her. You can still donate on CAFOD's JustGiving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/funrunlikenoother>

The Lord God is my strength and my might,
he has become my salvation.

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

Isaiah 12:2-3

The Parishes of Saint Oswald and Saint Sebastian

Parish Priest: Fr. Liam Collister

Parish Office: Saint Oswald's Presbytery; St. Oswald Street;
Old Swan; Liverpool; L13 5SB

Office hours:

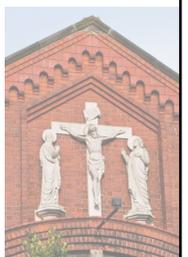
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00am—3:00pm
The office will be closed on Wednesday and Friday
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Webpage: www.sebosw.org

Facebook:

Friends of St. Sebastian's and St. Oswald's



Sunday 10 January 2021: Baptism of the Lord

Sat 9	16:30	Special Intention — StO
Sun 10	09:30	Betty Pearson (RIP) — StO
	11:00	Parishioners — StS
Mon 11	10:00	Susan Lavin (Ann) — Online
Tues 12	10:00	Betty Pearson (RIP) — Online
	13:00	Funeral Service: Betty Pearson — StO
Wed 13		No Mass/service
Thurs 14	10:00	Ella Shirley (Ann) — Online
Fri 15	10:00	Mass Association — Online
Sat 16		No Mass/service
Sun 17	*10:00	Carmel Taylor — Online*

StO — Saint Oswald

StS — Saint Sebastian

Online — on Facebook page and our website

NATIONAL LOCKDOWN PARISH STATEMENT

In light of the latest National Lockdown measures (which has impacted upon our schools, businesses, and personal lives); and with the numbers of COVID-19 deaths and infections growing rapidly, I have consulted with other priests in the local area, the parish team, and with advice and guidance from Archbishop Malcolm; and after discussing all options in keeping our churches, and more importantly, our parishioners safe, the decision has been made to suspend all public Masses within the parishes of Saint Oswald and Saint Sebastian. Our last public Mass will be at 11:00am at Saint Sebastian's on Sunday 10th January.

All our Masses will be moved online; and will be streamed from Monday 11th January 2021 on both Facebook and our webpage. Any funerals already booked in will go ahead as planned, but all future funerals will be held at the crematorium or cemetery.

I know that this decision is disappointing; but I feel that it is a necessary step that we have to make in order to do our bit to help stop the spread of COVID-19. This decision will be reviewed in the future. I hope we will all be able to join together once again as a community within our church buildings when the threat of this virus has lessened.

Our Facebook page and webpage will be updated with any new information as and when it comes in. God bless and stay safe. Fr. Liam and the Parish Team.

INFORMATION FOR THE LOCKDOWN

Masses: Mass will be available online (on this Facebook page and our website) at 10:00am on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Sunday (No streamed Masses on Wednesday or Saturday).

Funeral services: Will take place either in the crematorium or at the graveside.

Office Hours: Monday; Tuesday, and Thursday: 9:00am - 3:00pm
The office will be closed on Wednesday, Friday, and the weekend (phone messages will be checked throughout the day).

Baptism's, Weddings, First Holy Communions: Are only to take place in danger of death or in exceptional circumstances.

Last rites: Please phone the office. If the office is closed, please

leave a message.

Spiritual Communion calls: If you know someone who doesn't have access to the internet, and who would like a Spiritual Communion service over the phone, please let us know by phoning the office.

STATEMENT FROM ARCHBISHOP MALCOLM

Baptisms, Marriages and First Holy Communions should only take place *in extremis* (in danger of death, or exceptional circumstances). If exceptional circumstances warrant the celebration of these sacraments, the number attending is limited to six people. These sacraments should be postponed until further guidance is issued.

PARISH PRAYER LISTS

Lately dead: Elizabeth (Betty) Pearson, Anne Duffy, Bart Cahan
We remember in our prayers all who have died recently, and all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Please pray for: Peter Benson; Joseph Keaveney; Marilyn Brandon; Gary, Alma, & Alf Thomas; Danielle, Tom & Baby Luke; Pdraig Egan; Ann Tyrrell; Mary Murphy; Baby Anthony Bowman and Family; Lily Thomas; Josh Thomas; Wally & Kath; Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, & Religious Life.

If you wish to have a name placed on our prayer list, please contact the office.

PARISH PRAYER LAMPS

The Prayer Lamps on the side altars in both of our churches may be offered for any prayer intention that you wish.

We ask for a donation of £5 per lamp.

SAINT OSWALD'S LAMPS

Marian Lamp — Deceased members of the Richardson Family
Sacred Heart — Tommy Collins (Ann)

SAINT SEBASTIAN'S LAMPS

Marian Lamp — Pauline Patten (RIP)
Sacred Heart — Fr. Patrick Kelly (Ann)

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Maureen Powell, who has been nominated for the British Empire Medal (BEM) in the New Year Honours list. She is receiving this special honour for services to the community within