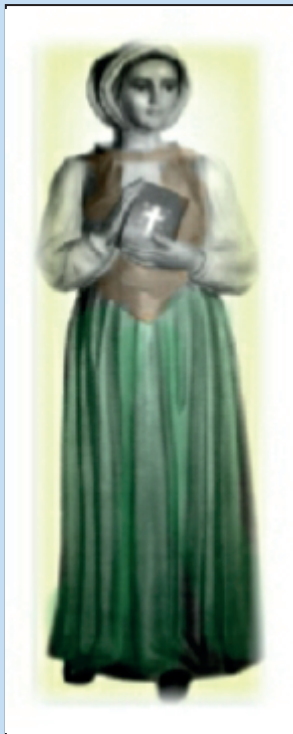


Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

30th July 2023



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PARISH NEWS

Please make use of this address when contacting the Parish Office: stmargaretclitherow@rcaol.org.uk.
A reminder: Please could all items for the newsletter be sent to the office at Holy Family or the above email by Wednesday evening.

Retiring Collections: Weekend of the 30th July - for Ukraine
6th August - for SVP

Last Week's Parish Collections:

Offertory Collection: tbc 2nd Collection: tbc (Ukraine)

How can you help your parish? We are always looking for new volunteers for every aspect of the life of our parish. Please speak to Fr Paul if you want to learn more.

Afternoon Tea Dance: We wish to invite you, Seniors in our parish, to an afternoon 'Get Together' on Saturday 5th August in St Ambrose Barlow Church Hall. We will commence with Mass at 2pm in church, followed by entertainment from our renowned singer Stephen Green. Later we will serve sandwiches and cakes and a glass of wine or two. We can cater for a maximum of 90 persons so we ask that any seniors who wish to attend contact either Steve Cooper 07952 152371 or Bernie McDonald 0161 799 1703 as soon as possible no matter which Mass you attend in the parish. We look forward to your company. If there are any volunteers willing to help on the day please contact us.

Holy Family Tea and Coffee after Mass: The next tea and coffee morning will be on Sunday 6th August after Mass. If you are willing to go on a rota for serving tea and coffee after Sunday Mass at Holy Family please let Liz know in the office.

Food Bank: There is an urgent need for food at the local foodbank. Please donate if you are able. Items can be left in the church porches.

SVP: The weekly meeting of the older men in the parish for lunch and a chat will be at the Applewood Farm (Note new location) at 1pm on Wednesdays.

Book Repair: Are there beloved books on your shelf that have seen better days? Contact bookbinder Mark Chatwood - mark.chatwood@gmail.com 07493 292 039 (Mark recently repaired a parish prayer book to an excellent condition).

The holy Gospel according to Matthew - extract from this week's reading

Jesus said to the crowds: "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it."

LOCAL PARISHES

Parish of St. Margaret Clitherow

St. Ambrose Barlow

Astley

St. Gabriel's

Higher Folds

Holy Family

Boothstown

Parish of St. John Rigby

Sacred Heart

Hindley Green

Sacred Heart

Hindsford

St. Richard's

Atherton

Parish of St. Edmund

Arrowsmith

Our Lady of the Rosary

Sacred Heart

St. Joseph's

Twelve Apostles

Leigh

Parish of St. Catherine of Siena

and All Saints

Golborne

Parish of St. Lewis

Croft

Archdiocesan Mission Statement



Taking to heart the last words of the Lord Jesus, we will go into the world to proclaim the Good News to the whole of creation.

Please pray for those who are Sick



All Cancer Patients
 Anelyse Lewis
 Anne Broad
 Anthony Mullen
 Baby George
 Baby Grace
 Baby lyla Faith
 Brendan Faulkener
 Carol Yates
 Catherine Jones
 Christopher Browne
 Clifford Browne
 Dorothy Kelly
 Elizabeth Levien
 Emma Oldham
 Fr Phil Gregory
 Freda Peake
 Guy Ryan
 Hannah Delargy
 Harry Mullen
 Hilary Cooper
 Irene McIntyre
 Jack Rothwell
 Jack Travis
 Jennifer Langin
 Jessie Lucas
 Joan Wilkinson
 John M
 John Mellin
 John Morley
 John Wall
 Louisa Duffy
 Lourdes Barnes
 Margaret Wall
 Mary Griffin
 Mary Tiernan
 Maureen Halliday
 Maureen Kelly
 Michael Rafferty
 Michael Wright
 Ned Geoghegan
 Pat Mellin
 Sandra Jones
 Sean Fleming
 Shelagh Welsby
 Stephen Garrett
 Stephen Howell
 Teresa Yates
 Theresa Stanley

PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Week Beginning 30th July	Holy Family	St Ambrose Barlow
Psalter: Week 1 Readings: Sunday - 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A) Weekdays - Ordinary Time Week 17		
SUNDAY 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)	9.30am Phil Costello <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>	(Sat) 6.00pm Parishioners <i>(Not livestreamed)</i> 11.00am Victor Batrak <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>
MONDAY St Ignatius Loyola		
TUESDAY St Alphonsus Ligouri		9.15am Tom Reagan
WEDNESDAY	7.00pm Ellen & Rex Baxter	
THURSDAY	10.00am Agnes & Harold Bostock and Harold Junior	
FRIDAY St John Vianney	10.00am Christine Nolan <i>Mass in church during school holiday</i>	
SATURDAY	10.00am Joan Clegg 10.30-11am Adoration & Confessions	6.00pm Cpl K Pendlebury & Parishioners <i>(Not livestreamed)</i>
NEXT SUNDAY Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord (A)	9.30am Michaela Marie Costello <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>	11.00am Sharon Coolican <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>

All Masses are usually livestreamed except for the Saturday night Mass and the Friday morning Mass.

LATELY DEAD
 Please pray for those who have died recently.

Joseph Barry

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,
 and let perpetual light shine upon them.
 May they rest in peace.
 Amen.*

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY
 Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord (A)

First Reading – Daniel 7:9-10,13-14
 His robe was white as snow.

Second Reading – 2 Peter 1:16-19
 We heard this ourselves, spoken from heaven.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 17:1-9
 His face shone like the sun.

The Transfiguration of the Lord

When the Lord is transfigured before Peter, James and John, they hear the voice of God the Father say: "This is my beloved son! listen to him!"
 ...The first duty of the Christian is to listen to the Word of God, to listen to Jesus, because he speaks to us and he saves us by his word. And by this word he makes our faith even stronger and more robust.

(Pope Francis)

To make an offering to the parish by text message

Text **CLITHEROW** 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 **CLITHEROWNOINFO** to 70085.

Text **CLITHEROW** (or **CLITHEROWNOINFO**) to **70450** to donate **£3**.

Text **CLITHEROW** (or **CLITHEROWNOINFO**) to **70460** to donate **£5**.

Text **CLITHEROW** (or **CLITHEROWNOINFO**) to **70470** to donate **£10**.