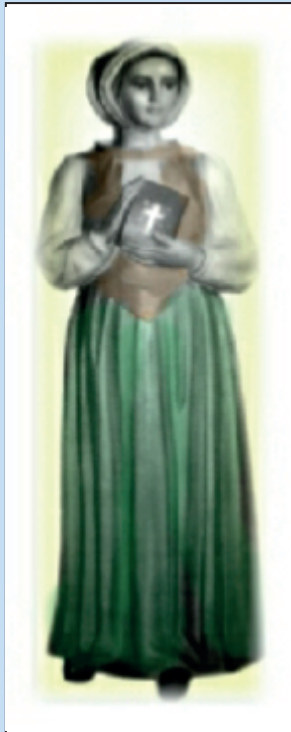


Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

Baptism of the Lord (A)

8th January 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 8th January – for Ukraine
15th January – for Ukraine

Last Week's Parish Collections (not including online donations):

Offertory Collection	£654.75
2nd Collection	£264.99 (SVP)

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, who served as Supreme Pontiff from April 2005 to February 2013, has died aged 95, the Vatican has confirmed. A short statement from Matteo Bruni, Director of the Holy See's Press Office, said: "With sorrow I inform you that the Pope Emeritus, Benedict XVI, passed away today (31st December) at 9:34am in the Mater Ecclesiae Monastery in the Vatican." Cardinal Vincent Nichols, President of the Bishops' Conference, said: "I am deeply saddened to learn of the death of Pope Benedict. He will be remembered as one of the great theologians of the 20th century. "I remember with particular affection the remarkable Papal Visit to these lands in 2010. We saw his courtesy, his gentleness, the perceptiveness of his mind and the openness of his welcome to everybody that he met." "He was through and through a gentleman, through and through a scholar, through and through a pastor, through and through a man of God – close to the Lord and always his humble servant." "Pope Benedict is very much in my heart and in my prayers. I give thanks to God for his ministry and leadership." The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales will celebrate Requiem Masses for the repose of the soul of the late Pope Emeritus in their cathedrals. Prayer cards will be distributed to Catholic parishes throughout the two countries. (Taken from the Bishops' Conference Website)



Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI's funeral took place in the Vatican on Thursday, 5th January.

The Archdiocese has now become a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. Our Charity name is 'Archdiocese of Liverpool' and the new charity number is 1199714.

Car Park at Holy Family: This is now open. Please park in the designated bays and not on Archer Street so as to not block the entrance and exit road. Due to delays from the utilities company the hall will not be ready for a month. Thanks for your patience during the disruption.

Warm Places: Tea and coffee will be available for the first Warm Places on 10th January at St Ambrose after the 9.15am Mass for an hour or two. All welcome.

Food Bank: The food bank is under extreme pressure to meet the increasing needs of families. Please be generous if you are able.

SVP: The weekly meeting of the older men in the parish for lunch and a chat at the Bull's Head at 1pm on Wednesdays will resume again on Wednesday 11th January.

Red Mission Box Collection: The latest collection from APF Mill Hill mission boxes in Holy Family amounted to £492.52. Sincere thanks to everyone for your outstanding generosity, especially in these difficult times. The efforts of all contributors are much appreciated.



Children's Liturgy at St Ambrose: will be up and running from 8th January. It will be once a month thereafter with a planned celebration on the first Sunday of every month.

Burns Night 2023: After an absence of Two Years we are pleased to invite you to a popular event. On Friday 20th January at St Ambrose Barlow Church Hall at 7.45pm. Including "HAGGIS" supper and a "wee" dram or soft drink – £8.50. As this is a popular night please contact Des 07973 114365 for reservations.

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 Iyla Faith
 Baby Luke
 Brendan Faulkener
 Brendan Fleming
 Carol Yates
 Catherine Jones
 Christopher Browne
 Clifford Browne
 Dorothy Kelly
 Elizabeth Levien
 Emma Oldham
 Frank Burke
 Fr Phil Gregory
 Freda Peake
 Guy Ryan
 Hannah Delargy
 Harry Mullen
 Irene McIntyre
 Jack Rothwell
 Jack Travis
 Jennifer Langin
 Jessie Lucas
 Joan Wilkinson
 John Wall
 Louisa Duffy
 Lourdes Barnes
 Margaret Wall
 Mary Griffin
 Mary Tiernan
 Maureen Halliday
 Maureen Kelly
 Michael Rafferty
 Michael Wright
 Neville Thomas
 Sandra Jones
 Sean Fleming
 Shelagh Welsby
 Stephen Garrett
 Stephen Howell
 Teresa Yates
 Theresa Stanley
 + additions this week
 Pat Mellin
 John Mellin
 Ned Geoghegan

PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Week Beginning 8th January	Holy Family	St Ambrose Barlow
Psalter: Week 1 Readings: Sunday - Baptism of the Lord (A) Weekdays - Ordinary Time Week 1		
SUNDAY Baptism of the Lord (A)	9.30am Dave Garnett <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>	(Sat) 6.00pm Parishioners <i>(Not livestreamed)</i> 11.00am Antony Picking, Mykola, Kateryna & Viktor Batrak <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>
MONDAY		
TUESDAY	11.00am Funeral Service for Kathleen Podmore	9.15am Michelle Conroy
WEDNESDAY	7.00pm Amy Leggett Brough	
THURSDAY	10.00am Andy Berry	
FRIDAY	10.00am Ellen Baxter <i>Mass in St Gabriel's School – Parishioners welcome</i>	
SATURDAY St Kentigern, <i>Secondary Patron of the Archdiocese</i>	10.00am Rex Baxter 10.30-11.00am Adoration & Confessions	6.00pm Clare Barlow & Parishioners <i>(Not livestreamed)</i>
NEXT SUNDAY 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time (A) <i>Peace Sunday</i>	9.30am Ann Brennan <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>	11.00am Bernard Griffin & Family <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>

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

CAFOD are looking for people to help in our parish or visit local schools. Or why not campaign for justice, or give a prepared short talk for CAFOD in a nearby parish at Fast Day. Could you support share your office skills from home to help CAFOD keep costs low? Training and support provided, as is the chance to make a difference. Contact Ged gedwards@cafod.org.uk or cafod.org.uk/Volunteer for more information.



LATELY DEAD

Please pray for those who have died recently.

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
Margaret Dootson
Kathleen Podmore
Patricia Boden

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

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

First Reading – Isaiah 49:3.5-6

I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

Gospel Reading – John 1:29-34

Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world.

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**.

Online giving website The Archdiocesan online giving website can receive both one-off and regular donations. Each parish has its own unique link on the website and all donations will go to the parish selected. There is a detailed guide on how to donate on the website. The link to the page for St Margaret Clitherow parish is: <https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-margaret-clitherow-boothstown>