

Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

3rd Sunday of Easter

19th April 2026



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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.

Last Week's Parish Collections: Offertory Collection : **£643.11** SVP **£194.00**
Second Collections: Today : **Food Bank** Next Week : **Priest's Training Fund**

First Holy Communion - As we celebrate the Easter season 2026, we pray for and congratulate all our children from Holy Family, St Ambrose and St Gabriel's Catholic primary schools and those from non Catholic schools who have been preparing for their First Holy Communion. The dates for Holy Communion Masses are 25th April, 2nd May, 9th May and 16th May 2026. May God grant our children the grace to love and grow in His wisdom Amen.



Marriage This is a marriage announcement between Shawn Maseko and Jill Bernadine Dacanay who are parishioners of ours. The marriage is scheduled to take place on the 2nd of May 2026 at Immaculate Conception Parish, Archdiocese of Davao in the Philippines. Please keep them in your prayers.

Marriage : This is an announcement of marriage between Mark Chartwood and Lola Abs Osta. The marriage is scheduled to take place at Holy Family Church Boothstown on the 23rd of May 2026. Please keep them in your prayers.



Parish Development Strategy : It has been announced about the beginning of the Parish Development Strategy in our Deanery. This means that we will be taking a close look at all the parish communities in the deanery. In our parish I have asked a number of parishioners to help in the early stages by joining a 'Steering Group'. Over the coming months we will prepare some ideas for the future. Changes are inevitable over the next couple of years, so let's pray that the Holy Spirit will give us all some guidance.

For your Diary - Family Quiz night in Holy Family Hall at 7:30pm on Friday 24th April. £5 per family. Bring your own refreshments/snacks. The quiz will cover all age groups so the children will be involved. All funds raised will be going towards helping some of our youth to go to Lourdes in the future. Please give us your support



Guides Spring Fayre - The guides are having a spring Fayre today after the St Ambrose Barlow 11am mass. Bacon and sausage butties, a variety of hot and cold drinks and stalls. Tombola, cakes, books and of course a raffle. Hope to see you all there. Delia, all the leaders and guides.



Holy Family Tea & Toast will next be held on Sunday 26th April after the 9.30am Mass. All Welcome

Gift Aid - Can all envelope givers kindly pick up their envelopes for the new year. If any one who is a tax payers and wants to join the Gift Aid Scheme please see Bernie or Des. **Sick List** If there are any names that you wish to be added to the new list please contact Liz in the office. **Food Bank** As many families are struggling in our midst please give generously if you are able. Food donated at church is taken to support our local food bank.

SVP The weekly meeting of the older men in the parish for lunch and a chat at the Boundary Stone at 12:30pm on Wednesdays **St Vincent de Paul** - The SVP may be able to assist you or someone you know who needs help. We could help by providing people in our parish with supermarket food vouchers, essential furniture and home items and energy top ups where these are needed. If you are lonely we could visit you at home.

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.

PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Please pray for those who are Sick

All Cancer Patients
 Archbishop Kelly
 Carol Yates
 Chloe Lally
 Brian Smith
 Chris Higgins
 Deborah Kane
 Eilish Glennon
 Frank Colgan
 Francis Lohan
 Guy Ryan
 Hannah Delargy
 Jack Travis
 John Wall
 John Walsh
 Joseph Gray
 Kevin Lawman
 Lynne Lewis
 Louisa Duffy
 Martin Cosgrove
 Matthew Nduembe
 Margaret Wall
 Michael Ruddy
 Reagan Lally Hilton
 Sean Flemming
 Stephen Gerrman
 Tony Kenny
 Teresa Yates
 Yvonne Glynn
 Young Dougie Ward
 Ward Family

All praise and glory is yours, Lord our God, for you have called us to serve you in love.

Bless the sick of our parish so that they may bear this illness in union with your Son's obedient suffering. Restore them to health, and lead them to glory.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Deaths

John Walsh

*Eternal rest grant unto them,
 O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
 May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



Week Beginning 19 th April 2026	Holy Family	St Ambrose Barlow
Psalter: Week 3 Readings- Sunday - 3 rd Sunday of Easter (A) Weekdays - 3 rd week of Eastertide		
Sunday 19th April 3rd Sunday of Easter	9:30am John Walsh	6.00pm Deceased members of the McGrath & Beresford Families 11.00am Veronica Hall
Monday 20th April		
Tuesday 21st April 3rd Sunday of Easter		9:30am St Ambrose Barlow School Easter Mass Jean Hollingworth
Wednesday 22nd April	7.00pm Veronica Marsden	
Thursday 23rd April St George	10:00am Holy Family School Easter Mass Teresa Unsworth	
Friday 24th April St Adalbert	10.00am St Gabriel's Easter Mass at Holy Family Church Joyce Nuttall 12 Noon Requiem Mass for John Walsh	1
Saturday 25th April	10.00am Special Intention MDM 10.30am Adoration & Confessions	6.00pm People of the Parish
Next Sunday 26th April 4th Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations	9:30am John Walsh	11.00am Veronica Hall



St Michael Archangel Prayer

"Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen"



Readings for next Sunday

First Reading - Acts 2:14a,36-41

'But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them'

Second Reading - 1 Peter 2:20b-25

'If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval'

Gospel Reading - John 10:1-10

'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit'



BAPTISMS

Isabel Hughes - Owen Hughes



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