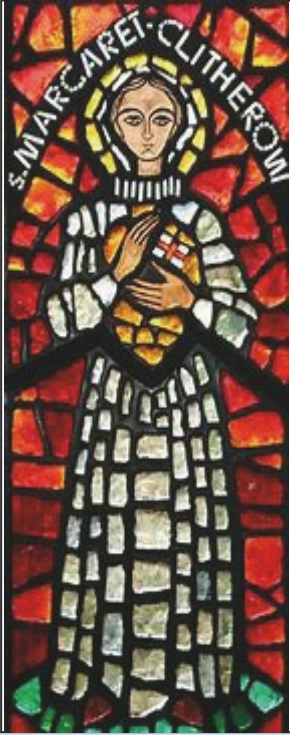


Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

24th August 2025



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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: **24th August** : August Food Bank
31st August : August Ukraine

Last Week's Parish Collections: Food Bank: **£620.11**
2nd Collection: **£128.57**

Second Collections: Today : Food Bank Next Week : Ukraine

St Ambrose Children's Liturgy: There will be no children's liturgy group at the 11am Sunday mass at St Ambrose over the school summer holidays. Children's liturgy will resume on Sunday 7th Sep.

Sacrament of Confirmation : We are hoping to organise the preparation and reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation in conjunction with our family of parish members and St Mary's high school. If you have or know a young person who is interested in receiving this sacrament this year, from year 8 upwards, please have them register with us by writing their name and contact details on the sheet provided.

Ladies Meeting : Please note there will be no ladies meeting this month. The date of the next ladies meeting is to be announced. Thank you

Holy Family , Tea and Coffee after Mass: Tea and Coffee will be next Sunday 31st August , after the 9:30am Mass, Please come along, All Welcome

Priests in our Archdiocese : A recent statistic shows that we have 114 active diocesan priests in our parishes and pastoral work. 12 priests currently are over 75 and within the next couple of years will no longer be able to continue their ministry. In the next 5 years a further 22 priests will be in their late 70's, and should have already retired. So in the not too distant future we will only have 80 active diocesan priests. Our thanks go to those missionary priests from other parts of the world who are currently serving our parishes.

Appreciation : The parish has recently received a legacy gift from the estate of the Late Miss Kathleen Connelly to the tune of 10,000 pounds. This said fund has since been paid into the parish account. We use the avenue to appreciate the gift and to pray for the peaceful repose of Kathleen. Seven masses shall be offered by the parish for her peaceful repose. May God grant eternal rest to Kathleen and all the faithful departed. Amen.

Mission Appeal: In October, we shall have a visit from two different missionary orders to speak to us about their work and to solicit our continued spiritual and financial support. The first will be the Spiritans on the 18/19th and then Missio (Red Box Appeal) on the 25/26th. More details will be communicated nearer the dates.

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
Archbishop Kelly
Carol Yates
Brian Smith
Deborah Kane
Frank Colgan
Guy Ryan
Hannah Delargy
Jack Travis
John Wall
John Walsh
Joseph Gray
Lynne Lewis
Louisa Duffy
Matthew Ndumbe
Margaret Wall
Michael Ruddy
Teresa Yates
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.

PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

WEEK BEGINNING 24 th August 2025	Holy Family	St Ambrose Barlow
Psalter: Week 1 Readings- Sunday 24 th Sunday of Ordinary Time / Weekdays Week 24 in Ordinary Time		
Sunday 24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:30am Martha Meanwell, Ellen Webb Ron Sparrow & Margaret	6.00pm - Helen Gleeson 11.00am - Joan & Jack Rigby & Florence & Jack Wilson
Monday 25th August St Edmund Arrowsmith		
Tuesday 26st August Blessed Dominic Barberi of the Mother of God		9:15am Parishioners
Wednesday 27th August St Monica	7:00pm Marie & Phil Tomkins	
Thursday 28th August St Augustine	10:00am Alice & Frank Giron-Conland	
Friday 29th August The Passion of John the Baptist	No Mass Today	
Saturday 30th August St Margaret Clitherow	10:00am Peg Gilroy 10:30-11:00am Adoration & Confessions	6:00pm Deceased Members of the Kane Family
Next Sunday 31st August	9.30am Michelle Callan	11.00am Stephen Oldham & Veronica Hall

Deaths :

Please pray for the recently dead
Theresa Flanagan
"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,

Baptisms :

Tadhg Horsefield and Cornor Horsefield

**Congratulations to all our teenagers within
the Parish on receiving your A-level, BTEC
and GCSE results. WELL DONE**

SVP Clothing Collection : The SVP Summer collection for
Barnabus homeless charity will continue at all masses from
2nd August for three weeks. Please donate new or preloved
men's and women's clothes, including new socks and
underwear and any sleeping bags".

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. For more information contact our dedicated SVP
number 07566725590

Readings for Next Sunday 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading - [Sirach 3:17-18,20,28-29](#)

Humble yourself so you will find favour in the
sight of the Lord

Second Reading - [Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24a](#)

You have come to Mount Sion and to the city of
the living God

Gospel Reading - [Luke 14:1,7-14](#)

Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled ,
and he who humbles himself will be exalted.

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**.