

Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

28th September 2025



St Margaret Clitherow

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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 : £529.37 2nd Collection : £231.11
Second Collections: Today : **Food Bank** Next Week : **CAFOD**

Holy Family Baby & Toddler Group Parents, Grandparents and Carers you are invited to join our friendly and welcoming baby and toddler group, we meet at Holy Family Community Hall on Wednesday mornings (term time only) 8.45am - 11.00am. There is a variety of toys, sing alongs, arts and crafts and has a secure outside play area. A suggested donation of £3 per session (£1 extra each child) includes a cuppa for adults and juice and snack for little ones. For more information please ring the office at Holy Family 0161 790 2390.

Alzheimer's Society Memory Walk Anna Davidson will be taking part in this year's walk on Saturday 4th October in Heaton Park. If you would like to sponsor Anna please go to www.justgiving.com/fundraising/annadavidson2025. Alternatively there is a sponsorship format the back of Holy Family Church.

CAFOD Family Fast Day Friday October 3rd is a day when we are asked to "Live more simply so that others may simply live". We can do this by going without some luxury and donating the money saved to CAFOD to support its work helping our brothers and sisters overseas. Envelopes for you to place your donations will be given out at the back of church at all Masses next weekend, 27th and 28th September.

Rome Jubilee Pilgrimage: Northern Star Travels, in conjunction with a local parish in the Wigan and Leigh deanery, have put together an interesting itinerary for a pilgrimage to Rome for the Jubilee year. The pilgrimage takes place from the 17th of November to 21st November. The cost is £835 sharing and £960 single. Have a look at the flyer in the back of church for more details or speak to Fr Francis

Sacrament of Confirmation: We have had a few responses to the announcement of regarding the sacrament of Confirmation. We are moving forward with the plans. 4th December has been chosen as a date for Confirmation which will involve our parish, Leigh and Atherton. We shall subsequently communicate plans of preparations to those involved.

Ladies Group our next Tea and Chat will be Thursday the 4th October, 12 o'clock St. Ambrose hall.

First Holy Communion : We will shortly be starting the First Holy Communion sacramental programme. Application forms can be found at the back of both churches for children in Year 4 and above who don't attend one of our three primary schools

Father Francis Holiday : Father Francis will be on Holiday after the first Sunday in October (5th) until the first Sunday in November. During this period, a few priests will look after the weekend masses. Details of these priests will be communicated subsequently.

Delve into the Bible – Workshop – Wednesday 8 October. All are invited to a Bible workshop led by Dr Dorothy Jonaitis (Institute of Pastoral Studies, Loyola University Chicago) on Wednesday 8 October 2025, 6.30–9.00pm at the St Margaret Clitherow Centre, Liverpool (L17 1AA). The evening will explore: The reality of biblical authorship and audiences· How timeframe and geography affect scripture writing· The books of the Bible and translations· How to use the right tools to maximise your study. Refreshments available from 6.00pm. Scan the QR code on the poster to sign up. For enquiries, email: Moses Mui at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk.

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
Chris Higgins
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
Sean Flemming
Tony Kenny
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 28 th September 2025	Holy Family	St Ambrose Barlow
Psalter: Week 2 Readings- Sunday 26 th Sunday of Ordinary Time / Weekdays Week 26 in Ordinary Time		
Sunday 28 th September Day of prayer for the harvest, fruits of human work, reverent use of creation	9:30am Teresa Jeffries	6.00pm - Hilda Almond 11.00am - Long & Talbot Families
Monday 29 th September Feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael		
Tuesday 30 th September St Jerome		9:15am Winifred McEntee
Wednesday 1 st October St Therese of the Child Jesus (of Lisieux)	7:00pm David O'Keefe	
Thursday 2 nd October The Holy Guardian Angels	10:00am Philip Pendlebury	
Friday 3 rd October Harvest Fast Day for Cafod: prayer for justice and peace in the world	10.00am Mass in St Gabriel's School	
Saturday 4 th October St Francis of Assisi	10.00am Peter Topping 10.30-11.00am Adoration & Confessions	6:00pm Deceased members of McGrath & Beresford Families
Next Sunday 5 th October Next Sunday 27 th Sunday IOT prayer for justice and peace in the world (CAFOD)	9.30am Seth Armstrong & Michael Flaherty	11.00am Sylvia Leigh

Baptisms :
Sunny Emilea Grime

Deaths :
Linda Hilton

Prayer of St Francis of Assisi "Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace; Where there is hatred, let me sow love; Where there is injury, pardon; Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; And where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, Grant that I may not so much seek To be consoled as to console; To be understood, as to understand; To be loved, as to love; For it is in giving that we receive, It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, And it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life. Amen."

Holy Family , Tea and Coffee after Mass: Tea and Coffee is today 28th September , after the 9:30am Mass, Please come along, All Welcome.

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

First Reading - Habakkuk 6:1;2-4
The righteous shall live by his faith.

Second Reading - 2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14
Do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord.

Gospel Reading - Luke 17:5-10
If you had faith.

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.

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

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