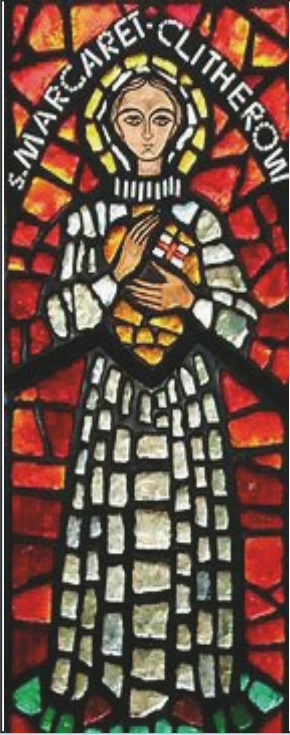


Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

5th October 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.

Last Week's Parish Collections: Offertory Collection : £650.45 2nd Collection : £204.63
Second Collections: Today : **CAFOD** Next Week : **SVP**

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.

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 speak to Fr John on 01942 727271

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.

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.

Guides bacon booty fundraiser - St Ambrose Barlow guides are holding bacon and sausage fundraiser on Sunday, 19th October after the 11am mass. Butties are £2, tea and coffee 50p, all funds raised go to our Christmas trip to Waddow Hall. There will also be a raffle and cake stall. Please come along and support this event. Thank you, Delia and all the leaders and guides.

Inter-Faith Prayer Service for Peace in the Holy Land at 11am on October 7th on the steps of the Metropolitan Cathedral in Liverpool. Aimed to last around 45 min and to include input from Jewish, Muslim, and Christian (Anglican and Catholic).

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 5 th October 2025	Holy Family	St Ambrose Barlow
Psalter: Week 3 Readings- Sunday 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time / Weekdays Week 27 in Ordinary Time		
Sunday 5th October Day of prayer for justice and peace in the world(Cafod)	9:30am Seth Armstrong & Michael Flaherty & Christopher Tickle	6.00pm - Deceased members of the McGrath & Beresford Families 11.00am - Sylvia Leigh
Monday 29th September		
Tuesday 30th September Our Lady of the Rosary		9:15am Eucharistic Service
Wednesday 1st October	7:00pm Eucharistic Service	
Thursday 2nd October Feast of St John Henry Newman	No Mass today	
Friday 3rd October	No Mass today	
Saturday 4th October	No Mass today	6:00pm For the souls of John & Mary Mullen
Next Sunday 5th October 28th Sunday in OrdinaryTime	9.30am Christine Mckeever & Caroline & George Smallshaw	11.00am Christopher & Ann Smith

"A Decade of Laudato Si': Lessons, Impact and the Road Ahead for the Christian Community"

14 October To mark the tenth anniversary of Laudato Si', CBCEW will host an interdenominational event, 'A Decade of Laudato Si': Lessons, Impact and the Road Ahead'. The event will be held on 14 October (6-8.30pm) at Methodist Central Hall, Manchester. Speakers will include Bishop John Arnold, Rev. Grace Thomas (Church of England) and Rev. Ian Rutherford (Methodist Church). The event will be opened by special guest Andy Burnham, Mayor of Manchester. The gathering will celebrate the power of faith in action and explore how collaboration can both sustain and amplify that impact, while also addressing the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead. The event is free but tickets must be booked via CBCEW's Eventbrite page:

Tyldesley and Astley Churches together: Invites you to join for a new evening of prayer. It will hold on Friday 10th October from 7 to 7.30pm. The venue is Astley Christian Fellowship Center, 530 Manchester Road.

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 - 2 Kings 5:14-17

No one returned to the man of God and confessed his faith in the Lord

Second Reading - 2 Timothy 2:8-13

If we endure, we will also reign with Christ

Gospel Reading - Luke 17:11-19

No one was found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner

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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