

Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

7th September 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 : £781.86 2nd Collection : £165.00
Second Collections: Today : SVP Next Week : Catholic Education Services

St Ambrose Children's Liturgy: Children's liturgy will resume today Sunday 7th September

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.

Holy Family Parish, Gaza: latest news from this parish which is one of the four in Israel and Palestine to which we have sent cards / supported since 2019. >> The Pope has attacked plans to evacuate Gaza City as priests and nuns caring for the sick refused to leave the war zone. A statement from the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem and his Greek Orthodox counterpart said that frail Palestinians would not survive such a move: fleeing to the south would be nothing less than a death sentence. Fr Gabriel Romanelli, parish priest of Holy Family Church, said they were caring for 450 people. "With great simplicity and humility we will continue," he told the Vatican's news service. "We are in the hands of God". About 1000 Christians are believed to be in Gaza.

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 the www.justgiving.com/fundraising/annadavidson2025. Alternatively there is a sponsorship format the back of Holy Family Church

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.

Message from the Bishop : Ahead of the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill having its second reading in the House of Lords on Friday 12 September, Archbishop John Sherrington is calling for Catholics to unite in prayer and compassionate action. Catholics can write to a Peer ahead of the reading to make their opposition known. More details about how to contact, how to address them and suggested points to include in your letter can be found in the news section of the Archdiocese of Liverpool website (<https://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/news/how-to-make-your-voice-heard-in-opposing-the-assisted-suicide-bill>)

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
Linda Hilton
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

PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

WEEK BEGINNING 7 th September 2025	Holy Family	St Ambrose Barlow
Psalter: Week 3 Readings- Sunday 23 rd Sunday of Ordinary Time / Weekdays Week 23 in Ordinary Time		
Sunday 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:30am Margaret Dixon	6.00pm Veronica Hall 11.00am - Ann & Christopher Smith
Monday 8th September Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary		
Tuesday 9th September		9:15am John Costello St Ambrose School Welcome Mass
Wednesday 10th September	7:00pm Thomas Lewis	
Thursday 11th September	10:00am George & Kit Paterson Holy Family School Welcome Mass	
Friday 12th Sepetember	10.00am Mass in St Gabriel's School Robert Jones	
Saturday 13th September	10.00am Ronnie & Graham Greensmith 10.30-11.00am Adoration & Confessions	6:00pm Agnes & Harold Bostock & Harold Jnr
Next Sunday 14th September	9.30am Terry Allen	11.00am Joseph & Joan Rigby & Jack & Florence Wilson

Baptisms :

Rosie-Lee Johnson
Poppy Grace Hope Stridgeon
Harriett Victoria Arnison
Thomas John Plaister
Ada Grace Plaister

CANONIZATION OF BLESSED Carlo Acutis and Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati:

This Sunday, 7th September; the Holy Father Pope Leo XIV will officiate the Mass of canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati. We join all the faithful people gathered in Rome in prayers that the world may experience a transformation through the intercession of the saints on high.

Holy Family , Tea and Coffee after Mass: Next Tea and Coffee is 14th 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 Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

First Reading - Numbers 21:4b-9

If anyone were bitten by a serpent, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

Second Reading - Philippians 2:6-11

He humbled himself, therefore God has highly exalted him.

Gospel Reading - John 3:13-17

The Son of Man must be lifted up.

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**.