Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

9th November 2025



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.

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: £847.33 SVP: £218.94
Second Collection Today: Royal British Legion Next Week: Food Bank

Sacrament of Confirmation: Dates have now been arranged for the preparation meetings for the Sacrament of Confirmation for all who have registered, meetings will be held at St Ambrose church Thursday 13th November 6pm-7pm / Thursday 20th November 6pm -7pm / Thursday 27th November 6pm -7pm

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.

Eucharistic Ministers Eucharistic Ministers training has been organised for **Saturday 29th November** after the 10.00am mass. This training is for old and new ministers and will be approximately 4 hours. If you cannot attend please contact either Liz in the office at Holy Family 0161 790 2390 or Dave Callan on 07970 474866

Remembrance Sunday at Astley War Memorial (at the Bullcroft, Astley Straits). The service will commence at 12.30 on Sunday 9th November. In addition to the customary exhortations, it will include a Gospel reading, bidding prayers and hymns. We have purchased a wreath from the British Legion and it will be laid on behalf of all members of our church communities by one of our parishioners.

White Poppy The wearing of a white poppy is a way of remembering all people, soldiers and civilians, who have died in war and conflict around the world. It is a flower used as a symbol of peace and can be worn to complement, or as an alternative to, the red poppy for Remembrance Day. White poppies are available at the back of church. Please take one.

Forthcoming Events for your Diary

Wed 26th November - Parish Forum venue tbc. The main agenda item will be adult religious formation and discussions will be about the sorts of things that parishioners would be interested in. Fr Francis is open to people's suggestions and ideas.

Sat 6th December 7.30pm - St Ambrose Barlow Hall - Cabaret Night with Steven Green - £10 pp includes Cottage Pie Supper - 18 Years +

Fri 12th December 7pm Carol Singing Evening -St Ambrose Barlow Hall £10 pp includes Pasties and a FREE Raffle - Lots of prizes to be won - Sponsored by the Catenians

Wed 17th December 1pm Parish Christmas Luncheon at the Old Boat House SEE SEPARATE FLYER FOR ALL OUR SOCIAL EVENTS

Children due to start school in September 2026 -School Open Week Tours

Holy Family Catholic Primary School would like to invite you to one of our open events Tuesday 11th November 5.30pm / Thursday 13th November 9.30am To book your place please call the school office on 0161 790 2123 or email enquiries@admin.boothstownholyfamily.wigan,sch.uk

Saint Ambrose Barlow Catholic Primary School are hosting a week of tours for perspective parents - Monday 10th to Friday 14th November. To book your tour please call the school office on 01942 883912 or email enquires@admin.saintambrosebarlow.wigan.sch.uk

Please pray for those who are Sick



All Cancer Patients Archbishop Kelly Carol Yates Brian Smith Chris Higgins Deborah Kane Frank Colgan **Francis Lohan 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 Dempsey 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.

PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

WEEK BEGInning
9th November 2025
Holy Family
St Ambrose Barlow

Psalter: Week 4

Readings- Sunday 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time / Weekdays Week 32 in Ordinary Time

Sunday 9 th November Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	9:30am Pun Chan & Malachy McAleer	6.00pm - Parishioners 11.00am - Marjorie Price
Monday 10 th November St Leo the Great		
Tuesday 11 th November St Martin of Tours		9:15am Joyce Nuttall
Wednesday 12 th November St Josaphat	7:00pm Keith Morgan	
Thursday 13 th November	10:00am Teresa Unsworth	
Friday 14 th November	10:00am John & Linda Scofield	
Saturday 15 th November	10:00am Tommy Cunningham 10:30-11:00am Adoration & Confessions	6:00pm Teresa McColl
Next Sunday 16 th November 33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (c) World Day of the Poor	9.30am Christopher Tickle	11.00am Peter & Tony Bousfield

Holy Family , Tea and Coffee after Mass:

Next Tea and Coffee is Today Sunday 9th November , after the 9:30am Mass, Please come along, All Welcome



RECENTLY DEAD:

We remember in our prayers: Teresa Dempsey Bernard Barrow

Alzheimer's Memory Walk 2025 Anna Davidson would like to thank everyone, who signed the sponsorship form or donated via:www.justgiving.com/fundraising /annadavidson2025. Total amount raised £951.00 (sponsor form £535.00 online £416.00)

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 for each additional 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.

Retiring Collections: Weekend of the:

2nd November- SVP

9th November Royal British Legion

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. Can you help S.V.P. to provide for those living on the streets by donating warm winter clothing, eg. socks, hats, gloves, jumpers etc. Donations will be passed on to the charity Barnabus. Thank you for your help.

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 07566 725590

Readings for Next Sunday

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran

Basilica

First Reading - Malachi 4:1-2a

For you the sun of righteousness shall rise

Second Reading - 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12
If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat

Gospel Reading - Luke 21:5-19

By your endurance you will gain your lives

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.