

Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

23rd August 2026



St Margaret Clitherow

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PARISH NEWS

A reminder: Please could all items for the newsletter be sent to the office at Holy Family or the following email stmargaretclitherow@rcaol.org.uk by Wednesday evening.

Last Week's Parish Collections: Offertory Collection : **£603.0** Cafod Venezuela: **£208.72**
Second Collections: Today : **Food Bank** Next Week : **August Ukraine**

Sleeping Bag Appeal - with your help the parish SVP helps Barnabus , a charity that helps homeless people. We are asking for your help again in buying sleeping bags. Winter is around the corner and people will be in need. Whether they are new or unused Barnabus will give them out to our homeless community. Decathlon sells sleeping bags for around £10. If they are unused could you ensure they are rolled up to aid pick up and delivery. Thank you for your help and assistance.

The Trippers - Next Trips, Tue, 1st Sep to Nantwich Market Town Mon, 16th Nov to Oswald Twistle Mill 9:30-10am returning tea time. If you would like book seats and pay for them see Chris Bousfield after St Ambrose Mass or ring 07414 615398.

Mama And Me is Coming to Boothstown We're delighted to be launching a brand new Mama And Me Mindful Babywearing Dance class at Holy Family Community Hall this September. To celebrate, we're inviting local parents and carers with babies to join us for a free launch session and experience what Mama And Me is all about. No dance experience is needed, Friday 11th September 10.00am - 11.00am Holy Family Community Hall, Boothstown.

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. **During the Summer Holidays** - The SVP could help struggling families with children during the summer holidays by means of food vouchers. Please contact the SVP number in confidence. **Food Bank** - Many thanks to all who contribute to the Food bank appeal but please note because of their perishable nature , bread and butter can not be accepted dry and tinned goods only please. **Gift Aid** - Can all envelopes givers kindly pick up their envelopes for the new year. If anyone who is a tax payer and wants to join the Gift Aid Scheme please see Bernie or Des. **Sick List** - If there are any names that you wish to be added to the new list please contact Liz.

Passing of Miss Helena Leddy - "I am m writing to let you know of the sad passing of my Aunt, Miss Helena Leddy who was a much-loved former parishioner with strong connections to both Holy Family and St Ambrose Barlow. Helena was a member of the parish community for many years and as Head of RE at St Mary's supported many pupils through their catechism journey. Ill health and mobility issues made mass attendance impossible for her in her latter years and visits by the local Bolton lay team were gratefully received. She will be greatly missed by her family, friends and all those who knew her. I wanted to inform the parish of her passing, as I know she had many connections within the parish and would be remembered fondly by fellow parishioners/past pupils. Her funeral will take place on 24th August at 9:30 at St Edmund's, Little Hulton. We would be grateful if you could remember Helena and her family in your prayers at this difficult time."

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
Chloe Lally
Brian Smith
Deborah Kane
Frank Colgan
Francis Lohan
Guy Ryan
Hannah Delargy
Jack Travis
Br John Dawson
John Wall
Joseph Gray
Kate Lombardo
Kevin Lawman
Lynne Lewis
Louisa Duffy
Matthew Ndumbe
Margaret Wall
Maureen O'Brien
Michael Ruddy
Reegan Lally Hilton
Sean Flemming
Stephen Gerrman
Tony Kenny
Teresa Yates
Yvonne Glynn
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.*

Deaths

Helena Leddy

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O
Lord, and let perpetual light shine
upon them. May their souls,
through the mercy of God, rest in
peace. Amen*

PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Week Beginning 23 rd August 2026	Holy Family	St Ambrose Barlow
Psalter: Week 1 Readings- Sunday - 21st Week in ordinary time Weekdays - 21st week in Ordinary Time		
Sunday 23rd August	9:30am Margaret Langin James & Elsie Durkin	6.00pm Joseph O'Kane 11.00am Helen Gleeson
Monday 24th August <i>Feast of St Bartholomew</i>		
Tuesday 25th August <i>Memorial of St Edmund Arrowsmith</i>		9:15am Eric Vincent Whiteside
Wednesday 26th August <i>Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God</i>	7:00pm People of the Parish	
Thursday 27th August <i>St Monica</i>	10.00am No Mass Today	
Friday 28th August <i>St Augustine</i>	10.00am No Mass Today	
Saturday 29th August <i>Memorial of St John the Baptist</i>	10:00am No Mass Today	6:00pm Ellen & Rex Baxter & David Baxter
Next Sunday 30th August <i>Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:30am Alice & Fran Giron - Conland Terry Allen	11.00am Kathleen Tregay



St Michael Archangel Prayer

*"Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be
our protection against the wickedness and snares of
the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and
do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power
of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who
prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen"*

Readings for next Sunday : **Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

First Reading - Jeremiah 20:7-9

'The word of the Lord has meant insult for me'

Second Reading - Romans 12:1-2

'Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice'

Gospel Reading - Matthew 16:21-27

'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself.'

*"Today the Lord glorifies that place,
since He has exalted Mary
above the choirs of the angels.
That is to say,
the Blessed Virgin,
who was the dwelling of the Savior,
has been assumed bodily into heaven"*

"The Protection of God" - St. Columba

