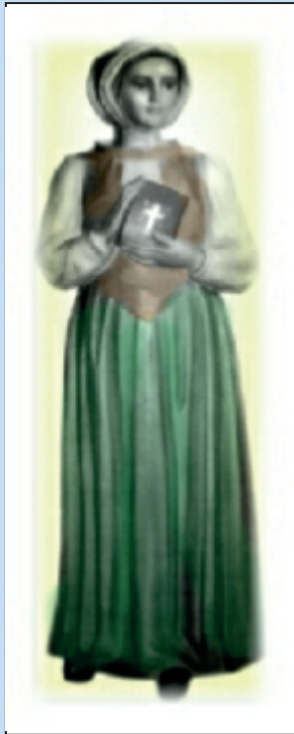


Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

6th Sunday of Easter (B)

5th May 2024



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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.

Retiring Collections: Weekend of the 5th May - for SVP
12th May - for World Communications

Last Week's Parish Collections:
Offertory Collection: £762.86, 2nd Collection: £315.90 (Sudan)

Holy Day of Obligation: This Thursday is the Solemnity of the Ascension and we come to Mass as we would on a Sunday. Masses are 12noon in St Ambrose and 7pm in Holy Family. Masses will be celebrated with the primary schools during the day.

Holy Family Tea and Coffee after Mass: The next tea and coffee will be on Sunday 12th May after the 9.30am Mass.

CAFOD Sudan Appeal: 'The people of Sudan need our urgent help. CAFOD are launching an emergency appeal for donations to get aid to them on the biggest scale we can muster. When violence broke out last year in Sudan between government and paramilitaries, most aid agencies evacuated. Now, humanitarian workers are struggling to get back into Sudan to help, meaning severe delays in getting aid to the people, and the challenges of getting into areas where fighting is still going on remain. Many borders are shut as the government say they need to keep weapons out. But the Church and our local partners are still there. Please stand with them today.' At CAFOD's urgent request, the second collection last week was changed to support this appeal. Donations may still be made this week in an envelope marked 'Sudan'.

A Year of Encounter: With a UK general election due sometime this year, politicians will be looking for our votes. We have a responsibility as Catholics to make sure that parties commit to tackling issues such as poverty and injustice. Raising our voices and contacting parliamentary candidates as a parish community will send a strong signal to those standing for election in our local constituencies. A Year of Encounter is a joint initiative between CAFOD and the SVP equipping Catholics to ask key questions of local candidates at the key moments. Please see cafod.org.uk/encounter for more information, including an online session on 4th May.

Red Mission Boxes: The latest collection of Mission Boxes amounted to £602.34. Sincere thanks to all contributors and collectors on achieving this amazing total.

Sick List: If there are any names that you wish to be added to the new list please contact Liz in the office.

Children's Liturgy: will next be held on Sunday 5th May at the 11am Mass at St Ambrose.

First Holy Communions: will be celebrated over the coming weeks. Please pray for our children and their families at this holy and special time.

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 will be at the Boundary Stone at 1.00pm on Wednesdays whilst the Applewood is refurbished.

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.

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

Please pray for those who are Sick



All Cancer Patients
Archbishop Kelly
Carol Yates
Hannah Delargy
Michael Ruddy
Pat Williams
Teresa Yates

There were many names that had been on the list for a number of years. It was agreed at the parish meeting that we would start a new list from the Sunday after Easter. This is the new list. If there are any names that you wish to be re-instated on the list or to be added to it please contact Liz in the office.

PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Week Beginning 5th May	Holy Family	St Ambrose Barlow
Psalter: Week 2 Readings: Sunday - 6th Sunday of Easter (B) Weekdays - Easter Week 6		
SUNDAY 6th Sunday of Easter (B)	9.30am Manuel Mendes & Deceased Family <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>	(Sat) 6.00pm Teresa McColl & Parishioners <i>(Not livestreamed)</i> 11.00am For the soul of Liberada Rodrigues <i>(Also livestreamed)</i> 3.00pm Rosary & Benediction at St Ambrose Barlow Church
MONDAY		
TUESDAY		9.15am Mary Taylor
WEDNESDAY	7.00pm Frank Aspinall & Family	
THURSDAY Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord <i>Holy Day of Obligation</i>	<i>Holy Day of Obligation</i> 7.00pm Roy Wagstaff	<i>Holy Day of Obligation</i> 12noon Terence Flanagan
FRIDAY	10.00am Yvonne & Fred Farnworth <i>Mass in St Gabriel's School – Parishioners welcome</i>	
SATURDAY	10.00am John Pearson 10.30-11.00am Adoration & Confessions	6.00pm Parishioners <i>(Not livestreamed)</i>
NEXT SUNDAY 7th Sunday of Easter (B) World Communications Day	9.30am Mary Evans <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>	11.00am For the soul of Anthony Vaz <i>(Also livestreamed)</i> 3.00pm Rosary & Benediction at St Ambrose Barlow Church

All Masses are usually livestreamed except for the Saturday night Mass and the Friday morning Mass.

BAPTISM

We welcome into our family of Faith
Martha Cannon
 May God bless her and her family.

LATELY DEAD

Please pray for those who have died recently.

Peter Harris

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,
 and let perpetual light shine upon them.
 May they rest in peace. Amen.*

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 7th Sunday of Easter (B)

First Reading – Acts 1:15-17,20-26

You must choose one of these to be a witness to his resurrection with us.

Second Reading – 1 John 4:11-16

Anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him.

Gospel Reading – John 17:11-19

That they may be one like us.

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**.