

Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)

12th July 2018

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

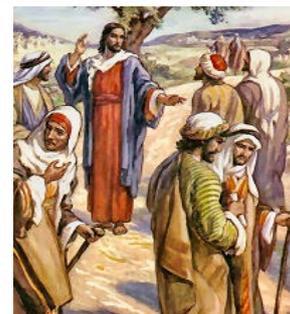
Psalter Week 2
Readings Sunday – Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)
Weekdays – Ordinary Time, Week 14

Sunday Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)

Sea Sunday

Wednesday Feast of St. Benedict, Abbot

Next Sunday Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)



LEIGH DEANERY

Parish of St. Margaret Clitherow

St. Ambrose Barlow

Astley

St. Gabriel's

Higher Folds

Holy Family

Boothstown

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

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.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Very often Jesus encountered opposition and unpopularity, especially in his own country. We see in today's Gospel that the people of his home town of Nazareth would not accept him, and that their lack of faith prevented him from performing any great miracle there. He remarked, "A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house." According to Luke's Gospel the people of his home town were so enraged with him and his teaching that they tried to throw him over a cliff, but he faced them down and escaped. On the other hand, Jesus sometimes found great faith among people who were not of his own country or race or religion, such as the Samaritan leper whom he cured, or the Roman Centurion of whom he said, "I tell you solemnly, nowhere in Israel have I found faith like this", or the Canaanite woman who "had great faith". The apostles, when they begin to preach after Jesus' resurrection and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, were to find that the Gentiles responded far more readily to the message of the Gospel than did the people of Jesus' own race. Paul and Barnabas were moved by exasperation to say to the Jewish people of Antioch in Pisidia, "we had to proclaim the Word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans."

We might do well to keep these examples in mind in our attempts to proclaim the Gospel today. Many of us, of course, are glad to support the missions overseas, but closer to home, if we attempt to spread the Gospel outside the doors of our churches, who do we speak to? We all must know people who do not come to Church every week. There are many people who come to Mass at Christmas and Easter. There are many who have children attending Catholic schools and join us for services and celebrations from time to time. There are sadly many who have lapsed away from attending Mass regularly and may, just maybe, be waiting for an invite back. What passes for evangelization in our churches can be an attempt to reclaim lapsed Catholics. We might do better to follow the exhortation made on various occasions during the papacy of John Paul II "Duc in altum", that is, "put out into the deep." These words come from Jesus' instruction to the apostles, fishing without success on the lake, that they should, "put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch." The result for them, on that occasion, was that they caught an enormous number of fish. Pope Francis has echoed this call, urging us all to be willing to go out from our churches and bring the message of the joy of the Gospel to all people. If we heed this call and boldly proclaim the Gospel to people of other religions or none, or of very different cultures from our own, we might well experience greater success. Such at least was the experience of Jesus and his apostles.

Psalm Response

Our eyes are on the Lord till he shows us his mercy.

Gospel Acclamation

The Word was made flesh and lived among us;
to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God.

PARISH NEWS

This Week

Summer Mass Schedule -

This year we will operate the reduced Mass times for the whole of **July and August**. This allows us to once more try this out for when we have fewer priests. The Mass times will be **8.45am Holy Family, 10.00am St Richards, 11.15am St Ambrose Barlow**.

Bag2school Clothing Collection

St Ambrose Barlow Guides are holding their annual clothing collection on **Monday 9th July**. Please start collecting your old clothes/shoes/bags/belts/bedding (not quilts), towels and soft toys. Bags are available in the back of church, however any bin bags are accepted.

Please drop off your bags at St Ambrose Barlow church **on or before Sunday 8th July**.

Craft Group Move

Due to building demolition work the Craft Group that was based at Holy Family has moved to St Ambrose Barlow. Same time, 1.00pm to 3.00pm Wednesday afternoon. We will finish for the summer when the schools finish.

Parish Forum - Deanery Forum

Many thanks to all those who came along to the Deanery Forum last week. Just to let everyone know that it has changed from the "Parish Forum" to the "Deanery" or "Pastoral Area" Forum to include the Parish of St. Edmund Arrowsmith. It is still a Forum, in that there is always an open invitation for people to simply come along and join in.

The next Forum Meeting will take place sometime in September. More details nearer the time.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who supported St Ambrose Barlow Summer Fair. A wonderful day was had by all and, though the final total is yet to be confirmed, valuable funds were raised which will now go directly back to supporting our children.

A list of raffle prizes and winners is displayed at the back of St Ambrose Barlow Church. Any winners who have not yet claimed their prize can do so by contacting the school office

Catholic School Governor Training

Governors from Catholic schools in the area are warmly invited to attend a training session '**Governance in a Catholic School**'. This will be held at St. Joseph's Primary School, Mather Lane, Leigh, WN7 2PR on the evening of **Monday 9th July** from 6.00-8.00pm.

The session covers material which is specific to the governance of a Catholic school and will not deal with matters common to governors of all schools. It is therefore particularly important that governors who may not be Catholic and have never before attended any 'Catholic' governor training are particularly encouraged to attend. There is no charge.

Bookings please to i.beck@rcaol.co.uk

or to f.coldicutt@rcaol.co.uk

or telephone 0151 522 1071.

St. Richard's 500 club July Draw

£100.00 016 W.Connor
£ 50.00 150 P.Wilson
£ 25.00 029 T.Thompson
£ 15.00 L.Sandelands.
£ 15.00 K.Walsh.

Thank you for your continued support

Liverpool Synod 2020 - Holy Hour

Please try your very best to come along to the third of the Holy Hours in the Deanery. The Holy Hours are part of the preparations for the Archdiocesan General Synod in 2020. The last of the Holy Hours in our Deanery for the time being will take place on: **Wednesday July 18th at 7.30pm in Sacred Heart Church, Leigh.**

Building Work at St. Richard's

Those who attend Mass at St. Richard's will notice that all the scaffolding is now in place. Work begins on the roof very soon. It should take approximately four weeks to complete. There may be some alterations to the times of the services, for example, we won't have Exposition on Wednesday morning until after the work is finished. Most importantly, please take care when you are near the scaffolding, especially when the men are working on the roof. Take extra care and keep safe. If there needs to be any changes to services we will let you know asap.

MERU Women's Garden Project

A message from Josie Carter....

"On behalf of Soroptimist International Leigh & District Club, we would like to thank everyone who gave their old, broken and unwanted jewelry to the collection over the past few weeks. Special thanks to Mary Blears for her extremely generous donation. Your generosity will go a long way towards providing a future for the women in Meru and their families"

Congratulations to Philip Carr, Anthony Kelly and Carl Mughan on their Ordination to the Priesthood this weekend. Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

LAST WEEK'S PARISH COLLECTIONS

Offertory	£ 1771.09
CHICKS	£ 330.48
Peter's Pence	£ 138.30

Thank you for your generosity.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Today

Apostleship of the Sea

Next Sunday is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. The second collection will be for Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports.

For more information on the work of AoS please visit www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk

Next Week

Monthly SVP Collection (SVP Case History, SVP Webpage)

When Tom's wife died after 22 years of marriage he muddled along, unable to express the deep grief he felt. His local SVP Conference provided the friendship he needed. Plunged into a deep depression following the death of his wife, Tom felt isolated and alone. When his cooker also broke down, he felt as if things were conspiring against him. He contacted the SVP, grumbling that his 'dismal pension' wasn't enough to cover the cost of replacing it. We visited to find out exactly what he needed and discovered that the kitchen appliance had very little to do with it. The first time we met him he was grumpy and embarrassed to be asking for help. We listened to his needs over a cup of tea. We were able to find him a cooker fairly quickly, but far more importantly, Tom has become a very dear friend, with whom we have shared many, many cups of tea. As is so often the case, the cooker was the cover for a much deeper need.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Eucharistic Assembly Liverpool

We have been informed that there are now some **extra places available for the National Eucharistic Assembly**, also known as "Adoremus" (7-9th September). Tickets are available for the Saturday of the Congress but you will need to book them directly from the Archdiocese. The contact person is Eleanor Lalley on 0151-522-1047 and she will send you a booking form which you will need to return immediately. Or you can download the booking form from e.lalley@rcaol.co.uk or formation@rcaol.co.uk.

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Parish Trip to York - FULL!

Please note that the Parish trip to York in December is now completely full. If you are still interested in going then please leave your name(s) and contact number with Fr.Paul (the Big One!) and you will be put on a reserve list. If any places become available you will then be invited on the trip asap. The cost should be approximately £10 per person. We will give you further details regarding pick-up points and times of departure and return much nearer the time.



Sacred Heart Club

**Quiz Night - Cash Prizes
Every Thursday**

Doors open 8.00 pm for 8.30 start.

Appointment of new Chief Operating Officer for Archdiocese of Liverpool

The Archdiocese has announced the appointment of Martin Miller to the newly created post of Chief Operating Officer for the Archdiocese of Liverpool. Martin, a Catholic now living in Manchester but originally from Glasgow, has seventeen years' experience of working in the Anglican Diocese of Manchester.

The Archbishop, who led the selection panel, said, "... This newly created post is a key part of the trustees' response to the review of the Archdiocesan offices last year ... Martin's appointment will ensure there is greater coordination between the departments and that parishes, schools and other diocesan agencies receive a service which is even more responsive to their particular needs." See www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk for more information.

A Blooming Great Tea Party

With

FANTASTIC LIVE MUSIC

FROM LOCAL SINGING DUO "MIKE AND ME"

on

Thursday 19th July 2018

Between 10.00am and 12noon

at St. Richards Jubilee Hall,

Crab Tree Lane,

Atherton

To Raise Funds in aid of Marie Curie

Prayer in preparation for the Eucharistic Congress 2018 and for Synod 2020

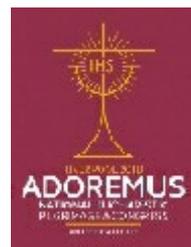
We thank you Father
For the love you have shown us
In the gift of Jesus, your Son.
Keep us grateful each day
For the blessings that surround us.

As we are fed by you,
So now send us out
To share what we have received
With our hungry brothers and sisters.

We humbly ask your help to become the Church
That you are calling us to be:
A community that listens, that trusts,
That lives with courage
And that puts out its nets into new waters.

May the gentle presence of Christ in our
hearts
Be a source of healing, of new life
And a deeper trust in you.
We ask this in faith
Through Jesus Christ, Our Lord.

Amen.



Reflect:

This week's Gospel shows us that even Jesus was not always accepted by those he met, but he did not give up preaching his good news. How often do we become disheartened when we meet opposition from others when trying to express our faith?

Pray

Lord, may I never forget that you are always with me, even to the end of time

Actions

Be aware of those around you who are downhearted. Find words of encouragement for them.

Challenge

Make a change for the better in your world, just something simple can have a profound effect.

"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples." -Mother Teresa

Newsletter

Please ensure that items for next week's newsletter are sent in by Wednesday evening. Thank you.

Clergy Addresses

Fr Paul Seddon: St Richard's Presbytery, Mayfield Street, Atherton, Manchester M46 0AQ

Fr Paul Grady: Holy Family Presbytery, 208 Chaddock Lane, Boothstown, Worsley, Manchester M28 1DN

Finance

All monies should be paid into the Parish account of St Margaret Clitherow Please note spelling 'Clitherow'). Thank you.

PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Please pray for those who are Sick	Week Beginning 8th July	Holy Family	St. Ambrose Barlow	St. Richard's																																				
 Arthur Leggett Agnes Pilkington All Cancer Patients Anne Broad Baby George Baby Grace Baby Luke Baby Penny Rose Bernadette Bates Bernard O'Donnell Bridie Molyneux Catherine Jones Christopher Browne Clifford Browne Derek Maude Eddie Shaw Edward Leach Emma Oldham Enid Kenwright Eugenie Cheetham Fon O'Hara Freda Peake Gerald Hackett Guy Ryan Hannah Delargy Irene Burke Irene McIntyre Jamie Robbins Jean Tchibukdjian Jess Garrett Joan Wilkinson John Neary John Sleeman John Wall Kathy Kenyon Maisie Sweeney (10) Margaret Case Margaret Dawson Margaret Hurley Margaret Ross Margaret Wall Marjorie Price Mary Tiernan Maureen Halliday Michael Wright Patricia Wilson Rev Jim Melia Sandra Jones Shelagh Welsby Sr Megan Haisley Stephen Howell Steve Clorston Ted & Harriet Langin Thelma Humble Thomas McLoughlin Wyn Wright Yvonne Mellin	SUNDAY	Summer Mass Times	8.45 am Vincent Carey	(Sat) 6.00 pm Philomena Lines 11.15 am Graham Jones	(Sat) 6.00 pm Gertrude Sandilands 10.00 am Kathleen & Fred Lyth	MONDAY					TUESDAY			9.15 am Elizabeth O'Dea	9.15 am Eileen Boardman	WEDNESDAY		7.00 pm Veronica Marsden		No Exposition this week and none until further notice	THURSDAY		10.00 am John Burke		9.15 am Fr. Ged Murphy (Silver Jubilee)	FRIDAY		10.00am Mass with St Gabriel's School in Holy Family Church		9.15 am Margaret Hughes	SATURDAY		No Mass or Confessions	10.00 am Exposition and Rosary 6.00 pm Rose Kendrick	6.00 pm Tom Murray	NEXT SUNDAY		8.45 am Joan Higgins	11.15 am Les Rushworth	10.00 am Gertrude Sandilands
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Children's Liturgy at Holy Family –
 There has been some interest and we will try to restart children's liturgy initially once a month after the summer. If anyone else is interested please speak to Fr Paul G.

BAPTISMS
We welcome into our family of Faith

Lemuel Chiemezie Iwu
 Chioma Sophie Ogunna

May God bless them and their families.

 *Please pray for those who have died recently:*

Peter Burke
 Tom Murray

Malcolm Laithwaite
 Patricia Wilson
 Mildred Hughes
 Stephen Clouston
 Albert Cooke

R.I.P.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

NB Saturday Confessions – there will be no Saturday morning Mass or Confessions at Holy Family this week as Fr Paul G will be in Liverpool rehearsing for the Lourdes pilgrimage with the Music Group

Confessions after both 6.00 pm Masses in St Ambrose Barlow and St Richard's.
 Confession also available where possible by request or by appointment.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND
Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)

First Reading *Amos 7:12-15.*
 The prophet Amos is faithful to the task God gave him, even though he is rejected by those to whom he is sent.

Second Reading *Ephesians 1:3-14.*
 St. Paul shares a hymn of thanksgiving to God for the great spiritual gifts he has given to us in Christ.

Gospel Reading *Mark 6:7-13.*
 Jesus sends out the twelve apostles in twos as his representatives