

# St Margaret Clitherow & St John Rigby

Parishes In Leigh Pastoral Area

Feast of the Holy Family (A)

29th December 2019

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## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

**Psalter** Week 1  
**Readings** Sunday – Feast of the Holy Family(A)  
Weekdays – Octave of Christmas or Christmastime

**Sunday** Feast of the Holy Family (A)  
**Wednesday** Solemnity of Mary Mother of God  
**Thursday** St Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen  
**Next Sunday** Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord (A)

### LEIGH DEANERY

#### Parish of St. John Rigby

Sacred Heart  
Hindley Green  
Sacred Heart  
Hindsford  
St. Richard's  
Atherton

#### Parish of St. Margaret Clitherow

St. Ambrose Barlow  
Astley  
St. Gabriel's  
Higher Folds  
Holy Family  
Boothstown

#### 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

### Psalm Response

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

### Gospel Acclamation

May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts;  
let the message of Christ find a home with you.

### Gospel Reading – Matthew 2:13-15,19-23

Matthew casts the Holy Family as displaced persons and homeless refugees.

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## SYNOD 2020 - The Story So Far

Please make sure you take home a Synod leaflet and prayer card if you have not already done so. In his Pastoral Letter Archbishop Malcolm mentioned that over 20,000 people had responded so far in the Synod process. So we are going to continue our response by looking at the Synod themes that have emerged from all the sharing:-

- Sharing the mission of Jesus
- How we pray together
- Building community, nurturing belonging

Please remember to return your responses to the second theme, "Sharing The Mission Of Jesus" as soon as possible. Don't forget if you wish to forward your proposal online it's [www.synod2020](http://www.synod2020). A reminder that you are welcome to attend any or all of the SYNOD 2020 talks.

### Feast of the Holy Family

There will be festive refreshments after the 9.30am Mass **TODAY, 29th December** at Holy Family in celebration of the church's Patronal Feast Day.

### New Year's Eve Mass

5pm at Holy Family. All welcome.

### Feast of the Epiphany

The Feast of the Epiphany has been transferred to the adjacent **Sunday, 5th January 2019**; usual Sunday Mass times.

### Burns Night 2020

**Friday 17th January** at St Ambrose Barlow Church Hall at 7.45pm. Including "HAGGIS" supper and a "wee" dram or soft drink – £7.50. As this is a popular night please contact Des 07973 114365 for reservations.

### Holiday Newsletter Deadlines

The deadline for items for the newsletter for **Sunday 5th January 2019** has now passed. Thereafter, please send all St Margaret Clitherow parish items for the newsletter to the office at Holy Family or email [stmargaretclitherow@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:stmargaretclitherow@rcaol.org.uk) by Wednesday evening as usual.




### 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.

# PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Please pray for those who are Sick	Week Beginning 29th December	Holy Family	St. Ambrose Barlow	St. Richard's	Sacred Heart Hindley Green	
 <p>All Cancer Patients                      Anelyse Lewis                      Anne Broad                      Arthur Leggett                      Baby George                      Baby Grace                      Baby lyla Faith                      Baby Luke                      Bernard O'Donnell                      Brenda Southern                      Bridie Molyneux                      Catherine Jones                      Christopher Browne                      Clare Barlow                      Clifford Browne                      Eddie Shaw                      Elizabeth Hulmes                      Elizabeth Levien                      Emma Oldham                      Enid Kenwright                      Freda Peake                      Gerald Hackett                      Guy Ryan                      Hannah Delargy                      Hilda Almond                      Irene McIntyre                      Jack Rothwell                      Jean Tchibukdjian                      Jennifer Langin                      Jess Garrett                      Jessie Lucas                      Joan Wilkinson                      John Neary                      John Wall                      Kathy Kenyon                      Margaret Case                      Margaret Ross                      Margaret Wall                      Mary Bird                      Mary Tiernan                      Maureen Halliday                      Michael Wright                      Rev Jim Melia                      Sandra Jones                      Shelagh Welsby                      Stephen Howell                      Terence Flanagan                      Terry Barlow                      Thelma Humble                      Theresa Stanley                      Thomas McLoughlin                      Yvonne Mellin</p>	<b>SUNDAY</b>	9.30 am Teresa Unsworth & Veronica Marsden	(Sat) 6.00 pm John Burke  11.00 am Deceased Members of the Delargy Family	(Sat) 6.30 pm Bernadette Sproston  9.30 am Keith Boulton, Eileen Boardman	(Sat) 5.00 pm William & Winifred Denton	
	<b>MONDAY</b>					9.15 am Requiem Mass for Jimmy Rafferty
	<b>TUESDAY</b> <i>NEW YEAR'S EVE</i>	5.00 pm Seamus McNulty	9:15 am Deacon Philip McDermott	<i>9.15 am No Service</i>	9.15 am Joseph & Geraldine Clarkson	
	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <i>NEW YEAR'S DAY</i>	<i>No Mass today</i>		<i>No Exposition this week</i>	10.00 am Liam Dalton	
	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<i>No Mass today</i>			<i>No Service</i>	
	<b>FRIDAY</b>	<i>No Mass today</i>		10.30 am Funeral Mass for Joan Doyle	7.00 pm William & Elizabeth Gaskell <i>Confessions 7.30pm</i>	
	<b>SATURDAY</b>	10.00 am Thanksgiving for the Icon	(Sat) 6.00 pm Ronnie Butler	(Sat) 6.30 pm Brian Tomkins	(Sat) 5.00 pm Thomas & Elizabeth Cooke	
	<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b> <i>THE EPIPHANY</i>	9.30 am Evelyn Sheridan	11.00 am Christine Coyne	9.30 am Michael Herko		

**BAPTISM**

*We welcome into our family of Faith*

**Luca George Riding**

*May God bless him & his family.*

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday Confessions after 10.00am Mass at Holy Family and after 6.00pm Mass at St Ambrose & 6.30pm Mass at St Richard's.

Friday Confessions, 7.30pm at Sacred Heart, Hindley Green

Confession also available where possible by request / appointment.

**LATELY DEAD**

*Please pray for those who have died recently:*

**Bridget Healy**

**Joan Doyle**

**Margaret Dawson**

**Jimmy Rafferty**

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

**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND**  
**Feast of the Epiphany**

**First Reading – Isaiah 60:1-6**  
The prophet Isaiah cheers the returned exiles with a vision of a restored city which will become a beacon of light for all the nations.

**Second Reading – Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6**  
St.Paul explains the theological meaning of the Epiphany, where God invites Jews and Gentiles to share in the salvation brought by Christ Jesus.

**Gospel Reading – Matthew 2:1-12**  
Three Gentiles came from a far country to pay homage to the Christ-child, while the Jewish leaders rejected him.

**Anniversaries** (*Sacred Heart, Hindley Green*)

Liam Dalton, Kevin McLoughlin, James Rudd, Benjamin Prescott, William Simpson, Alessia Depasquale, John Doherty, David Morrison, Catherine Tootil

Bridie Phillips  
 Doreen Smith  
 Eileen McAlister  
 Eileen Watkinson  
 Elsie Byron  
 Jean Culkin  
 Jean Rafferty  
 Jedd Balmer  
 Joan Baines  
 Joan Cave  
 John Atkins  
 Joyce Gorton  
 Leonard Sandelands  
 Martin Culkin  
 Maureen Blears  
 Michael Gallagher  
 Nora Smith  
 Robert Barron