

Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

4th Sunday of Advent (B)

20th December 2020



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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. Items for the *Deanery website* may also be submitted via the parish offices, where they will be checked for suitability and forwarded to the website editor for uploading.

Public Masses and Services have now resumed as advertised on the Mass Timetable overleaf. The guidance is the same as before 5th November:

The social distancing rules, wearing of face coverings and using hand sanitisation remain the same. We will continue to book in for each Mass by phone or email to the parish office for track and trace purposes.

- In tier three weddings are not permitted. Funerals which take place in church may only be attended by up to 30 people maximum.
- Baptisms may be attended only by those from one household (Godparents stand by proxy). If Baptisms are within public Mass the number is dependant on the safe number as per our risk assessments.
- Communal singing is still not allowed at this time.
- The Sunday Obligation remains suspended by the Bishops Conference.

Mass on the internet: YouTube link is <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdiZm6Ng-14daTz6Q9ZcRLQ>

This is also on Facebook on the page titled 'Parish of St Margaret Clitherow, Leigh'.

The Sunday **9.30am** Mass will be broadcast and for those who can access it the video will remain to be watched anytime afterwards if you miss it live. Where possible daily Masses will be broadcast and other prayer services which can also be watched and participated in at any time later.

OTHER ITEMS

Christmas Masses – There are limited places at Mass due to the social distancing restrictions and so we cannot welcome as many people as usual. **Places are only allocated by booking through the parish office.** If you are unable to book a place please join us online on the YouTube link.

Christmas Eve
6pm Holy Family
8pm St Ambrose Barlow
12 midnight Holy Family (no carols or readings beforehand)

Christmas Day
9.30am Holy Family
11am St Ambrose Barlow

Food collection – Our Advent collection has begun. We are focusing on supporting the local food banks, which includes the bank operating in St Gabriel's school for the families in need there. Non-perishable food such as tinned or dried food may be left at church or dropped off at Holy Family Presbytery from this week onwards.

HCPT Christmas Cards – 9 choices of cards available. Packs £3 (some £2). Please phone either Steve Cooper 07952 152371, Ursula 07785596120 or the parish office to order cards. They will not be sold at the back of church this year, only via phone.

Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse – A statement by the Bishops Conference is available on the Deanery Website following the publication of the IICSA report. We pray for all affected by abuse of any kind.

Greetings Card Campaign – It is that time of year again when we remember some of those imprisoned unjustly and/or in danger of torture for their beliefs and send them a greetings card to let them know that they are not forgotten. This year, we have put details of the prisoners, cost of postage etc on the deanery website <http://www.leighdeanery.co.uk/> and ask you to use any cards of your choice and post them to the prisoners at the addresses given. Please support this if you can and send a message of hope at Christmas. Thank you.

Advent, in the light of Fratelli Tutti – A series of Reflections as part of "Prepare the Future" will be given by Cardinal Michael Fitzgerald Mafr, Mondays in Advent, Prayer beginning at 7.00pm. Last one:

- 21 December, Get on with it lass
- Zoom registration: www.jpiverpoolcatholic.org.uk
YouTube [LiverpoolJ&P](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjPiverpoolcatholic) Facebook [jpiverpooljp](https://www.facebook.com/jpiverpooljp)

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.

Online giving website

The Archdiocesan online giving website can receive both one-off and regular monthly donations. Each parish has its own unique link on the website and all donations will go to the parish selected by the donor. There is a detailed guide on how to donate on the website. The link to the page for St Margaret Clitherow parish is:
<https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-margaret-clitherow-boothstown>

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

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
 Anelyse Lewis
 Anne Broad
 Anthony Mullen
 Baby George
 Baby Grace
 Baby lyla Faith
 Baby Luke
 Bill Burke
 Brenda Southern
 Brendan Faulkener
 Catherine Jones
 Christine Costello
 Christopher Browne
 Clare Barlow
 Clifford Browne
 Dorothy Kelly
 Elizabeth Hulmes
 Elizabeth Levien
 Emma Oldham
 Enid Kenwright
 Freda Peake
 Guy Ryan
 Hannah Delargy
 Hilda Almond
 Irene McIntyre
 Jack Rothwell
 Jack Travis
 Jean Tchibukdjian
 Jennifer Langin
 Jess Garrett
 Jessie Lucas
 Joan Wilkinson
 John Wall
 Kathy Kenyon
 Margaret Case
 Margaret Wall
 Mary Bird
 Mary Tiernan
 Maureen Halliday
 Maureen Kelly
 Michael Wright
 Rosalind Richardson
 Sandra Jones
 Shelagh Welsby
 Stephen Howell
 Terence Flanagan
 Theresa Stanley
 Thomas McLoughlin
 Viktor Batrak

PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Week Beginning 20th December	Holy Family	St Ambrose Barlow
Psalter: Week 4 Readings: 4th Sunday of Advent (B) Weekdays - Advent Week 4	Public Masses and Services have now resumed as advertised below. The guidance is the same as before 5th November. The Sunday Obligation remains suspended by the Bishops Conference.	
SUNDAY 4th Sunday of Advent (B) <i>Day of Prayer for Expectant Mothers</i>	9.30 am Church Open Please book a place (Public & livestreamed) McEleny Family 3.00pm Rosary & Benediction (livestreamed only)	(Sat) 6.00 pm Church Open Please book a place Parishioners 11.00 am Church Open Please book a place John Skeet (RIP)
MONDAY St John of the Cross		
TUESDAY		9.15 am Bernard Hughes (livestreamed only)
WEDNESDAY	7.00 pm Church Open Please book a place (Public & livestreamed) Philip & Teresa Smith	
THURSDAY (Christmas Eve)	No Morning Mass 6.00 pm Church Open (No places left – livestreamed) Parishioners 12 midnight Church Open Please book a place (Public & livestreamed) Christmas Intentions	8.00 pm Church Open Please book a place Christmas Intentions
FRIDAY Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day)	9.30 am Church Open Please book a place (Public & livestreamed) Christopher Tickle	11.00 am Church Open Please book a place Christmas Intentions
SATURDAY St Stephen	No Morning Mass	6.00 pm Church Open Please book a place John Pearson
NEXT SUNDAY Feast of the Holy Family (B)	9.30 am Church Open Please book a place (Public & livestreamed) Madeleine Sighe 3.00pm Rosary & Benediction (livestreamed only)	11.00 am Church Open Please book a place Parishioners

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confession (The Sacrament of Reconciliation) is available by request or by appointment following social distancing guidelines.

BAPTISMS

We welcome into our family of Faith:

Orlaith Hitchen

May God bless her and her family.



LATELY DEAD

Please pray for those who have died recently:

Thelma Humble

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her May she rest in peace. Amen.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Feast of the Holy Family

First Reading – Genesis 15:1-6;21:1-3
 Your heir shall be your own flesh and blood.

Second Reading – Hebrews 11:8.11-12.17-19

The faith of Abraham, Sarah, and Isaac.

Gospel Reading – Luke 2:22-40

The child grew, filled with wisdom.