

St Margaret Clitherow & St John Rigby

Parishes In Leigh Pastoral Area

Fifth Sunday of Lent (A)

29th March 2020

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Psalter Week 1
Readings Fifth Sunday of Lent (A)
Weekdays - Week 5, Lent

Sunday Fifth Sunday of Lent (A)

Friday Day of Prayer for Survivors of Sexual Abuse

Next Sunday Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our 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

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Baptisms are postponed until further notice.

Funerals will not be celebrated as either Mass or a Service in church, only a service at the crematorium or graveside will be permitted following guidance from the Bishop's Conference and funeral directors. A funeral Mass in memorial can be offered once we are allowed to gather safely.

All meetings are suspended for the time being. Decisions about First Communion Masses and other events will be made nearer the time and dependant on instruction from the Bishops and the Government.

All Masses are to be in private without a congregation, which may either be in church or in the house. Fr Paul Grady will continue to celebrate Masses at the usual times (see the Mass Table on the next page) and invites parishioners to join in prayer at these times. Any intentions received will be posted on the online newsletter on appropriate days as usual.

We are no longer able to open churches for private prayer but we are now able to live stream at least some Masses from Fr Paul G. This is on Facebook on the page titled 'Parish of St Margaret Clitherow, Leigh'. It is hoped to be able to broadcast on YouTube once Fr Paul has worked it out. 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.

For more information on Live Streaming of Masses and other church services throughout the week please click on the link to 'Celebration of Mass' on the Deanery web site and then click on 'St Gregory's Church, Chorley, Live stream' or 'Church Services TV' or one of the other links listed.

Other Parish News


A new parish email has been issued by the archdiocese. Please make use of this new address when contacting the parish office. stmargaretclitherow@rcaol.org.uk Emails sent to the old email address will be forwarded automatically to the new one for the time being.

A reminder: Please could all items for the newsletter be sent to the office at Holy Family or the above email by Wednesday evening.


Parish Collections: Please save your church offerings/envelopes, including special collections envelopes, until such time as the churches are open again and we can assemble safely again. Meanwhile, if anyone wants to set up a new Direct Debit for their Sunday offerings please request a direct debit form by email to the parish office, stmargaretclitherow@rcaol.org.uk

John Neary - John was interred quietly into the family grave at Tyldesley Cemetery. A Memorial Mass and celebration of John's life will take place later in the year when it is safe to do so. Michele & Tim wish to thank friends & parishioners for the cards, prayers and messages of sympathy; Fathers Paul and Kevin, Deacons Denis & Ken, for their ministry to John, Michele & Tim. We are truly overwhelmed and humbled by the outpouring of respect & love shown at this time. "Until we meet again may God hold you in the palm of his hand."

PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Please pray for those who are Sick	Week Beginning 29th March	Parish of St Margaret Clitherow	Parish of St John Rigby
 All Cancer Patients Anelyse Lewis Anne Broad Baby George Baby Grace Baby lyla Faith Baby Luke Bernard O'Donnell Bill Burke 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 Jack & Doreen 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 Phil & Christine Costello Rev Jim Melia Sandra Jones Shelagh Welsby Stephen Howell Terence Flanagan Terry Barlow Thelma Humble Theresa Stanley Thomas McLoughlin	Please note: The priests will say all Masses in isolation until further notice.	Please note: Fr Paul Grady will say Masses at the usual times, for the Intentions listed below, but behind closed doors.	Please note: The priests will say all Masses in isolation until further notice.
	SUNDAY	(Sat) 6.00 pm Linda Buckley 9.30 am Veronica Walsh 11.00 am Joan & Joe Rigby	
	MONDAY		
	TUESDAY	9.15 am Joan Clegg	
	WEDNESDAY	No early Mass 7.00 pm Jean Roberts	
	THURSDAY	10.00 am Jim & James Neary	
	FRIDAY	No early Mass 10.00 am Harold & Iris Hogg	
	SATURDAY	10.00 am Victims of Corona Virus & their families	
	NEXT SUNDAY	(Sat) 6.00 pm Maria Zalecka 9.30 am Ellen & Edward Wardle 11.00 am Agnes & Gerry Yates	

Bernadette Boardman
 Eileen McAlister.
 Eileen Watkinson.
 Elsie Byron.
 Jean Culkin.
 Jedd Balmer.
 Joan Baines.
 Joan Cavey.
 John Atkins.
 Joyce Gorton.
 Martin Culkin.
 Maureen Blears.
 Michael Gallagher.
 Nora Smith.



LATELY DEAD

Please pray for those who have died recently:

Derek Maude

John Neary

Those who have died of the coronavirus Covid-19

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

In accord with the Coronavirus Guidelines there will be no confessions until further notice.

Please contact one of the priests for pastoral guidance if required.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND
Palm Sunday

First Reading – Isaiah 50:4-7

I did not cover my face against insult - I know I shall not be shamed.

Second Reading – Philippians 2:6-11

He humbled himself, but God raised him high.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 26:14-27:66

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.