

St Margaret Clitherow & St John Rigby

Parishes In Leigh Pastoral Area

Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord (A)

5th April 2020

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Psalter	Week 2
Readings	Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord (A) Weekdays - Holy Week
Sunday	Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord (A)
Thursday	Maundy Thursday
Friday	Good Friday (Day of Fast and Abstinence)
Saturday	Holy Saturday
Next Sunday	Easter Sunday (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. **NEW! Where possible daily Masses will be broadcast and other prayer services which can also be watched and participated in at any time later.**

YouTube link is

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdiZm6Nq-14daTz6Q9ZcRLQ>

Both the Facebook and YouTube links are on the front page of the Deanery web site, in the '*Celebration of Mass*' section. For more information about other streamed Masses click the '*Continue - Celebration of Mass*' link 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


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 5th April	Parish of St Margaret Clitherow	Parish of St John Rigby	
 All Cancer Patients Aneyle 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 + <i>Addition this week:</i> Brendan Faulkener 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.	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.	
	PALM SUNDAY	(Sat) 6.00 pm Maria Zalecka 9.30 am Ellen & Edward Wardle 11.00 am Agnes & Gerry Yates		
	MONDAY			
	TUESDAY	9.15 am Mildred Hughes		
	WEDNESDAY	No early Mass 7.00 pm Brian Lillis		
	MAUNDY THURSDAY	7.30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper For all suffering from Coronavirus and medical workers		
	GOOD FRIDAY <i>(Day of Fast & Abstinence)</i>	3.00 pm Service of the Lord's Passion		
	HOLY SATURDAY	8.00 pm Easter Vigil For Parishioners		
	EASTER SUNDAY	9.30 am V. Walsh 11.00 am Margaret Ross		



LATELY DEAD

Please pray for those who have died recently:

John Tiernan

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

Easter Sunday

First Reading – Acts 10:34.37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection.

Second Reading – Colossians 3:1-4

You must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Gospel Reading – John 20:1-9

He must rise from the dead.