

Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

2nd Sunday of Lent (B)

28th February 2021



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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.

CHURCH CLOSURE

In a recent email to priests of the Archdiocese, the Archbishop has written the following:-
"Although I have circulated the recent Government advice on the opening of churches, I want to emphasise that the final decision in this regard is yours. Only you know your people, their age profile and the risks they are likely to be exposed to and present to others. You have to consider your volunteers and stewards. You also have yourself to consider and I would not want you to expose yourself unnecessarily to infection from the virus."

So, after speaking to a number of health professionals, priests in the Archdiocese, nurses and NHS staff, all the priests of the Deanery have decided to cease the celebration of public worship and private prayer in all the churches in the area. We will review our position as and hopefully when the situation is a little better.

The overall message from the Government and health officials is to STAY AT HOME. Please do so, stay safe, and please God we will be able to open up our churches very soon to welcome you back. As we see the vaccine distributed, closing our churches now is a small price to pay to welcome back a time when we can feel safe everywhere, especially when we gather to pray together one day.

- In the current lockdown weddings and baptisms are not permitted except in danger of death.
- Funerals which take place in church may only be attended by up to 30 people maximum.

Mass on the Internet

YouTube link is <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdiZm6Nq-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.

Mass on the Phone

For those without internet, who are unable to watch online Mass, Sunday Mass is available by telephone from Middlesbrough Cathedral, charged as a local call or free if in your included minutes. **Phone 01642 130120** to be connected to the Mass for that week. You can listen at any time of day or night.

If you are aware of anyone who may benefit from this service, please let them know.

Food Collection: Thank you for continued donations for the food 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.

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
 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
 Neville Thomas
 Ron Sparrow
 Rosalind Richardson
 Sandra Jones
 Shelagh Welsby
 Stephen Howell
 Terence Flanagan
 Theresa Stanley
 Thomas McLoughlin
 Viktor Batrak
 + Carmel Stephens

PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Week Beginning 28th February	Holy Family	St Ambrose Barlow
Psalter: Week 2 Readings: 2nd Sunday of Lent (B) Weekdays - Week 2 of Lent	All the priests of the Deanery have decided to cease the celebration of public worship and private prayer in all the churches in the area. We will review our position as and hopefully when the situation is a little better. The reasons for this are explained on the front page. The Sunday Obligation remains suspended by the Bishops Conference.	
SUNDAY 2nd Sunday of Lent (B)	9.30 am Kathleen Roddy <i>(Livestreamed only)</i> 3.00pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction <i>(Livestreamed only)</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm Parishioners <i>(Mass in Private)</i> 11.00 am For the sick and those that care for them <i>(Mass in Private)</i>
MONDAY St David		
TUESDAY		9.15 am Mary Siney <i>(Livestreamed only)</i>
WEDNESDAY	7.00 pm Carmel Stephens <i>(Livestreamed only)</i>	
THURSDAY	10.00 am John Burke <i>(Livestreamed only)</i> 11.30 am Funeral Mass for Marian O'Brien <i>(Livestreamed)</i> Maximum 30 limit – listed attendees only	
FRIDAY	10.00 am June Kenny <i>(Livestreamed only)</i> 3.00 pm Funeral Service for June Kenny at Howe Bridge Crematorium Maximum 30 limit – listed attendees only	
SATURDAY	10.00 am Kathleen & Harry Hilton <i>(Livestreamed only)</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm Parishioners <i>(Mass in Private)</i>
NEXT SUNDAY 3rd Sunday of Lent (B)	9.30 am Teresa Unsworth <i>(Livestreamed only)</i> 3.00pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction <i>(Livestreamed only)</i>	11.00 am For young people and teachers in schools <i>(Mass in Private)</i>

LATELY DEAD

Please pray for those who have died recently.

Marian O'Brien
 June Kenny

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND Third Sunday of Lent

First Reading – Exodus 20:1-17

The Law was given through Moses.

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Here we are preaching a crucified Christ, an obstacle to men, but to those who are called, the wisdom of God.

Gospel Reading – John 2:13-25

Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.