

Parish of St Margaret Clitherow

Feast of the Holy Family (B)

31st December 2023



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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.

Retiring Collections: Weekend of the 31st December - for Foodbank
7th January - for SVP

Last Week's Parish Collections:

Offertory Collection: £1019.57 2nd Collection: £1278.85 (Christmas)

Christmas: Thanks to all who helped prepare our churches and all who helped during the Masses with stewarding, sacristy, music, serving, flowers, reading and ministering. Many thanks for all the cards and gifts received by Fr Paul and Deacon Bob. We wish you every blessing for the coming new year.

Holy Family Tea and Coffee after Mass: The next tea and coffee morning will be in the new year.

Thank you: Your SVP wishes to thank you for your generosity this year. We have been able to give vouchers to our school children and families: £2000 food vouchers and over £1500 to help with gym kits and school trips. You have supplied an average of 9 bags each week for the Food Bank. You have supplied over 60 bags of warm clothing for the Barnabus charity.

Children's Liturgy at St Ambrose: will be on Sunday 7th January at the 11am Mass.

Christmas Greeting: To Fr Paul and friends, wishing you all a joyful Christmas and a very happy new year. God bless, from Harold and Colette.

Food Bank: As many families are struggling in our midst please give generously if you are able. Food donated at church is taken to support our local food bank.

SVP: 1. The weekly meeting of the older men in the parish for lunch and a chat at the Applewood Farm at 1.00pm on Wednesdays will resume on Wednesday 10th January after the Christmas break.

2. The next meeting of the SVP will be on Thursday 4th January after the 10am Mass at Holy Family. All welcome.

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024

LOCAL PARISHES

Parish of St. Margaret Clitherow

St. Ambrose Barlow

Astley

St. Gabriel's

Higher Folds

Holy Family

Boothstown

Parish of St. John Rigby

Sacred Heart

Hindley Green

Sacred Heart

Hindsford

St. Richard's

Atherton

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 Iyla Faith
 Brendan Faulkener
 Carol Yates
 Catherine Jones
 Christopher Browne
 Clifford Browne
 Dorothy Kelly
 Elizabeth Levien
 Emma Oldham
 Fr Phil Gregory
 Guy Ryan
 Hannah Delargy
 Harry Mullen
 Hilary Cooper
 Irene McIntyre
 Jack Rothwell
 Jack Travis
 Jennifer Langin
 Jessie Lucas
 Joan Wilkinson
 John Henry
 John M
 John Mellin
 John Morley
 John Wall
 Louisa Duffy
 Lourdes Barnes
 Margaret Wall
 Mary Goulding
 Mary Griffin
 Mary Tiernan
 Maureen Kelly
 Michael Rafferty
 Michael Ruddy
 Michael Wright
 Ned Geoghegan
 Pat Mellin
 Pat Williams
 Sandra Jones
 Sean Fleming
 Stephen Cooper
 Stephen Garrett
 Stephen Howell
 Teresa Yates
 Theresa Stanley
 Tony Kenney

PARISH MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Week Beginning 31st December	Holy Family	St Ambrose Barlow
Psalter: Week 2 Readings: Sunday - Feast of the Holy Family (B) Weekdays - Christmas		
SUNDAY Feast of the Holy Family (B)	9.30am William Michael McManus <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>	(Sat) 6.00pm Parishioners <i>(Not livestreamed)</i> 11.00am Eric Vincent Whiteside <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>
MONDAY Solemnity of Mary Mother of God		
TUESDAY St Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen		<i>No Mass today</i>
WEDNESDAY Holy Name of Jesus	7.00pm Kathleen Berry	
THURSDAY	10.00am Yvonne Mellin	11.00am Funeral Service for Frank Gilhooley
FRIDAY	<i>No Mass today</i>	
SATURDAY	10.00am William Michael McManus 10.30-11.00am Confessions	6.00pm Parishioners <i>(Not livestreamed)</i>
NEXT SUNDAY The Epiphany of the Lord (B)	9.30am Peter Gavin <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>	11.00am Deceased Members of the McGrath & Beresford Families <i>(Also livestreamed)</i>

All Masses are usually livestreamed except for the Saturday night Mass and the Friday morning Mass.



LATELY DEAD

Please pray for those who have died recently.

Bernard Hargreaves
Frank Gilhooley
Marilou Fernandez
Shelagh Welsby

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

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

The Epiphany of the Lord (B)
(At the Mass during the Day)

First Reading – Isaiah 60:1-6

Above you the glory of the Lord appears.

Second Reading – Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6

It has now been revealed that pagans share the same inheritance.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 2:1-12

We saw his star and have come to do the king homage.

To make an offering to the parish by text message

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