



# St. Margaret Clitherow's Catholic Church

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Parish Priest: Fr Luke Marappillil

Parish Secretary: Steve Pearce (available Wednesday/Friday 12:30-3:30pm)

**Confessions:** Monday-Saturday 30 minutes before the Mass or at call.

**Baptism, Marriages & Visits:** please call.

**13 December 2020: Third Sunday of Advent [B] Gaudete Sunday**

## Mass Intentions/Service Times

Saturday	12 Dec	06.30pm:	Eric Wilmot RIP	
Sunday	13 Dec	10.30am:	People of the parish	
Monday	14 Dec	9.00am:	Special Intention	St Ambrose
Tuesday	15 Dec	10.00am:	Holy Souls	<b>Immaculate Conception of BVM</b>
Wednesday	16 Dec	10.00am:	<b>No Mass</b>	Feria
		<b>01.00pm:</b>	<b>Funeral Mass for Joseph (Joe) Cahill</b>	
Thursday	17 Dec	10.00am:	Mrs Yolanta Chona (Birthday Blessing)	Feria
Friday	18 Dec	10.00am:	Paul and Laura (Wellbeing)	Feria
			Mass followed by Exposition-Adoration-Divine Mercy Chaplet-Benediction	
Saturday	19 Dec	06.30pm:	Sacred Heart	
Sunday	20 Dec	08.30am:	Brazilian Community	Third Sunday of Advent (B)
		10.30am:	People of the parish	

## DON'T BE DISAPPOINTED BOOK EARLY FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES

**You have to book for the following Masses at Christmas**

24th December - **18:30** Vigil Mass

24th December – **22:00** Midnight Mass

25th December - **10.30** Christmas Morning Mass

**There is a booking form on your newsletter, drop this off in the box at the back of Church or**

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- There are limited places, and places will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.
- You will be contacted and given your booking reference. Make sure you know this on the day as stewards will ask for it.
- Accepted bookings will be displayed on Church notice boards, and our website.
- Arrive at least 15 minutes before Mass to give stewards time to show you to your pew.
- Doors will be shut once Mass begins. If you arrive late your seat(s) will be allocated to anyone waiting.
- The Archbishop reminds us that the Church regards each day in the Octave of Christmas (25<sup>th</sup> December to 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021) as if it were the solemnity itself. So, if you have any concerns attending the Masses above you can attend a Mass on any other day during this period.

### RED BOX COLLECTION

A big thank you for your donations both at our recent second collection in October and with the Red Boxes we have received. A total of £871.57 has been sent to Missio. We will make arrangements in the new year for those with Red Boxes to collect them from the presbytery.

## **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice.  
Indeed, the Lord is near.

### **FIRST READING** – Isaiah 61: 1-2, 10-11

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me,  
for the Lord has anointed me.  
He has sent me to bring good news to the poor,  
to bind up hearts that are broken;  
to proclaim liberty to captives,  
freedom to those in prison;  
to proclaim a year of favour from the Lord.  
“I exult for joy in the Lord,  
my soul rejoices in my God,  
for he has clothed me in the garments of salvation,  
he has wrapped me in the cloak of integrity,  
like a bridegroom wearing his wreath,  
like a bride adorned in her jewels.”

“For as the earth makes fresh things grow,  
as a garden makes seeds spring up,  
so will the Lord make both integrity and praise  
spring up in the sight of the nations.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM** - Luke 1

**R. My soul rejoices in my God.**

### **SECOND READING** – 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24

Be happy at all times; pray constantly; and for all  
things give thanks to God, because this is what God  
expects you to do in Christ Jesus.

Never try to suppress the Spirit or treat the gift of  
prophecy with contempt; think before you do anything  
- hold on to what is good and avoid every form of evil.  
May the God of peace make you perfect and holy; and  
may you all be kept safe and blameless, spirit, soul and  
body, for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. God  
has called you and he will not fail you.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me.  
He has sent me to bring good news to the poor.  
Alleluia!

### **GOSPEL** – John 1: 6-8, 19-28

A man came, sent by God. His name was John.  
He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the  
light, so that everyone might believe through him.  
He was not the light, only a witness to speak for the  
light. This is how John appeared as a witness. When  
the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to  
ask him, “Who are you?” he not only declared, but  
declared quite openly, “I am not the Christ.” “Well  
then,” they asked “are you Elijah?” “I am not” he said.

“Are you the Prophet?” He answered, “No.” So they  
said to him, “Who are you? We must take back an  
answer to those who sent us. What have you to say  
about yourself?” So John said, “I am, as Isaiah  
prophesied:

a voice that cries in the wilderness:

Make a straight way for the Lord.”

Now these men had been sent by the Pharisees, and  
they put this further question to him, “Why are you  
baptising if you are not the Christ, and not Elijah, and  
not the prophet?” John replied, “I baptise with water;  
but there stands among you - unknown to you - the  
one who is coming after me; and I am not fit to undo  
his sandal strap.” This happened at Bethany, on the far  
side of the Jordan, where John was baptising.

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and  
invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten  
Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God,

begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried,

and rose again on the third day

in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory

to judge the living and the dead

and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and

glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins

and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear.

Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.