



St. Margaret Clitherow's Catholic Church

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

Baptism, Marriages & Visits: please call.

14 March 2021: Fourth Sunday of Lent [B] Laetare Sunday Mother's Day

Mass Intentions/Service Times

Saturday	13 Mar 06.30pm:	O'Sullivan Family	- Novena to St Joseph	
Sunday	14 Mar 08.30am:	Brazilian Community		
	10.30am:	Archbishop Peter Smith RIP (1 st Anniversary)	- Novena to St Joseph	
Monday	15 Mar 10.00am:	Larry John RIP	- Novena to St Joseph	Feria
Tuesday	16 Mar 10.00am:	Elizabeth Clara Eilers RIP	- Novena to St Joseph	Feria
Wednesday	17 Mar 10.00am:	Alice Murphy (Wellbeing)	- Novena to St Joseph	St Patrick (Feast)
		Mass followed by Exposition, adoration, rosary and Benediction		
Thursday	18 Mar 10.00am:	Paul and Laura (Wellbeing)	- Novena to St Joseph	Feria
Friday	19 Mar 10.00am:	Jair Goncalves RIP		St Joseph (Solemnity)
		Mass followed by Stations of the Cross		
Saturday	20 Mar 06.30pm:	Elizabeth Ssebowa RIP (Anniversary)		The first Mass of Sunday
Sunday	21 Mar 10.30am:	People of the parish		5 th Sunday of Lent (B)

Last Week's Mass attendance: Sat 6th Mar 6.30pm: 19; Sun 7th Mar 8.30am: 60; Sun 7th Mar 10.30am: 24

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning;
 exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

FIRST READING: A reading from the second book of Chronicles (2 Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23)

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy. Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, 'Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.'

And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: 'Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, "The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up."' The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 136

Response: O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not!

1. By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, remembering Zion;
on the poplars that grew there we hung up our harps. **Response**
2. For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs,
our oppressors, for joy. 'Sing to us,' they said, 'one of Zion's song.' **Response**
3. O how could we sing the song of the Lord on alien soil?
If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither! **Response**

SECOND READING: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians (Ephesians 2: 4-10)

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ – it is through grace that you have been saved – and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus. This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory and praise to you, O Christ! God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son; everyone who believes in him has eternal life. Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

GOSPEL: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John (John 3: 14-21)

Jesus said to Nicodemus: 'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed is used during Lent and Easter Time)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son, Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into Hell. On the third day, He rose again from the dead. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.