



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.

11 December 2022: Third Sunday of Advent [A] Gaudete Sunday

Mass Intentions/Service Times

Saturday	Dec 10	06.30pm:	Barney Fitzgerald (Wellbeing)	
Sunday	Dec 11	08.30am:	Brazilian Mass	
		10.30am:	Alan Dorman RIP	
Monday	Dec 12	10.00am:	Valerie Savides (Birthday Blessings)	Feria
Tuesday	Dec 13	10.00am:	NO MASS	St Lucy
Wednesday	Dec 14	10.00am:	NO MASS	St John of the +
Thursday	Dec 15	10.00am:	Deceased members of Brown & Mountain families	Feria
Friday	Dec 16	10.00am:	Jair Goncalves RIP	Feria
			Mass followed by Exposition-Adoration-Divine Mercy-Benediction	
Saturday	Dec 17	06.30pm:	Frances Anderson (Birthday Blessings)	The first Mass of Sunday
Sunday	Dec 18	10.30am:	Nora Mai (Wellbeing)	4 th Sunday of Advent (A)

Last Week... Mass Attendance: SMC Parish Community 66 Brazilian Community 146
Offertory Collection: £.229.61 £253.70

- Repository:** Open after the weekend Masses. Christmas Cards are available.
- Christmas Party:** After 10.30am Mass this Sunday (18th December) in the hall until 3.00pm. All are welcome!
- Christmas Offering/Collection:** Catholic Priests do not receive a salary in the way that ministers of other denominations do. The offerings/collections at the Christmas and Easter Masses are for the priests serving in the parishes. Christmas Offering envelopes are kept at the back of the church. If you wish to donate via cheque please make them payable to "RCAS St Margaret Clitherow, Dulwich Wood Park". If you are on the GIFT AID scheme please use your Gift Aid Christmas Offering envelope and enter your Gift Aid number. Thank you.
- Crib Offering:** As usual, this year also our Crib Offering will be for the Catholic Children's Society, which provides emergency food and essentials, as well as mental health services for children and their parents/carers.
- Churches Together, Crystal Palace, Annual Forum Meeting:** Sunday 22nd January 2023, 4.00-5:30pm at Salvation Army (next to Sainsburys Upper Norwood). All are welcome. Refreshments will be provided!
- Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 15th March 2023:** Details on the noticeboard.
- Racial Justice Sunday:** 5th of February 2023. This event will begin with a Mass celebrated by Archbishop John Wilson in St George's Cathedral at 10.00am. All are invited! Details on the noticeboard.
- First Holy Communion 2023:** Register as soon as possible, latest by the end of December 2022. Candidates with parents (bring also the Baptism certificate) to meet Fr Luke with prior appointment.
- Confirmation 2023:** Register as soon as possible, latest by the end of December 2022. For details contact Fr Luke. Once the names and number are confirmed the Episcopal Vicar will be informed to finalize the date.

Christmas 2022 & New Year 2023

Advent Reconciliation Service:	Saturday 17 th December at 6.15pm followed by Mass Sunday 18 th December at 10.15am followed by Mass
Advent individual confessions:	19 th & 20 th December at 9.30am before Mass & 10.30am after Mass
Christmas Vigil Mass:	Saturday 24 th December at 6.30pm
Carols and Readings:	Saturday 24 th December at 10.00pm followed by the first Mass of Christmas
Christmas Day Mass:	Sunday 25 th December at 10.30am.
Feast of the Holy Family:	Friday 30 th December at 10.30am
Year End:	Saturday 31 st December at 06.30 pm Mass followed by year-end prayer, Te Deum
New Year:	Sunday 1 st January at 10.30am Mass of Mary, the Mother of God

ENTRANCE HYMN: Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say, rejoice - x2
Rejoice, rejoice, and again I say, rejoice.
Sing praise to the Lord always, and again I say, sing praise - x2 Sing praise....
Give thanks to the Lord always, and again I say, give thanks - x2 Give thanks...

FIRST READING: A reading from the prophet Isaiah (1-6, 10)

Let the wilderness and the dry-lands exult, let the wasteland rejoice and bloom, let it bring forth flowers like the jonquil, let it rejoice and sing for joy. The glory of Lebanon is bestowed on it, the splendour of Carmel and Sharon; they shall see the glory of the Lord, the splendour of our God. Strengthen all weary hands, steady all trembling knees and say to all faint hearts, 'Courage! Do not be afraid. 'Look, your God is coming, vengeance is coming, the retribution of God; he is coming to save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, then the lame shall leap like a deer and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy for those the Lord has ransomed shall return. They will come to Zion shouting for joy, everlasting joy on their faces; joy and gladness will go with them and sorrow and lament be ended. The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 145) R: Come, Lord, and save us.

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith forever, who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R:**
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down,
the Lord, who protects the stranger, and upholds the widow and orphan. **R:**
3. It is the Lord who loves the just but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign forever, Zion's God, from age to age. **R:**

SECOND READING: A reading from the letter of St James (5: 7-10)

Be patient, brothers, until the Lord's coming. Think of a farmer: how patiently he waits for the precious fruit of the ground until it has had the autumn rains and the spring rains! You too have to be patient; do not lose heart, because the Lord's coming will be soon. Do not make complaints against one another, brothers, so as not to be brought to judgement yourselves; the Judge is already to be seen waiting at the gates. For your example, brothers, in submitting with patience, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.
The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia (sung to the tune of 'O come, O come, Emmanuel..')
The spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor. Alleluia,...

GOSPEL: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (11: 2-11)

The gospel of the Lord. **All:** 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: Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name will be called Emmanuel.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: Like a sea without a shore (Hymn No: 84)