



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.

01 January 2023: Holy Mother of God [A]

Mass Intentions/Service Times

Saturday	Dec 31	06.30pm:	Rosaleen McGinn RIP	
Sunday	Jan 01	08.30am:	Brazilian Mass	
		10.30am:	Sedney Chang-Pen-Tive RIP (25 th Anni) Francois Chang-Pen-Tive RIP (41 st Anni)	
Monday	Jan 02	10.00am:	People of the parish	SS Basil & Nazianzen
Tuesday	Jan 03	10.00am:	Alice Murphy (Wellbeing)	Holy Name of Jesus
Wednesday	Jan 04	10.00am:	Laura Goncalves RIP	Feria
			Mass followed by Exposition-Adoration-Holy Rosary-Benediction	
Thursday	Jan 05	10.00am:	NO MASS	Feria
Friday	Jan 06	10.30am:	Ascott Family (Wellbeing)	The Epiphany (Holyday of Obligation)
Saturday	Jan 07	06.30pm:	Kathleen Kelly RIP	The first Mass of Sunday
Sunday	Jan 08	10.30am:	Angela Hutor and family (Blessings for New Year)	Baptism of the Lord

Last Week... Mass Attendance: SMC Parish Community 148 Brazilian Community
Christmas Offering: £1,906.20

- Repository:** Open after the weekend Masses.
- 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.
- Thank You:** i. To all who have helped giving their time and worked so hard in getting the church ready for this wonderful feast of the Nativity of the Lord – cleaning the church, preparing the crib, the Christmas Tree, the flowers and decorations, the Christmas Party, the music and what not!
ii. For all your wishes, cards and for your generous Christmas gifts/offerings.
- Church Noticeboard:** This now has contact information, the week's newsletter, and details of any events.

I wish you all A Bright 2023, hoping it is less challenging than 2022!

Fr Luke

ENTRANCE HYMN: Away in a manger (Hymn No: 137)

GLORIA (sung): Angels we have heard in heaven (Hymn No: 130)

FIRST READING: A reading from the Book of Numbers (6: 22-27)

The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "Say this to Aaron and his sons: 'This is how you are to bless the sons of Israel. You shall say to them: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord let his face shine on you and be gracious to you. May the Lord uncover his face to you and bring you peace.' This is how they are to call down my name on the sons of Israel, and I will bless them." The word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 66)

R: O God, be gracious and bless us.

1. God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. **R:**
2. Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. **R:**
3. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. **R:**

SECOND READING: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians (4: 4-7)

When the appointed time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born a subject of the Law, to redeem the subjects of the Law and to enable us to be adopted as sons. The proof that you are sons is that God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts: the Spirit that cries, "Abba, Father", and it is this that makes you a son, you are not a slave anymore; and if God has made you son, then he has made you heir. The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! (**sung**)

At various times in the past and in various different ways, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; but in our own time, the last days, he has spoken to us through his Son. (**said**)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! (**sung**)

GOSPEL: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke (2: 16-21)

The shepherds hurried away to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger. When they saw the child, they repeated what they have been told about him, and everyone who heard it was astonished at what the shepherds had to say. As for Mary, she treasured all these things and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds went back glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen; it was exactly as they had been told. When the eighth day came and the child was to be circumcised, they gave him the name Jesus, the name the angel had given him before his conception. 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.

OFFERTORY HYMN: Take our bread, we ask you (Hymn No: 605)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever.

POST COMMUNION HYMN: Once in royal David's city (Hymn No: 128)

RECESSIONAL HYMN: O little town of Bethlehem (Hymn No: 127)