



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.

10 March 2024: Fourth Sunday of Lent [B] Laetare Sunday – Mother's Day

Mass Intentions/Service Times

Saturday	09 Mar 06.30pm: Jill Toother RIP	The First Mass of Sunday
Sunday	10 Mar 08.30am: Brazilian Mass 10.30am: Mary Cahill (Birthday Blessings)	4th Sunday of Lent (B)
Monday – Friday: No Mass at St Margaret Clitherow's. You are welcome to go to any of the neighbouring parishes, especially Our Lady and St Philip Neri, Sydenham where the Mass is at 09.30am.		
Saturday	16 Mar 06.30pm: People of the parish	The First Mass of Sunday
Sunday	17 Mar 08.30am: Brazilian Mass 10.30am: Emmanuel Vella RIP	5th Sunday of Lent (B)
Last Week...	Mass Attendance: SMC Parish Community 80 Offertory Collection: £218.76 Next week's Second Collection: For Poor Parishes	Brazilian Community 247 £326.93

- 1. Building Fundraise (Church Roof):** Special Collection First weekend of every month.
- 2. Mass Intentions:** Please contact us if you would like to have a Mass intention. For example, to celebrate a birthday or wedding, exam success, to pray for the wellbeing of another, or to remember those who have passed. Or, for any other life event you would like to pray for.

LENT-HOLY-WEEK-EASTER 2024

	Fridays in Lent	Mass 10.00am followed by Stations of the Cross	
23 March	Palm Sunday eve	Blessing of palms and Mass	6.30pm
24 March	Palm Sunday	Blessing of palms and Mass	8.30am (Brazilian)
		Blessing of palms and Mass	10.30am
25 March	Monday	Reconciliation Service/Confessions	5.45pm
		Mass	6.30pm
27 March	Chrism Mass	St George's Cathedral	11.30am
		NO MASS AT ST MARGARET CLITHEROW'S	
28 March	Maundy Thursday	Mass of the Lord's Supper	7.00pm
29 March	Good Friday	Walk of Witness by Churches Together beginning outside Sainsbury's (Crystal Palace)	11.00am
		Good Friday Service	3.00pm
		Stations of the Cross	7.00pm
30 March	Holy Saturday	Easter Vigil	7.00pm
31 March	Easter Sunday	Mass	8.30am (Brazilian)
		Mass	10.30am followed by

Easter celebrations in the Hall by bring and share. On the sheet kept at the back of the church, kindly put down your name and the items you would like to bring. All are welcome!

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 (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. **All:** Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (136) R: 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. **R:**
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 songs." **R:**
3. O how could we sing the song of the Lord on alien soil?
If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither! **R:**
4. O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not,
if I prize not Jerusalem above all my joys! **R:**

SECOND READING: A reading from the letter of Paul to the 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. **All:** 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 (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. **All:** 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.