



St. Margaret Clitherow's Catholic Church

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Parish Priest: Fr Luke Marappillil (on sick leave at home at the moment)

Parish Secretary: Steve Pearce (contact via parish e-mail at the moment)

Confessions: not available this week

Baptism, Marriages & Visits: please call at 020 8693 5070 (Dulwich East Parish)

17th August 2025 – 20th Sunday (C)

Mass Intentions/Service Times

Saturday	16 Aug	06.30pm:	People of the Parish	1st Mass of Sunday
Sunday	17 Aug	08.30am:	Brazilian Mass	20th Sunday (C)
		10.30am:	Damian & Rosa D'Souza RIP	
Monday	18 Aug	10.00am:	Cassandra Ann Sithanen – Birthday blessing	Feria
Tuesday	19 Aug	<i>There will be no Mass. Please feel free to reach out to the neighbouring parishes</i>		
Wednesday	20 Aug	10.00am:	Mass (possible to request a Mass intention)	Saint Bernard
Thursday	21 Aug	<i>There will be no Mass. Please feel free to reach out to the neighbouring parishes</i>		
Friday	22 Aug	10.00am:	Mass (possible to request a Mass intention)	Our Lady, Mother & Queen
Saturday	23 Aug	06.30pm:	People of the Parish	1st Mass of Sunday
Sunday	24 Aug	08.30am:	Brazilian Mass	21st Sunday (C)
		10.30am:	Derek D'Souza RIP	

Dear parishioners of Dulwich Wood Park Parish.

I hope that this message finds you well. Fr Luke continues his recovery time in the Presbytery. He is being supported by those whom he asked for help. Even though Fr Luke is getting better day by day he is not ministering in the parish for the meantime and all the responsibilities for the ministry remains as arranged. If you would like to speak or visit Fr Luke, please ring the presbytery number first (number provided above) Please pray for Fr Luke's wellbeing and speedy recovery.

As per arrangements made in July with the supply priests for the celebration of the weekend Masses in St Margaret's until the end of August, I would like to express my gratitude to Fr Paul Moses, who is celebrating the Masses this weekend and to Fr Ephraim Nwachukwu who is going to supply next weekend.

I would like to thank everyone for your continued support and fulfilling your service to your parish community in difficult circumstances. I continue asking every parish volunteer to fulfill your ministry as much as you can.

In case of any need, requests, consultation, please contact me on dulwich@rcaos.org.uk or Fr Roy Joseph on hernehill@rcaos.org.uk We will try our best to give you a weekly update on Fr Luke's wellbeing and recovery.

With best wishes and prayers,

Fr Bart Dudek – Parish Priest of St Thomas More in Dulwich, Dean of Camberwell.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

COLLECT: O God, who have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love, so that, loving you in all things and above all things, we may attain your promises, which surpass every human desire. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING – Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10: In those days: The officials said to the king, ‘Let this man, Jeremiah, be put to death, for he is weakening the hands of the soldiers who are left in this city, and the hands of all the people, by speaking such words to them. For this man is not seeking the welfare of this people, but their harm.’ King Zedekiah said, ‘Behold, he is in your hands, for the king can do nothing against you.’ So they took Jeremiah and cast him into the cistern of Malchiah, the king’s son, which was in the court of the guard, letting Jeremiah down by ropes. And there was no water in the cistern, but only mud, and Jeremiah sank in the mud.

Ebed-melech went from the king’s house and said to the king, ‘My lord the king, these men have done evil in all that they did to Jeremiah the prophet by casting him into the cistern, and he will die there of hunger, for there is no bread left in the city.’ Then the king commanded Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, ‘Take thirty men with you from here, and lift Jeremiah the prophet out of the cistern before he dies.’

The word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM – Psalm 39 R: LORD, make haste to help me!

1. I waited, I waited for the LORD, and he stooped down to me. He heard my cry. **R.**
2. He drew me from the deadly pit, from the miry clay.
He set my feet upon a rock, made my footsteps firm. **R.**
3. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God.
Many shall see and fear and shall trust in the LORD. **R.**
4. Wretched and poor though I am, the Lord is mindful of me.
You are my rescuer, my help; O my God, do not delay. **R.**

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:1-4: Brothers and Sisters: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or faint-hearted. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood.

The word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia. My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord, and I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 12:49-53

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, ‘I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! I have a baptism to be baptised with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on in one house there will be five divided: three against two and two against three. They will be divided, father against son and son against father; mother against daughter and daughter against mother; mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law, and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

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: With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.