



# 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.

## 22 February 2026: First Sunday of Lent (A)

### Mass Intentions/Service Times

Saturday	21 Feb	06.30pm:	William John Murphy RIP (12 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)	First Mass of Sunday
Sunday	22 Feb	08.30am:	Brazilian Mass	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent (A)
		10.30am:	People of the parish	
Monday	23 Feb	10.00am:	Francoise Requet (wellbeing)	Feria
Tuesday	24 Feb	10.00am:	Laurence David Ascott RIP (Anniversary)	Feria
Wednesday	25 Feb	10.00am:	Pierre D'Offay RIP	Feria
			Mass followed by Exposition-adoration-Holy Rosary-Benediction	
Thursday	26 Feb	10.00am:	Ann Brown (Thanksgiving)	Feria
Friday	27 Feb	10.00am:	Kay Argent	Feria ( <b>Cafod Lent Fast Day</b> )
			<b>Mass followed by Stations of the Cross</b>	
Saturday	28 Feb	06.30pm:	Yvonne Minnekeer RIP (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)	First Mass of Sunday
Sunday	01 Mar	08.30am:	Brazilian Mass	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun Lent (A)
		10.30am:	People of the parish	

**Second Collection next Weekend:** Cafod Lent Fast. This weekend our Cafod representatives – Jane Williamson and Laura Edet - will give a short talk on Cafod Fast. They will speak about the purpose and details of this collection.

- 1. First Holy Communion 2026:** Kindly register as soon as possible (latest by 20<sup>th</sup> February).
- 2. Confirmation 2026:** Those who would like to be confirmed this year kindly register soon (latest by 1<sup>st</sup> March).
- 3. New Finance Committee:** Those who would like to be on it, kindly let Fr Luke know soon.
- 4. Hall Booking:** At the weekends, especially on Saturdays, are to be done directly through Praetorium.  
Praetorium contact details: Email: [office@lowcosthalls.co.uk](mailto:office@lowcosthalls.co.uk) Tel: 01372 457651
- 5. The Romero Rosary Every Friday at 5pm during Lent:** At the National Shrine of St Oscar Romero in St George's Cathedral, followed by the Stations of the Cross. All are welcome!
- 6. Holy Week:** Like last year, this year also on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil) we are having a combined service with the Brazilian Chaplaincy. There is a meeting in the presbytery with the Brazilian Chaplaincy on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 7.00pm, for the organizers (choir, those in charge of making the rota for readers and special ministers of Communion...) and anyone who would like to express their views/suggestions.

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

**FIRST READING: A reading from the Book of Genesis (2:7-9; 3:1-7)** The Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. And out of the ground the Lord God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God actually say, "You shall not eat of any tree in the garden"?' And the woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die."' But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not surely die. For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths. The word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** (Psalm 50) **R: Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

1. Have mercy on me, O God, according to your merciful love; according to your great compassion, blot out my transgressions. Wash me completely from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. **R:**
2. My transgressions, truly I know them; my sin is always before me. **R:**  
Against you, you alone, have I sinned; what is evil in your sight I have done.
3. Create a pure heart for me, O God; renew a steadfast spirit within me. **R:**  
Do not cast me away from your presence; take not your holy spirit from me.
4. Restore in me the joy of your salvation; sustain in me a willing spirit. **R:**  
O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

**SECOND READING: A reading from the letter of St Paul the Romans (5:12-19)** Brothers and Sisters: Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned — for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for many. And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man; much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ. Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. The word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Glory and praise to you, O Christ. One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. Glory and praise to you, O Christ.

**GOSPEL: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (4:1-11)**

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:** One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

**LENT-HOLY-WEEK-EASTER 2026**

	<b>Fridays in Lent</b>	Mass 10.00am followed by <b>Stations of the Cross</b>	
28 March	<b>Palm Sunday eve</b>	Blessing of palms and Mass	6.30pm
29 March	<b>Palm Sunday</b>	Blessing of palms and Mass	8.30am (Brazilian)
	We join the Palm Sunday procession organised by St Stephen's Church.		10.00am
	The procession starts at Sealy Drive Shops; when it arrives near our church		
	around 10.15am we go for our Mass and blessing of palms.		10.30am
30 March	Monday	Reconciliation Service/Confessions	5.45pm
		Mass	6.30pm
31	Tuesday: 9.30am Confessions; 10.00am Mass; 10.30am Confessions		
01 April	<b>Chrism Mass</b>	St George's Cathedral	11.30am
	Wednesday	<b>NO MASS AT ST MARGARET CLITHEROW'S</b>	
02 April	<b>Maunder Thursday</b>	Mass of the Lord's Supper	7.00pm
03 April	<b>Good Friday</b>	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
		<b>Divine Mercy Nine-Day Novena begins today.</b>	
04 April	<b>Holy Saturday</b>	Easter Vigil	7.00pm
05 April	<b>Easter Sunday</b>	Mass	8.30am (Brazilian)
		Mass	10.30am