



# 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.

## 15 March 2026: Fourth Sunday of Lent (A) – Laetare Sunday & Mother's Day

### Mass Intentions/Service Times

Saturday	14 Mar	06.30pm:	People of the parish	First Mass of Sunday
Sunday	15 Mar	08.30am:	Brazilian Mass	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent (A)
		10.30am:	Sedney & Julie Chang-Pen-Tive RIP	
Monday	16 Mar	10.00am:		Feria
Tuesday	17 Mar	10.00am:	Gill and Brian (Well being)	St Patrick
Wednesday	18 Mar	10.00am:	Steve Bleasby RIP	Feria
			Mass followed by Exposition-adoration-Holy Rosary-Benediction	
Thursday	19 Mar	10.00am:	Jayme & Fabio SFamurri (Wedding Anniversary)	St Joseph
Friday	20 Mar	10.00am:	Holy Souls	Feria
			<b>Mass followed by Stations of the Cross</b>	
Saturday	21 Mar	06.30pm:	People of the parish	First Mass of Sunday
Sunday	22 Mar	08.30am:	Brazilian Mass	5 <sup>th</sup> Sun Lent (A)
		10.30am:	Elizabeth Ssebowa RIP (Anniversary)	

**Second Collection next Weekend:** Poor Parishes. This collection enables the Archbishop to make grants some of the poorer parishes in the diocese.

- Discernment Retreats:** For young women to give them a taste of the monastic life. At Minister Abbey Benedictine Monastery, Kent. 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> March; 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> August; 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> October. For details see the noticeboard.
- 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
- 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. On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March and Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March Archbishop John will personally lead the devotion. All are welcome!
- 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.

**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 First Book of Samuel (16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a)

In those days: The Lord said to Samuel, 'Fill your horn with oil, and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed is before him.' But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.' And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, 'The LORD has not chosen these.' Then Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?' And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and get him, for we will not sit down till he comes here.' And he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. And the Lord said, 'Arise, anoint him, for this is he.' Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the Lord rushed upon David from that day forward. The word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** (Psalm 22) **Hymn No: 806**

**SECOND READING:** A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians (5:8-14)

Brothers and Sisters: At one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light, for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true, and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, 'Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.' The word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus. I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus.

**GOSPEL:** A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John (John 9:1,6-9,13-17:34-38)

At that time: As Jesus passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. He spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud and said to him, 'Go, wash in the pool of Siloam' (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbours and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, 'Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?' Some said, 'It is he.' Others said, 'No, but he is like him.' He kept saying, 'I am the man.' They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, 'He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see.' Some of the Pharisees said, 'This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath.' But others said, 'How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?' And there was a division among them. So they said again to the blind man, 'What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?' He said, 'He is a prophet.' They answered him, 'You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?' And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' He answered, 'And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?' Jesus said to him, 'You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you.' He said, 'Lord, I believe', and he worshipped him. 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:** The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed, I saw and I believed in God.

<b><u>LENT-HOLY-WEEK-EASTER 2026</u></b>			
	<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>Maundy 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