ST. MARGARET CLITHEROW RC CHURCH, HAXBY, YORK

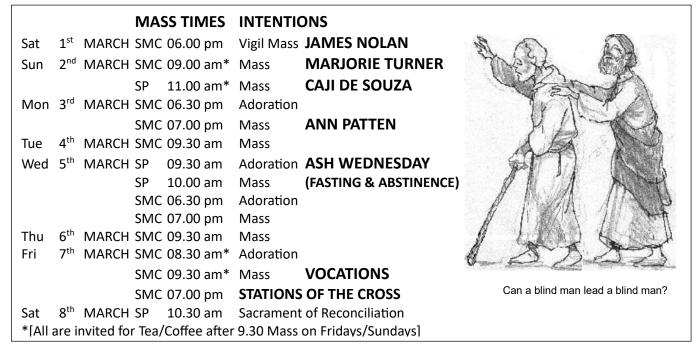
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EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - 2nd MARCH, 2025

Collections: 02.03.2025: Offertory Env. £114.00, Loose Plate £105.80, Standing orders £481.20 **Sick & Retired Priests Collection:** £306.00 Thank you.



Sick & Housebound: David Handley, Derek Sigston, Doreen Lancaster, Grace Mortimer, Kathleen Naylor, Kathy Gillard, Mark & Dinah Tyska, Marie Fairclough, Malcolm Rowan, Maeve Minns, Mia Grainger, Marilyn Furness, Nelly Yoward, Pat Long, Robert Goudy, Sandra Rowan, Stephen Wright.

Anniversaries: Peter Fardy, John Barker, Terri Hart, Anna Penny, Ann Patten, Alec Brook, Elizabeth Barrie, Charles Kelly, Ron Parker

Adoration and Evening Mass (3rd & 5th March) will be held Monday and Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm and 7 pm, respectively. May the Lord bless you as you come with your family and friend

First Holy Communion Preparation: All candidates for First Holy Communion should send their names by 24th March to the parish email: **<u>StMargaretClitherow@rcdmidd.org.uk.</u>** Thank you.

Ash Wednesday Next Wednesday will be Ash Wednesday, a day for fasting and abstinence marking the beginning of our 40 days preparation for the Easter celebration.

Family Fast Day (CAFOD)-<u>Friday 14th March</u> Our Friday morning coffee group is organising a "Soup & bread lunch" to raise funds towards our annual CAFOD collection. Please come along for homemade soup/roll and good chat with friends. Served from 11.30 am -1.30 pm. Would you like to help in the kitchen?

PPC Meeting: The Parish Pastoral Committee will have its next meeting on Monday, the 3rd of March, 2025, at 7:30 pm in the Church's meeting room. **Agenda:** Pastoral Plan

First Friday Adoration: Next Friday, we shall begin our first Friday Adoration at 8:30 a.m. and end with mass at 9:30 a.m. May the Lord bless you as you come with your family and friends.

Ordination Anniversary: We are invited to the Golden Ordination Anniversary of Rt. Rev Terence Drainey and the Diamond Ordination Anniversary of Bishop Emeritus John Crowley at Mary's Cathedral, Dalby Way, Coulby Newham, Middlesbrough, TS8 OTW, on Saturday, 26th July 2025, at Midday. If you hope to be there, please write your name in the list on the porch. Thanks.

St Vincent de Paul Society's Volunteer Role Description for the Assistant Volunteer Coordinator Please see the Parish porch for the details. Thanks.

Reconciliation Service will be held on Wednesday 9th April at 7 p.m. in St. Margaret Clitherow Church. Feel free to invite your family and friends to this important spiritual programme.

The Bereavement Support Group will meet on Wednesday, March 5th, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. in the Church's meeting room.

COVID-19 Day of Reflection: On 9 March, we join the nation in a Day of reflection to remember those who lost their lives during the COVID-19 pandemic. The day provides an opportunity to reflect, pray and support one another as we honour the resilience of our communities. We invite you to light a candle, offer a prayer, and remember all those who died as a result of the pandemic. Let us also give thanks for the strength and compassion shown during those challenging times. May we continue to offer love, hope, and kindness to all.

National Conference: Re-imagining Baptism Preparing for a lifetime in Christ: You, your clergy, and your catechists (involved in all areas of Sacramental preparation) are invited to participate in a day to re-imagine Baptism. This event will be hosted by the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis from the Archdiocese of Southwark and the Baptism Collaborative. Keynote: Abbot Hugh Allan O.Praem with workshops run by seasoned catechists and clergy from around the country. Dates: Friday, 9 May 2025, for Clergy and repeated on Saturday, 10 May 2025, for All. Location: Amigo Hall, St George's Cathedral, Archdiocese of Southwark.

Pilgrims of Hope - Jubilee 2025: Each parish is invited to send 3 or 4 parishioners to a diocesan event on Saturday 8th, March from 9.45 am to 1 pm, at Our Lady's Acomb, York, to explore the major themes of the Jubilee together. The hope is that participants will return to their parishes feeling equipped to help others in the Parish to engage in the Jubilee Year in practical ways. Please get in touch with your Parish Priest if interested or contact teresa_lyth@hotmail.co.uk directly to reserve a place. For more details, see February's Catholic Voice (page 3). Light refreshments are provided. Please bring a packed lunch. This event is free.

RETREAT FOR MARRIED COUPLES A Retreat on 'The Four Disciplines of a Family' will take place on **Saturday 15th March from 11 am until 3 pm**. Mike and Alicia Hernon, founders of the famous Messy Family Podcast are coming all the way from Ohio, USA to lead this Retreat. Please see the link below for more details. <u>https://diocesehn.org.uk/whats-on/event/messy-family-project-the-four-disciplines-of-a-family/</u>

HAVE A BLISSFUL SUNDAY!