

York

8th March 2026

Parishes of St Paulinus and St Margaret Clitherow

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR A

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The Samaritan woman at the well is promised the water of eternal life.

MASS INTENTIONS AND SERVICES

Sat 7 th March	6.00 p.m.	<i>Vigil Mass</i>		St Margaret Clitherow's
Sun 8 th March	8.40 a.m.	<i>Morning Prayer (Lauds)</i>		St Margaret Clitherow's
	9.00 a.m.	<i>Mass</i>	DAVID ARMITAGE	St Margaret Clitherow's
	11.00 a.m.	<i>Mass</i>	TERENCE KERRIGAN	St Paulinus
Mon 9 th March	6.30 p.m.	<i>Adoration</i>		St Margaret Clitherow's
	7.00 p.m.	<i>Mass</i>	VOCATIONS	St Margaret Clitherow's
Tue 10 th March	9.30 a.m.	<i>Mass</i>	JOHN HARVIE	St Margaret Clitherow's
Wed 11 st March	9.30 a.m.	Stations of the Cross		St Paulinus
	10.00 a.m.	<i>Mass</i>	GIACOMO CALVAROSO	St Paulinus
Thu 12 th March	9.30 a.m.	<i>Mass</i>		St Margaret Clitherow's
Fri 13 th March	9:30 a.m.	<i>Mass</i>		St Margaret Clitherow's
	7.00 p.m.	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>		St Margaret Clitherow's
Sat 14 th March	10.30 a.m.	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>		St Margaret Clitherow's
	6.00 p.m.	<i>Vigil Mass</i>		St Margaret Clitherow's

PLEASE PRAY

For those who are sick or housebound:

**Helen Jewitt, Helen Norris, Julie Thomson, Kate Black, Madge Quinn,
 Mary Ward, Nora O'Brien, Patricia O' Donnell, Paul Lowther, Tony Recchia, Nancy Hancock, Connie
 Waterworth.**

For those whose Anniversaries occur about this time.

**Margaret Harnan, Elsie Suter, Connie Buck, Irene Dowling, Max Walker, Michael Rogan, John Peacock,
 Marjorie Mercer, Hazel Martin, Lena Bradbury, Vincent Knight, Enid Harrington.**

EASTER RECONCILIATION SERVICE

will be held on Tuesday, 24th March at 7 p.m. at St. Margaret Clitherow Church. Feel free to invite your family and friends to this important spiritual renewal.

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

Collections	Amount	Collections	Amount
Loose Plate	£93.30	Candle Money	£7.90
Envelopes	£113.00	CAFOD	£27.00
Standing Orders	£75.00		
Total	£281.30	Total	£34.90

Many Thanks

PERIODIC SERVICES

Services	Period	Time	Collaborators
Church Cleaners	W/E 21 st March		Lora Huffen
	Monday 30th March		Easter Cleaning
Readers	Sunday 8 th March	11.00 a.m.	Sue Ellis
	Sunday 15 th March	11.00 a.m.	Alice Escudero
Offertory Counters	Sunday 18 th March	11.00 a.m.	David Gath
	Sunday 25 th March	11.00 a.m.	David Gath

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Exodus 17:3-7, Romans 5:1-2, 5-8, John 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

THE HOLY GOSPEL FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT, 8TH MARCH, 2026

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN

'A spring of water welling up to eternal life.'

At that time: Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?' (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock.' Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water. Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming — he who is called Christ. When he comes, he will tell us all things.' Jesus said to her, 'I who speak to you am he.' Many Samaritans from that town believed in him. So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Saviour of the world.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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HAVE A BLESSED WEEK