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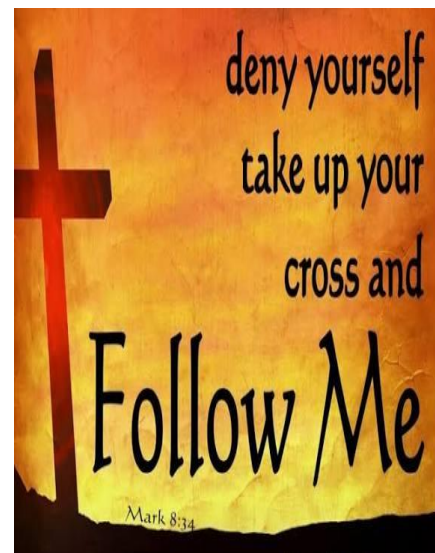


TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – 30th AUGUST, 2026

Collections: 23.08.26: Offertory Env. £258.50, Loose Plate £107.61, Standing orders £611.00,
[To donate: <https://donate.mydona.com/st-margaret-clitherow-haxby> - or use the QR code above.]

		MASS TIMES	INTENTIONS
Sat 29 th August	SMC	05.45 pm 06.00 pm	EVENING PRAYER (VESPERS) Vigil Mass PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
Sun 30 th August	SMC	08.40 am 09.00 am*	MORNING PRAYER (LAUDS) Mass PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
	SP	11.00 am*	Mass TOM SHEEHY
Mon 31 st August	SMC	06.30 pm 07.00 pm	Adoration Mass
Tues 1 st September	SMC	09.30 am	Mass
Wed 2 nd September	SP	09.30 am 10.00 am	Adoration Mass
Thurs 3 rd September	SMC	09.30 am	Mass ST GREGORY THE GREAT, FEAST
Fri 4 th September	SMC	08.30 am 09.30 am	FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION Mass
Sat 5 th September	SP	10.30 am	Sacrament of Reconciliation

***[All are invited for Tea/Coffee after Mass on Fridays & Sundays]**



Sick & Housebound: Catherine Conlin, Doreen Lancaster, Grace Mortimer, Kathleen Naylor, Kathy Gillard, Mark & Dinah Tyska, Malcolm Rowan, Peter Minns, Mia Grainger, Sandra Rowan, Stephen Wright.

Anniversaries: Alphonsus Trehy, Bernard Rowan, John Burns.

Evening Prayer (Vespers) & Morning (Lauds): I am pleased to invite everyone to join us for Evening and Morning prayer before weekend Mass.

Anniversary Blessing: On behalf of all parishioners, I joyfully extend warm congratulations to everyone celebrating birthdays, weddings, and other anniversaries this month. We'll give them a special blessing today, right after the prayer following communion, to honour their special moments.

World Needs: The CAFOD collection on **29th & 30th August** is for the victims of the Venezuela earthquake. Thank you for your generosity and support.

March for Life 2026: Join March for Life UK on **Saturday 5th September** in London. The right to life underpins every other right we have and without it every other right is rendered meaningless. Abortion denies the most vulnerable in our society of their most basic right which is why this year's theme is "Abortion Hurts the Family." Unite with thousands of others at this family-friendly event where we recognise the value of life from conception and stand up for all those who have been impacted by abortion. Find out more at <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk/> or email: info@marchforlife.co.uk.

Inspirational Day 2026: Please read the message on the notice board for the next Inspirational Day.

Catechist Formation Pathway 2: Catechist Formation Pathway 2 begins on **Thursday 24th September** 2026. Designed for experienced catechists and those who have completed Pathway 1, this diocesan programme offers an opportunity to deepen your understanding of the Catholic faith, learn from speakers from across the Diocese, and connect with fellow catechists. Most sessions will take place online, with opportunities for prayer, discussion and practical application to parish life. To find out more, contact Nicola at adultformation@rcdmidd.org.uk.

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Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham 2026: The 2026 Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham will now take place on **Saturday 26th September**. We will join pilgrims from the Diocese of Leeds. There will be a bus picking up from Saint Mary's Cathedral in Middlesbrough at 5:00am and York Train Station at 6:00am before heading to Walsingham. The cost will be £40 per person. For more information or to book onto this Pilgrimage, please contact Callum Walker, at the Curial Office via email bishopsecretary@rcdmidd-org.uk or telephone 01642 850505 ext 259.

Children's Liturgy Day; Little Hearts, Big Faith: A Day of inspiration, formation and encouragement for those involved in Children's Liturgy. **Saturday 10th October** 2026, from 1:00 pm until 4:30 pm at English Martyrs Parish Hall, York, for an inspiring afternoon led by Greg Finn of the Mark 10 Mission. The day will explore the purpose of Children's Liturgy, share best practice and discover practical ways to engage children in Scripture and prayer. We kindly ask that parish transfer forms be completed and returned to adultformation@rcdmidd.org.uk along with the names of those who wish to participate.

Assisted Suicide Bill: Urgent: Stop assisted suicide - postcards available

The vote on assisted suicide is on 11 September.

Not Dead Yet UK have provided postcards you can send to your MP to ask them to vote NO to assisted suicide in the vote in the House of Commons on 11 September.

Please take action now - collect a red and white postcard, fill out your details, add a stamp and post it to your MP today!

More information can be found at <https://livinganddyingwell.org.uk/> and <https://righttolife.org.uk/>.

Education Sunday 2026 On 13th September, we will be celebrating Education Sunday. We are currently recruiting for new Foundation Governors in our diocesan schools whose role is to ensure that they are, in the words of Bishop Marcus in his Letter to mark this occasion, "beacons of [God's] good news in our communities." If you would like to explore this possibility, please contact Kate Bailey, Director of Schools, kate.bailey@rcdmidd.org.uk /07886339361.

Prayer intentions of the Holy Father Pope Leo XIV for September 2026: For the care of water. Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Papal Encyclical – Magnifica Humanitas: The Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, released the first Papal Encyclical of his Pontificate on the **25th May**, named Magnifica Humanitas, which addresses the Church's social teaching in the light of artificial intelligence. I have enclosed a copy of the encyclical. The document, with supporting materials, can be downloaded from: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/magnifica-humanitas/> and from: <https://www.humandevlopment.va/en/magnifica-humanitas.html>.

Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Kathleen O'Kelly & Teresa Callan
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Items for publication are most welcome and should reach stmargaretlitherow@rcdmidd.org.uk on **Monday 31st August** for inclusion in the next edition.

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK