

York 6th September 2026
Parishes of St Paulinus and St Margaret Clitherow

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

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for where two or three
gather in my name,
 there am I with them.

MASS INTENTIONS AND SERVICES

Sat 5 th September	5.45 p.m. 6.00 p.m.	<i>Evening Prayer (Vespers)</i> <i>Vigil Mass</i>	ANNE PARKINSON	St Margaret Clitherow's
Sun 6 th September	8.40 a.m. 9.00 a.m.	<i>Morning Prayer (Lauds)</i> <i>Mass</i>	HELENA PARK	St Margaret Clitherow's
	11.00 a.m.	<i>Mass</i>	MARGARET MUIR	St Paulinus
Mon 7 th September	06.30 p.m. 07.00 p.m.	<i>Adoration</i> <i>Mass</i>		St Margaret Clitherow's
Tues 8 th September	09.30 a.m.	<i>Mass - NATIVITY OF THE BL. VIRGIN MARY, FEAST</i>		St Margaret Clitherow's
Wed 9 th September	NO MASS	<i>Owing to Diocesan meeting for Clergy 9.30am-4.00pm</i>		St Paulinus
Thurs 10 th September	09.30 a.m.	<i>Mass</i>		St Margaret Clitherow's
Fri 11 th September	09.30 a.m.	<i>Mass</i>		St Margaret Clitherow's
Sat 12 th September	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, Connie Waterworth, Tracey Ware, Fr Kevin Trehy.

For those whose Anniversaries occur about this time:

Ellen Starr, Mary Black, Ada Shaw, George Savage, Mary Nazareth, Nora Dunning, Peggy Stuckey.

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.

P.P.C. MEETING

Our next meeting is on **Monday 7th September** at 7.30 pm in **St Margaret Clitherow's** meeting room.

Agenda: Mission & Vision Statements.

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER POPE LEO XIV FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

Please pray for the following intention in August: **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.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We look forward to recommencing Children's Liturgy on **Sunday 13th September.**

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.

'SMC SAUSAGE SIZZLER'

13th September 1 pm - How can you help?' Please can you consider helping in some way to make the 'Sausage Sizzler' event a big success. Can you help set up tables? Can you bring salad items/puddings of some sort or help with serving tea or coffee? All assistance gratefully appreciated.

FUNERAL

Our sympathies are extended to the family and friends of the **late Nancy Hancock**, who passed away on August 25th at Harrogate Hospital, aged 91. The funeral will be held at Saint Margaret Clitherow Church on **Wednesday September 23rd at 11 am**, with interment to follow at Huntington Cemetery.

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.

CONSECRATION TO THE ORDO VIRGINUM

The consecration to the Ordo Virginum of Dr Emma Morrison will take place on **Saturday 26th September** at 12:00noon. The Mass will be celebrated by the Right Reverend Terence Patrick Draine, Bishop Emeritus of Middlesbrough. All are welcome. Please keep Emma in your prayers as she prepares for her Consecration.

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.

URGENT: STOP ASSISTED SUICIDE—postcards available

The vote on assisted suicide is on **11th 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 11th 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/>.

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

Collections	Amount	Collections	Amount
Standing Orders	£75.00	Candles	£6.00
Envelopes	£140.00		
Loose Plate	£71.00		
		Total Banked	£217.00
Many Thanks			

Items for publication are most welcome and should reach stpaulinus@rcdmidd.org.uk by **Monday 7th September** for inclusion in the next edition.

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK