

# ST. MARGARET CLITHEROW RC CHURCH, HAXBY, YORK

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## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – 20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2026 EVANGELII GAUDIUM DAY

**Collections:** 13.08.26: Offertory Env. £164.00, Loose Plate £74.80, Standing orders £623.88.

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| MASS TIMES                       |            |                 | INTENTIONS                                         |
|----------------------------------|------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> September   | SMC        | 05.45 pm        | <b>EVENING PRAYER (VESPERS)</b>                    |
|                                  |            | 06.00 pm        | Vigil Mass <b>SPECIAL INTENTION</b>                |
| Sun 20 <sup>th</sup> September   | SMC        | 08.40 am        | <b>MORNING PRAYER (LAUDS)</b>                      |
|                                  |            | 09.00 am*       | Mass <b>JOHN BLACK</b>                             |
|                                  | SP         | 11.00 am*       | Mass <b>DAVID IVESON</b>                           |
| Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> September   | SMC        | 06.30 pm        | Adoration                                          |
|                                  |            | 07.00 pm        | Mass <b>SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE-FEAST. CONVERTS</b> |
| Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> September  | SMC        | 09.30 am        | Mass                                               |
| Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> September   | <b>SMC</b> | <b>11.00 am</b> | <b>FUNERAL: NANCY HANCOCK</b>                      |
| Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> September | SMC        | 09.30 am        | Mass <b>OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM. FEAST</b>          |
| Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> September   | SMC        | 09.30 am*       | Mass <b>PRIVATE INTENTION</b>                      |
| Sat 26 <sup>th</sup> September   | SMC        | 10.30 am        | Sacrament of Reconciliation                        |



*"The last will be first and the first will be last."*

\*[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, Fr Kevin Trehy, Joe Campbell.

**Anniversaries:** Noreen Astbury, Gerald Colbeck, Paula Brown, Josephine Grasby, Zita Mellor, John Black.

**An Invitation to Visit the St Carlo Acutis Exhibition:** St Margaret Clitherow Catholic Church in Haxby is delighted to host a special touring banners exhibition dedicated to St Carlo Acutis, featuring a collection of 20 banners exploring his life, faith, and particular love of the Eucharist. We warmly invite parishioners and parish groups from across York and the surrounding area to come and experience the exhibition with us. **Open Day – Saturday 31 October 2026.** The exhibition will be open to everyone on: **Saturday 31 October 10.00 am – 3.00 pm** Parishioners are very welcome to drop in throughout the day, explore the banners and spend some time in quiet reflection and prayer. **Refreshments will be available throughout the day in the church meeting room**, and we would love to welcome as many people as possible to St Margaret Clitherow. Church, Holly Tree Lane, Haxby. Free off-street parking is also **available in the church car park.** **Parish Group Visits – Monday 2 to Friday 6 November** During the following week, **Monday 2 November to Friday 6 November**, we would particularly like to welcome parish groups to visit the exhibition. Parishes and parish groups can book a dedicated weekday or evening slot and use the banners as a focus and inspiration for prayer, reflection, or small-group gathering.

Groups might choose to:

- Pray the Rosary using themes from Carlo's life and spirituality.
- Spend time in quiet reflection and Eucharistic prayer.
- Use individual banners as prompts for Scripture, discussion or meditation.
- Reflect together on Carlo's love of the Eucharist and his call to holiness.
- Explore how his example might inspire our own parish communities.
- Simply spend time together in prayer in the presence of the exhibition.

We hope that the exhibition will not simply be something to look at, but an opportunity to **encounter Christ, deepen our prayer and reflect on our own call to holiness.**

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

**Bishop's Conference Collection:** There's a collection planned for the bishop's conference this weekend, and your support really makes a difference!

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

**St Vincent de Paul Society:** **September is SVP Awareness month** and next weekend is our annual parish collection. We thank you for your continued generosity both financially and materially. Please read the handout at both Masses this weekend giving information about the SVP and letting you know of the important work done in our own parish....Please add the date of the **Mass of Anointing for both parishes** to your diaries for **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 2 p.m.** St Vincent de Paul, pray for us.

**Catechist Formation Pathway 2:** Catechist Formation Pathway 2 begins on **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:adultformation@rcdmidd.org.uk).

**A Big Thank You** to all involved in helping to make the Sausage Sizzler an enjoyable, social event. Many hands make light work; everyone's help was much appreciated. Best wishes, Pauline X.

**Fund raiser for St Leonard's Hospice, York:** They're a cause close to my heart, they do wonderful work, we never know when we might need their care. I am taking part in a 200km (124.247 mile) bike ride. The task has to be completed by the **end of September '26**. Every penny counts and donations go straight to the charity. Your support would be greatly appreciated. Just click on the link below to donate, thank you very much. Best wishes Pauline Goudy [https://page.justgiving.com/fundraising-heroes?pageId=JG\\_54296641](https://page.justgiving.com/fundraising-heroes?pageId=JG_54296641)

**SVP online information sessions:** If you would like to learn more about the work of the SVP or how to become a member, then please join us for a Zoom information session on one of the following dates: **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October** morning 11 a.m. – 12 noon, **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October** evening 7 p.m. – 8p.m., **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October** afternoon 4p.m.-5p.m. To receive a link please email Patricia Nobbs: [presidentc13@svp.org.uk](mailto:presidentc13@svp.org.uk) with the date and time you prefer. See September's Voice pg 11 for more details.

**Family Retreat Day:** Families are warmly invited to an All Saints Family Retreat at St Paulinus Church, Guisborough, on **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November** from 12.00pm to 3.30pm. The afternoon will include family prayer, activities for children, sessions for parents, refreshments and time together as families. Please bring a picnic lunch. To book, email [adultformation@rcdmidd.org.uk](mailto:adultformation@rcdmidd.org.uk).

**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 **25<sup>th</sup> 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.humandevelopment.va/en/magnifica-humanitas.html>.

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**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September** for inclusion in the next edition.

**HAVE A BLESSED WEEK**