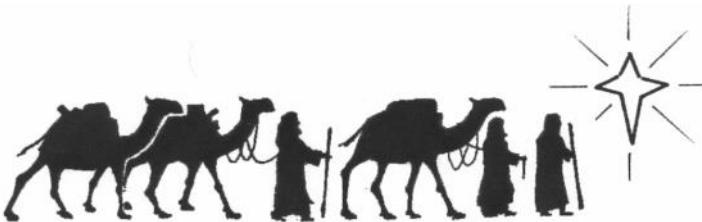


EPIPHANY 1/ The Baptism of Christ

ALL AGE WORSHIP

Welcome to St Katharine's Church today



READINGS AND PRAYERS

THE COLLECT

Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

READING: Isaiah 42. Verses 1-9

"Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations. He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. A bruised reed he will not break, and a smouldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his teaching the islands will put their hope."

This is what God the Lord says - the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out, who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it, who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it: "I, the Lord, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness. "I am the Lord; that is my name! I will not yield my glory to another or my praise to idols. See, the former things have taken place, and new things I declare; before they spring into being I announce them to you."

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 3. Verses 13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfil all righteousness." Then John consented. As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."



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SERVICES AT ST KATHARINE'S THIS WEEK

Monday 9.00am Wiggle Worship

Tuesday 9.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 18th January 2026 - Epiphany 2

Start of Week of Christian Unity - Until 25th

11.00am The Parish Eucharist and Sunday School

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Today's Hymns - Sunday 11th January

748 O Jesus I have promised

787 Take my life and let it be

510 Will you come and follow me

757 One more step along the world I go

Home Communion

If you are unable to get to a service at St Katharine's and would like to receive communion at home, please get in touch with Revd Angela, or the churchwardens.

And please get in touch if you would like a visit from either the clergy or one of our team of licensed Lay Eucharistic ministers.

Fire Action



Raise the alarm



Leave the building by the nearest exit



Report to assembly point

CAR PARK

What's on

PRAYERS

For those who are sick:

Sheila Edwards, Rachel Lowe, Josie Woods
Pat Morris, Brian Inglis, Steven Hyatt,
Annie Shaw, Lauren Reid, John Green
Damian McCabe, Margaret Martinez

Pray for all those with Covid to make a full recovery.

For those who have died:

Stephen Sumner, David Nightingale
Graham Atherton
Margaret Pomfret

(Funeral on Tuesday 27th January at 1pm)

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Let us know? If anyone is aware of someone sick or in hospital, wishing to be included on the Prayer List, please notify the Vicar, or the Churchwardens.

Please ensure you have the permission of the person, or their family, before asking for their name to be added. Thank you.

Please Pray for Ukraine

Afternoon Matinee

Wednesday 14th January at 1.30pm
(Doors open 1pm)

Showing: "A Haunting in Venice

Directed by and starring Kenneth Branagh (2023)
£3 for refreshments. All welcome
No need to book- just come along.

LADIES WHO LUNCH

Wednesday 21st January @ 12 noon
At Goose & Gander, Blackrod

Contact Janet 07514041611 to book a place.

Kitchen Angel required for Wiggle Worship!

The Wiggle team are looking for a new recruit to help at Wiggle Worship each Monday 8.30 - 12pm (during term time). Duties include making toast and drinks. It's a lovely atmosphere in church on Mondays and we would really appreciate some extra help! Thank you.

If you wish to make a donation to support St Katharine's, you can use this QR code. Thank you.



SAFEGUARDING

As part of the Manchester Diocese, St Katharine's Church follows the safeguarding guidelines, the national legal and procedural framework for the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, and the Church of England policy and practice.

Safeguarding Officer: Janet Hollick 07514041611

Coffee Morning

St Katharine's Church
Saturday 17th January
10am to 12 noon

Brew & Toast & Prize Raffle!



All Welcome

Blackrod Community Choir sing 10-11am



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All Sorts, all Subjects
Paperback & Hardback
And Jigsaws!

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St Katharine's PCC

Next meeting of the PCC will be on Monday 12th January at 7pm. Items of "Any Other Business" should be notified at least 24 hours before the meeting. Thank you.

Messy Church

Saturday 31st January 3.45-6pm

Fun, Crafts, Food

All welcome. All free!

Children under 16 years must be accompanied by an adult.

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Time Out for the Ladies

Take some time to recharge with an evening of friendship and laughter with the girls. No agenda, just chat over refreshments and a chance to make new friends.

Thursday 22nd January 8pm-10pm £5