



St Katharine, Blackrod ~ Sunday 10th May 2026

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Parish Eucharist

Welcome to St Katharine's Church today



READINGS AND PRAYERS



Christian Aid Week
10th – 16th May 2026

The theme for Christian Aid Week 2026 is
"Faithful Action"....

.... focusing on God's faithfulness and how it inspires actions to overcome poverty and climate-driven hunger.

The plan for Blackrod's fund raising this year is:

- 1) Deliver only gift envelopes, will be delivered round the village, with various drop off points identified on the back of the on the envelopes.

Look out for the little red envelope coming through your letterbox.

- 2) Car boot sales.

Please give generously if you can.

Thank you.

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Monday: 9.00am Wiggle Worship today

Tuesday 9.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 17th May: Easter 7

**11.00am Service of the Word
and Sunday School**

Today's Hymns - Sunday 10th May

704 Let all the world in every corner sing

805 There is a Redeemer

748 O Jesus I have promised

510 Will you come and follow me?

Ignite Youth: Saturday 16th May at St John, Wingates

7pm to 8.30pm. The sessions are for Year 6 & up and will include activities, food and games.

RSVP igniteyouthwesthoughton@gmail.com

St Katharine's Church
Registered Charity No: 1144084

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READING Acts 17. Verses 22 to 31

Paul preaches in Athens

Paul stood up in front of the city council and said, "I see that in every way you Athenians are very religious. For as I walked through your city and looked at the places where you worship, I found an altar on which is written, 'To an Unknown God.' That which you worship, then, even though you do not know it, is what I now proclaim to you. God, who made the world and everything in it, is Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples made by human hands. Nor does he need anything that we can supply by working for him, since it is he himself who gives life and breath and everything else to everyone. From one human being he created all races of people and made them live throughout the whole earth. He himself fixed beforehand the exact times and the limits of the places where they would live. He did this so that they would look for him, and perhaps find him as they felt around for him. Yet God is actually not far from any one of us; as someone has said,

'In him we live and move and exist.'

It is as some of your poets have said,

'We too are his children.'

Since we are God's children, we should not suppose that his nature is anything like an image of gold or silver or stone, shaped by human art and skill. God has overlooked the times when people did not know him, but now he commands all of them everywhere to turn away from their evil ways. For he has fixed a day in which he will judge the whole world with justice by means of a man he has chosen. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising that man from death!"

GOSPEL READING John 14. Verses 15 to 21

Jesus promises the Holy Spirit

"If you love me, you will obey my commandments. I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, who will stay with you forever. He is the Spirit, who reveals the truth about God. The world cannot receive him, because it cannot see him or know him. But you know him, because he remains with you and is in you.

"When I go, you will not be left all alone; I will come back to you. In a little while the world will see me no more, but you will see me; and because I live, you also will live. When that day comes, you will know that I am in my Father and that you are in me, just as I am in you.

"Those who accept my commandments and obey them are the ones who love me. My Father will love those who love me; I too will love them and reveal myself to them."

What's on

PRAYERS

For those who are sick:

**Rachel Lowe, Pat Morris, Brian Inglis
John Green, Damian McCabe, Margaret Martinez
David Ratcliffe, Marlene Atherton, Andrew Stott
Joan Harrison**

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

For those who have died:

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Margaret Smith

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.

Please Pray for Ukraine

MISSION COMMUNITY ASCENSION DAY SERVICES

Thursday 14th May 2026

10.30am at St John, Wingates

7.30pm at Rivington Church

7.30pm at Lostock, St Thomas & St John

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.

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

Fire Action



Raise the alarm



Leave the building by the nearest exit



Report to assembly point

CAR PARK



May Blossoms!



Plant Sale

Saturday 23rd May 2026

10am to 1pm

**At St Katharine's Church
Blackrod**

**Hanging Baskets & Bedding Plants
All nursery grown**

**Refreshments available
Prize Raffle**

Supporting St Katharine's Church



**LADIES WHO LUNCH
Wednesday 20th May 2026
At The Owls, Standish,
12 noon**

If you wish to join in please contact Jean on 01204 691575 to book a place.

There will also be a men's table.

**Afternoon Matinee
Showing: "Enchanted April"**



**Starring Joan Plowright, Josie Lawrence,
Miranda Richardson, Polly Walker (1991)**

Wednesday 13th May

Film starts at 1.30 pm (doors open at 1.00 pm)

Light refreshments - £3.00

No need to book - just come along