

St. Mary's, Waterloo Park

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19th July

**The Seventh Sunday after Trinity
Sunday and Weekday Service**

Welcome!

The Collect

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymns

349 Immortal, invisible

87 Breathe on me, breath of God

38 And now, O Father, mindful of the love

201 Forth in thy name, O Lord I go

First Reading, *Wisdom of Solomon 12.13, 16-19*

For neither is there any god besides you, whose care is for all people, to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly; For your strength is the source of righteousness, and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all. For you show your strength when people doubt the completeness of your power, and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it. Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us; for you have power to act whenever you choose. Through such works you have taught

your people that the righteous must be kind, and you have filled your children with good hope, because you give repentance for sins.

Second Reading, *Romans 8.12-25*

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh - for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ - if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Gospel, *Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43*

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done

this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

Post Communion

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Intercessions

The World: For peace in all areas of conflict in the world. For those affected by fires, floods and earthquakes. For emergency workers working in disaster areas. For refugees, asylum seekers and agencies that help them. For good stewardship of the earth and its resources.

The Church: The unity of all Christians everywhere. Archbishops Stephen and Sarah, Bishop Ruth, Bishop Simon, Archdeacon Pete. Churches in the South Sefton Deanery, and local ecumenical partners.

The Diocese: St John Knotty Ash, Schools: Knotty Ash Primary, Clifford Holroyd SEN College, St Mary West Derby, Schools: St Mary & St Paul Primary, Blackmoor Park Primary, St Christopher Norris Green, Schools: Monkstown Primary, Broad Square Primary, St John Tuebrook, Schools: Lister Primary, West Derby Comprehensive, Holy Spirit Dovecot, Schools: Dovecot Primary, Blueberry Park Primary, St Cuthbert Croxteth Par, Emmaus CE/RC Primary School.

The recently departed: Ann Widdecombe, Amanda Simpson.

For those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit: Hewie, Graham Forrest, Olga Gregor, Jess Farrell, Edith Keeton, Joy Billington, Revd. Gregor Cuff, Vic Mungur.

For the departed remembered at this time: Agnes Norwell, Violet Bellamy, Stanley Hulme, Annie Doherty, Dr. Gil Taylor, Ben Hendry, Arthur De-Kusel, Hilda Watson, George & Emily Williams.

Notices

- **Monthly Rosary and Our Lady of Walsingham Group Meetings:** These will resume in September – further details to follow.

Services at St Mary's	
This Sunday 10:00am, Eucharist The Seventh Sunday after Trinity	Louis Johnson Iona Morphet
Monday-Thursday, 4.30pm Evening Prayer:	
Wednesday, 10:30am Eucharist	Janet Bissex
Next Sunday 10:00am, Eucharist	Peter Walker

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity	
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SHAPE THE FUTURE OF OUR NEW PARISH

Your voice matters in Fit for Mission

Join the Support Services Oversight Team!

By joining the **Support Services Oversight Team**, you will help **shape how our new parish works** and ensure resources are used **wisely and fairly** by representing your church and community to **support mission** and ministry across the deanery.

This will be done through **prayerful decision making** to put together a proposal on how the Support Services Team, a centralised admin office that will alleviate burden from clergy and laity, should operate.



WE'RE LOOKING FOR PEOPLE WHO:

- **care** about the future of their church
- want to make sure their **community is heard**
- can **think constructively** and **work collaboratively**
- are open to learning and prayerful discernment
- want to help build a **fair, sustainable parish** for everyone

**Learn more at our Support Services Workshop:
July 25th at St Michaels Church, Blundlesands,
L23 8SP, 10am-12pm**

If you have any questions in the meantime, get in touch with georgina.abram@liverpool.anglican.org