



St Katharine, Blackrod ~ Sunday 19th July 2026

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

THE PARISH EUCHARIST

Welcome to St Katharine's Church today



READINGS AND PRAYERS

WELCOME BACK to Revd Angela today!

COLLECT

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST READING Isaiah 44. Verses 6-8

Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be. Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

PSALM 86. Verses 11-end

Response: All nations you have made shall come and worship you, O Lord.

Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth; knit my heart to you, that I may fear your name. I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart, and glorify your name for evermore; For great is your steadfast love towards me, for you have delivered my soul from the depths of the grave.

Response..... O God, the proud rise up against me and a ruthless horde seek after my life; they have not set you before their eyes. But you, Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and full of kindness and truth.

Response..... Turn to me and have mercy upon me; give your strength to your servant and save the child of your handmaid. Show me a token of your favour, that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed; because you, O Lord, have helped and comforted me.

Response....

SECOND READING Romans 8. Verses 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 READING 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!

PRAYER AFTER 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. Amen.

What's on

PRAYERS

For those who are sick:

Rachel Lowe, Pat Morris, Brian Inglis

John Beech, Malcolm Goring

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

For those who have died:

Paul Dickinson

(Funeral at St Katharine's, Wednesday 29th July, 12noon)

John Dixon Kay, Curtis Jackson

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Helen Dagger, Gerry Kay

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



Messy Church

Saturday 25th July - 3.45-6pm

Fun, Crafts, Food

All welcome. All free!

Children under 16 years must be accompanied by an adult.

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Boxes are due to be emptied this month. If you have a collecting box please bring it to church and leave in the office. Thank you for your donations.

HARVEST FESTIVAL 2026 and Harvest Charity Collection

Each year at St Katharine's we organise a collection to support a Charity of your choice. This time it is for an "Away" charity – in another country, anywhere in the world. We have not yet received any suggestions.

Please let us know if you wish to recommend a charity. If we do not hear from you, the PCC will make the choice. Thank you.

Harvest Festival: Sunday 4th October @11am

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



St Katharine's Church
Registered Charity No: 1144084

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Tuesday: 9.30am Holy Communion

Saturday: 3.45pm Messy Church (until 6pm)

Sunday 26th July: TRINITY 8

11.00am The Parish Eucharist and Sunday School

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Today's Hymns - Sunday 19th July

721 Love divine, all loves excelling

755 Oft in anger, oft in woe

691 Jesus shall reign where're the sun

654 Hark, my soul, it is the Lord

358 Be still, for the presence of the Lord

384 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

THE NEXT PCC MEETING will be on Monday 27th July at 7pm. Items of "Any other Business" should be given in at least 24 hours before the meeting. Thank you.

Home Communion If you are unable to go to a service at St Katharine's and would like to receive communion at home, please get in touch. And please get in touch if you would like a visit from the clergy or one of the team of licensed Lay Eucharistic Assistants.

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

Fire Action



Raise the alarm



Leave the building by the nearest exit



Report to assembly point

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