

Sanctuary Light Dedication

This week's Sanctuary Light
has been dedicated
'In Memory of Fred Whittingham'



FOR OUR PRAYERS

SICK: Barry Tootill, Joan Joyce,
Hazel Robinson, Harry Mullen,
Brian Schofield, Viv Webb, Laura Devall,
Nicola Selby, Nancy Birtwhistle, Ann Nield;
All in nursing homes, care homes or
hospices; We also pray for anyone who is
awaiting test results.



RIP: Eunice Scholes;
19th - Thomas Cheetham,
William Sweetman;
20th - George Horrocks, Eli Newport;
22nd - Gerard Young, Anne Ogden;
23rd - Edward Donaldson, Lucy Tattersall,
Joan Milner;
24th - Edna Clegg, Maureen Flint

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If you have an item that you wish to be added to the
pew sheet, please email the relevant information by
6:00pm on Thursday to:
helencrabtree.church@gmail.com

 www.facebook.com/ChaddertonChurch
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Registered charity Number: 1143492

July 200 Club Winners

1st	£79	Andrew Costello	52
2nd	£47.40	J Schofield	49
3rd	£15.80	J Adams	1

Following feedback to not detract from our
Sunday worship, the monthly draw was
this month undertaken in church after the
service.

If you or your family/neighbours would
like to join our 200 Club monthly prize
draw for just £4 a month (to be paid by
standing order) and support the work of
your church, please request a joining form
from StMatthews200Club@gmail.com
Alternatively, please speak to
Margaret Hughes or Neville Barker.

Welcome to St Matthew and St Luke, Chadderton

*"Living out our call to share the
Gospel in Faith, Hope and Love"*

19th July 2026
7th Sunday after Trinity
HYMNS

58, 144, 413, 334, Screen, 1, 74

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sunday, 19th

9:00am Choral Eucharist

Tuesday, 21st

9:30am Parent & Toddler

12:30pm Luncheon Club

2:00pm Drop In

Wednesday, 22nd

12noon Funeral of
Eunice Scholes

Thursday, 23rd

6:00pm All Age Service
7:15pm Choir Practice

Eunice Scholes

Eunice's funeral will be held in church on
Wednesday, 22nd July at 12 noon,
followed by cremation at Hollinwood
Crematorium.

First Reading

Isaiah 44. 6-8

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

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.

Second Reading

Romans 8. 12-25

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans.

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

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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.

Revd Liz's Pilgrimage

If you're not following Liz's progress on Facebook, look out for the email (to be sent out soon) showing the link to access this week's newsletter. Thank you to everyone who has already donated money towards **St Matthew's church funds** and also for **Dr Kershaw's Hospice**. If you would like to donate and haven't already done so there is still time. Please use the Pilgrimage envelopes in the narthex. Thank you.

