



St Katharine, Blackrod, Sunday 13th September 2026

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

All Age Worship

Welcome to St Katharine's Church today



READINGS AND PRAYERS

THE COLLECT

Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

READING Psalm 103. Verses 8-13

The Lord is merciful and loving,
slow to become angry and full of constant love.
He does not keep on rebuking;
he is not angry forever.
He does not punish us as we deserve
or repay us according to our sins and wrongs.
As high as the sky is above the earth,
so great is his love for those who honour him.
As far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our sins from us.
As a father is kind to his children,
so the Lord is kind to those who honour him.

GOSPEL READING Matthew 18. 21-35

The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, if my brother keeps on sinning against me, how many times do I have to forgive him? Seven times?" "No, not seven times," answered Jesus, "but seventy times seven, because the Kingdom of heaven is like this.

Once there was a king who decided to check on his servants' accounts. He had just begun to do so when one of them was brought in who owed him millions of dollars. The servant did not have enough to pay his debt, so the king ordered him to be sold as a slave, with his wife and his children and all that he had, in order to pay the debt. The servant fell on his knees before the king. 'Be patient with me,' he begged, 'and I will pay you everything!' The king felt sorry for him, so he forgave him the debt and let him go.

"Then the man went out and met one of his fellow servants who owed him a few dollars. He grabbed him and started choking him. 'Pay back what you owe me!' he said. His fellow servant fell down and begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back!' But he refused; instead, he had him thrown into jail until he should pay the debt.

When the other servants saw what had happened, they were very upset and went to the king and told him everything. So he called the servant in. 'You worthless slave!' he said. 'I forgave you the whole amount you owed me, just because you asked me to. You should have had mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you.'

The king was very angry, and he sent the servant to jail to be punished until he should pay back the whole amount."

And Jesus concluded, "That is how my Father in heaven will treat every one of you unless you forgive your brother from your heart."

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Today: 11.30am
Holy Baptism - Rory Samuel Hollingsworth

Tuesday: 9.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 20th September:

TRINITY 16

11.00am The Parish Eucharist and Sunday School

Today's Hymns

Sunday 13th September

42 Christ be our Light

388 Speak O Lord

721 Love Divine

638 Give me joy

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Fire Action



Raise the alarm



Leave the building by the nearest exit



Report to assembly point

CAR PARK

What's on

Election of Churchwardens - Result

The Vestry Meeting was held in church on Monday 7th September. There was no need for an election as one nomination was received and Margaret Sumner was duly appointed as Churchwarden. Thank you to everyone who attended.

Please keep Margaret in your prayers as she commences her term of office to serve St Katharine's Church as Churchwarden.

PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers,
Rory Samuel Hollingsworth,
to be baptised at St Katharine's today.

For those who are sick:

**Rachel Lowe, Pat Morris, Brian Inglis
John Beech, Malcolm Goring, Sally Ross**

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

For those who have died:

**Gillian Harris, Marjorie Haydock
Margaret Mason**

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

**Alan Wolstencroft, Bernard Jones, Jack Rutter,
Nina-Jayne Birley, Gavin Banks**

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

Coffee Morning

St Katharine's Church

Saturday 19th September

10am to 12 noon

Brew & Toast & Prize Raffle!

BOOKS & JIGSAWS

Paperbacks - £1 each

Jigsaws - all sorts!



**All
Welcome**

Supporting St Katharine's Church, Blackrod

St Katharine's Church



baby and toddler group

Mondays in term time

9am - 11.15am

Suitable for preschool children

**Stories,
songs and dance,
nursery rhymes,
free play and
refreshments**



Messy Church

Saturday 26th September

3.45-6pm

Fun, Crafts, Food

All welcome. All free!

Children under 16 years must be accompanied by an adult.

IGNITE YOUTH

For Year 6 and above

Saturday 26th September 6-7.30pm

Activities, food and games

RSVP or any questions to:

igniteyouthwesthoughton@gmail.com

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Revd Angela is raising money for Bolton Hospice, see the Justgiving page and support her efforts if you can.

The total so far after 11 days is **109,872** steps.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/angela1786720403936/>

Good luck Angela. Watch out for weekly updates!

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.

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