
Sunday 20th September 2020 (Trinity 15)

The Collect

Guard your church, Lord God, with your continual mercy, and because in our frailty we cannot stand without you, keep us from all that may harm, and lead us to all that makes for our salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Johns Knutsford

Both churches open today for the first time, but we also have a joint service which will be broadcast at 10.15am on YouTube.

Our URL is

<https://www.youtube.com/stjohnsknutsford>

Everyone is invited to the Zoom after-service coffee-time at 11.30. Please note the change of time! Email the office for the log-in details if you haven't received them.

Our current online services last about 45 minutes.

St Johns Toft

Please join St Johns Knutsford on YouTube at 10.15 for our joint service.

In the middle of a crisis? Sick? In need? Not sure what to do next? We have friends in Knutsford & Toft you can talk to. Call our Vicar Nigel (01565 632834) or our pastoral team leader Anne (07436 112305)

01565 755160

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Toft Twitter @StJohnsToft

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Days off: Fridays: Helen; Saturdays: Nigel; Tom; Hannah:

Mon

21st

Sept

Pray that politicians and others may be motivated to persevere with working out how to protect our planet and all life forms on it.

Tue

22nd

Sept

2pm Toft Fellowship on Zoom

Praise God that he knows everything about us, and that we don't have to pretend anything. Praise him that we can reflect on the positive aspects of our lives, and for the peace he gives us when we do.

Wed

23rd

Sept

Pray for countries where the people are dying from starvation, due to adverse weather conditions and poor government. Praise God for the charities working hard to bring food, medicine and God's word to those lands.

Thu

24th

Sept

Praise God for the people in our lives who bless us, sometimes unknowingly, through acts of kindness, grace and sacrifice.

Fri

25th

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Pray that God will open a door for Christians to be able to leave countries of persecution, and find healing and hope in new surroundings.

Sat

26th

Sept

Praise God for all those who strive to preserve the sanctity of life, and pray for the unborn whose lives may be in danger.

Sunday 27th September (Trinity 16)

Knutsford Live service and
From Joint YouTube service
10.15am

Toft Live service and
From Joint YouTube service
10.15am

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

REOPENING THE CHURCH

We start 10.15 services again today. Due to Covid, you need to book in advance by either phoning or emailing the office. Because of social distancing we can have a maximum of 50 people, and so booking is essential. Please phone 01565 755160 between 9am and 12.30pm, Monday to Thursday, or email:

office@stjohnsknutsford.org.uk Please give your phone number each time as well as the number of people you are booking for. Booking closes on Thursdays.

YOUTH SOCIAL

If you are in Yr6-Yr13 then you are invited to come along to the first youth social event of the year. Join us for bowling at Atlantic Bowl, Altrincham on Sunday 27th September at 3pm. For more information or to confirm your child's place please get in touch (hannah.dobson@stjohnsknutsford.org.uk). Looking forward to seeing you there, Hannah!

KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH SERMONS

Are you a member of SJK or Toft but don't have access to YouTube? We have a facility to offer if you would like to listen to sermons on your phone. While lockdown continues, you can ring 01565 743743, at any time, for the cost of a local phone call, and listen to the sermons that Nigel has preached since lockdown began. They are added to each week. There are clear instructions at the beginning to tell you what to do. If you would prefer a DVD of the whole service, please contact the office, as we produce them too. They are being distributed to church family and local care homes on request. Thank you to the people who are involved in enabling these initiatives. Sermons are, of course, still available on the church website and as podcasts.

HOPE CENTRAL

The red bins need filling! Current priorities are: jam, tinned hotdogs and tinned beef and chicken. There is a constant need for biscuits, chocolate biscuit bars, cordials, tinned vegetables, tomato puree, tinned potatoes, instant potato packets, tinned pasta, tinned corned beef, tinned fruit, long-life desserts, small bags of flour, Nutella, peanut butter, tinned pulses (kidney beans, chickpeas, lentils etc.) Thank you to everyone who continues to donate

so generously. Some of the food delivery team have been able to return to work, so the team is a little depleted. If you have a spare hour or so that you could use to deliver food, please let Ian Robertson know: 07711989123 or ianoap@virginmedia.com

WOOD STREET MISSION

Wood Street Mission are currently unable to accept donations, and are running a Crisis Service to help underprivileged families quickly during Lockdown with what they need for their children. The impact of Lockdown continues to hit low income families the hardest and demand for help is increasing. Wood Street Mission need our help to meet this need and also in running their Books Forever project and Smartstart for schoolchildren. Details of these projects can be found at <https://www.woodstreetmission.org.uk/> along with the facility to donate online. Wood Street Mission have also set up an Amazon Wish List with items needed for Family Basics. However, if you have donations of children's clothing, age 3+, Rachel Sampson has kindly offered to store them until collections resume. Please contact the office for her phone number. Thank you for your support.

CB and JMC

CAFÉ REOPENING

We rejoice that the Church Hill Café has now opened. Due to Covid there are several changes. It is open from 10 until 2pm, and you need to wait to be seated, after having given your contact details. Table service only, and only card payments; take-away orders can be made if you phone the office before 12.30pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

CHURCH OFFICE

The office is open again from 9 to 12.30 every weekday, but in the interests of everyone's health, any conversations will need to take place in the church, or the church centre, to enable social distancing. Please bear this in mind if you need to visit the office.