

Sunday 15th November 2020 (Trinity 23)

The Collect

Lord God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of your church and grant that what we ask for in faith we may surely obtain, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Johns Knutsford and Toft

The King saves the World

Led by: Helen Eccles Preacher: Tom Hollingsbee
Mark 7: 24- 8:21

Our live-streamed service is 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 **11.45**. Email the office for the log-in details if you haven't received them.

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 Associate Vicar Tom (01565 755160 or 01565 631606)

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Days off: Fridays: Helen & Tom; Saturdays: Nigel.

Mon | 1.00pm Funeral at SJK for Sue Aspinall
16th (invitation only)
Nov

Pray for the family and friends of Sue Aspinall, that they may be comforted in their loss.

Tue | 2pm Toft Fellowship on Zoom
17th 7.45pm Service Station via Zoom
Nov

Praise God for our education system, and pray for the 60 million children worldwide who have no access to learning.

Wed | 2.00pm Funeral at Vale Royal for Doris
18th Baynes (invitation only)
Nov

Pray for the family and friends of Doris Baynes, that they may be comforted in their loss.

Thu | Youth Group Bible Studies via
19th Zoom
Nov

Praise God that he is a generous provider, and pray we will share what we have with abundant generosity to those in need.

Fri
20th
Nov

Pray for our children, that God will bless all projects seeking to help them to flourish.

Sat
21st
Nov

Praise God for all those working to develop a Covid vaccine, and pray their work may be rigorous, effective and safe.

Sunday 22nd November (Sunday before Advent)

Knutsford YouTube Service
10.15am

and
Toft YouTube service
10.15am

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

LIVESTREAMING FROM SJK

From Sunday 1st November the 10.15 Service at St Johns Knutsford will be live streamed to YouTube in place of the pre-recorded service. For the next 4 weeks this will be the service for both churches. Until lockdown restrictions are eased we are unable to worship in church.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Open Doors, along with other Christian charities, have arranged a webinar to pray for the persecuted church on Sunday evening (15th November) 7.30-8.30. If you would like to be involved, click on this link:

<http://opendoorsuk.org/idop> where you can register.

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. 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.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE

Due to the new restrictions, we are still a drop-off location for Operation Christmas Child, but now shoeboxes will be collected early December. If you wish to fill a shoe box, leaflets are available in the office. You may prefer to do this online this year (www.samaritanspurse.org.uk, and click on Operation Christmas Child) but feel free to do it the traditional way if you prefer. Please bring your filled boxes during café opening hours and put them in the boxes which will be in the church the week beginning 6th December. All boxes need to be here by Sunday 13th December in order to be collected.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

A huge THANK YOU to all the box holders who helped to raise £300 for the Children's Society. I have just received a letter of thanks from the Society who are so very grateful. If anyone would like to add to this amount it would be very much

appreciated. Or indeed have a box in their home to collect loose change? The Children's Society, like many other charities, is really struggling. Since the beginning of the pandemic the Knutsford Committee have missed 3 Children's Society lunches which would have raised between £4,000 - £5,000. If you would like to help in any way, please contact me by email:

valerie.brooker@hotmail.co.uk or 01565 650374
Thank you all for your help and support. Val

HOPE CENTRAL

Please keep your contributions coming of non-perishable goods, as more and more people are needing the support which Hope Central can provide. Your generosity is much appreciated. The red bin is outside the church centre door every weekday morning.

SERVICE STATION

It's not too late to join our weekly Service Station meeting on Tuesdays at 7.45pm, via Zoom. We'd love to see you! Contact the office for further details.

DORIS BAYNES

Doris Baynes, a long-standing member of our congregation, passed away peacefully at Tabley House on Tuesday 3rd November. The funeral will be this Wednesday, 18th November at 2pm for invited guests. To watch at home, go to <https://www.obitus.com/>, username Hezu2957, password 647796. The service will only be available 5 minutes before the funeral starts, but it is recommended that you try it out earlier to ensure a connection. It will be available for later viewing for about a month.

HARRY TOULMAN

Harry, Anne Evans' and Adele Toulman's Dad, passed away on Tuesday 3rd November. His funeral will be on Friday 27th November at Altrincham Crematorium at 2.30pm, for invited guests. A link will be made available nearer the time for people to watch at home.

SUE ASPINALL

Sue passed away peacefully at East Cheshire Hospice on Sunday 1st November. Her funeral will be at Vale Royal Crematorium tomorrow, Monday 16th November at 12 noon, followed by a service at St Johns Knutsford at 1pm, both of which will be for invited guests only. Donations are welcomed for East Cheshire Hospice and St Johns Knutsford.