

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022**  
**Sunday after Ascension Day**

O God, the King of glory, who exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven, do not leave us desolate, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ has gone before, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever. Amen

**St Johns Knutsford**

<b>8.45am</b> Led by: Tom Hollingsbee Isaiah 25: 1-12 (p586)	<b>Holy Communion</b> Preacher: Tom Hollingsbee 1 Corinthians 15:50-58 (p962)
<b>10.15am</b> Led by: Helen Eccles	<b>Morning Service</b> Preacher: Tom Hollingsbee
<b>6.30pm</b> Leader: Tom Hollingsbee	<b>Evening Service</b> Speaker: Dan Young Psalm 124 (p517)

**St John's Toft**

<b>10.15am</b> Led by: Thain Flowers Psalm 125 (p623)	<b>Morning Prayer (BCP)</b> Preacher: Nigel Atkinson 1 Corinthians 10:1-5 (p1151)
---	---

**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)

01565 755160  
office@stjohnsknutsford.org.uk  
www.stjohnsknutsford.org  
Toft Twitter @StJohnsToft  
Knutsford Twitter @knutsfordstjohn

**Days off:** Fridays: Helen, Hannah & Tom; Saturdays: Nigel.

<b>Mon</b> 30 <sup>th</sup> May	7.30pm	CAFÉ CLOSED ALL WEEK Choir rehearsal (church)
---------------------------------------	--------	--

Praise God for opportunities to rest, recuperate and relax. Pray for peace and protection for those struggling today.

<b>Tue</b> 31 <sup>st</sup> May	7.30pm 8pm	Toft Fellowship (Zoom) Tatton Singers (church)
---------------------------------------	---------------	---

Pray for major solutions to be found for staff shortages and long waiting times in the NHS.

<b>Wed</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> June		
---------------------------------------	--	--

Praise God for the proclamation of the gospel in our churches, and for sustaining His church every day.

<b>Thu</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	9.45pm	JUBILEE BANK HOLIDAY Bell ringing
---------------------------------------	--------	--------------------------------------

Praise God for our Queen and her steadfast service, faith and integrity, and pray she may continue to inspire and encourage people in all walks of life.

<b>Fri</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	3pm 7pm	JUBILEE BANK HOLIDAY Bell ringing Concert for Ukraine (church)
---------------------------------------	------------	--

Pray for people who do vital but unpleasant tasks to support the community, yet are often overlooked.

<b>Sat</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> June		
---------------------------------------	--	--

Praise God for all the Platinum Jubilee celebrations happening this week, and pray they may be happy, peaceful and safe.

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June Pentecost**

<b>Knutsford</b>	8.45 am	Holy Communion
	10.15am	Morning Worship
	6.30pm	Evening Service
<b>Toft</b>	10.15am	Morning Worship

Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His love endures forever. I will sing and make melody with all my being!

## SERMONS

Knutsford morning sermons can now be found on YouTube on the day after recording on our URL:

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

## HOPE CENTRAL

Hope Central has current need of pot noodles, tinned pasta, tinned sweetcorn, tinned carrots, microwave rice, small packs of rice and tinned meat (not spam). Thank you for your continued generosity. Financial contributions are also very welcome, both to buy food and to enable the development of other support services we offer. If you'd like to donate to our work, please visit [www.hopecentral.org.uk](http://www.hopecentral.org.uk) and click the Donate button.

## GREETINGS CARDS

There is a selection of charity greetings cards available in the church centre, 40p each or 3 for £1.00. If you have used cards that you wish to dispose of, please bring them to the church office and Chris will pass them on so they can be recycled into new ones (but no Christmas ones, please!)

## MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUP

A new fortnightly Men's Discipleship Group has started. It's an informal chance to get to know one another, take a look at the scriptures together and pray for one another as we walk through life together. If you're interested in coming, chat to Tom or let Chris in the church office know. We'd love a diverse and varied group so do come and join us. The next meeting is Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 8pm, in church.

## RICHARD REEVE - ORDINATION AS DEACON

If you would like to attend Richard's ordination at Chester Cathedral on 3rd July at 10.30am, please book using this link: <https://chestercathedral.ticketsolve.com/shows/1173623398/events> There you will need to use the following promotional code in order to checkout: **deaconsaccess**. Guests will be asked for an email address to which their ticket will be sent. The Cathedral will later contact guests via that address to provide an Order of Service.

## THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June are bank holidays, so the church office will be closed. The notice

sheet will go out on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June, so please send in any notices before then. Thankyou!

## BELL-RINGING FOR THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, our Church bells will be rung at 9.45pm by our own bellringers to coincide with the lighting of the beacon on the Barncroft.

On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, at 3.00pm a team of eight bellringers from various churches in the diocese will visit St. John's to ring a quarter peal of "Grandsire Triples."

"Grandsire" is an ancient system of change ringing dating back to 1650 and is considered to be quite appropriate for a "Royal" occasion, because of its musical and rhythmical content.

## PUBLIC ENQUIRY

We are hosting a public enquiry 21-22 June at 10am in the church centre about a new footpath possibly linking King Street to Old Market Place car park. A map is available in the church centre along with further information if you are interested.

## BRING AND SHARE LUNCH

There are still a few plates left in the church centre entrance, please claim yours, or they will disappear this week!

## FREE PLANTS

There are a few spider plants in the office, that have been potted on from the main one. Free to a good home!

## CORNERSTONE COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to everyone who came to the Cornerstone Coffee Morning or contributed in any way. We have been able to send £1,332.05 to both the Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child and Hope Central.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Concert in aid of Ukraine (church)
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Pentecost/Jubilee services
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Toft Fair
13 <sup>th</sup> June	Prayer meeting