

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2022**  
**Trinity 15**

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**

<b>8.45am</b> Led by: Nigel Atkinson	<b>Holy Communion</b> Preacher: Nigel Atkinson
<b>10.15am</b> Led by: John Lee Matthew 19: 13-22 (p824)	<b>Morning Worship</b> Preacher: Nigel Atkinson Galatians 2:11-21 (p973)
<b>6.30pm</b> Led by: Tom Hollingsbee	<b>Evening Service</b> Preacher: Nigel Atkinson Esther 3:1-17 (p411)

**St John's Toft**

<b>10.15am</b> Led by: Helen Eccles Esther 3:1-11(p503)	<b>Holy Communion and Thanksgiving</b> Preacher: Tom Hollingsbee Esther 4:1-4, 13-17 (p504)
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**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.

**GIVING TO OUR CHURCHES**

**SJK** account name: St Johns Knutsford Parochial Church Council; sort code: 20-53-77; account number: 5027 8548

**SJT** account name: Parochial Church Council of St John Toft; sort code: 16-22-27; account number 1213 7544.

<b>Mon</b> 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.30am 5.30 8.00pm	Staff Meeting Asylum seekers Rock Choir
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Pray for our politicians to be rooted in justice and righteousness in all their negotiations, at home and abroad.

<b>Tue</b> 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	2.00pm 7.30pm 8.00pm	Toft Fellowship (8, Fir Tree Ave) Toft Fellowship (Zoom) Tatton Singers (church)
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Praise God for those who speak up for the most vulnerable in our society, and pray their actions make a positive difference.

<b>Wed</b> 28 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.30am 10.30am 5.10pm 5.45pm	Women's Community Group (centre) Rock Choir (church) Residents meeting (Drop) Brownies (centre)
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Pray for those suffering under severe weather conditions in Pakistan, Afghanistan and elsewhere, that they may be given the support they need.

<b>Thu</b> 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00am 7.45pm	Oasis Youth Cells
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Praise God for our young people, and pray they may grow in faith and fellowship as they meet tonight.

<b>Fri</b> 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept
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Pray for our ministry team as they prepare for Sunday services, that the Holy Spirit will be seen in their lives and teaching.

<b>Sat</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	9.30am 12 noon	Lancashire Bellringers Charity event (centre)
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Praise God for the magnificent power, order and pattern of all He has made, and pray we may become better stewards of His bounty.

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October Trinity 16**

<b>Knutsford</b>	8.45 am 10.15am 6.30pm	Holy Communion Morning Worship Prayer Meeting
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<b>Toft</b>	10.15am	Morning Worship
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You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God: I will extol you.

## 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 semi-skimmed UHT milk, baked beans, biscuit bars, instant mash, microwave rice and tinned carrots. 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. Please ensure that all food donations are still in date. Also please note that Hope central can't accept clothing.

## SMALL GROUPS

Small groups (home groups) are a great way to help us grow and they've been an important part of Church family life for some time. In them we study God's word together, seek to encourage one another in our faith and support and pray for one another through life's ups and downs. As we plan for next year, we'd love to get an idea of how many people would like to be in a small group that aren't currently. If you are interested in joining one please do let Chris in the church office know.

## CLEANER NEEDED

SJK needs a cleaner to start at the end of November. It's a paid position with flexible hours.

Please contact Chris in the church office for further details.

## ALL AGE SERVICES at SJK

This term's all age services are planned to take place at 10.15 on 23<sup>rd</sup> October and 18<sup>th</sup> December (which will be a Family Carol Service).

## SALT & LIGHT IN EDUCATION

The Christian Institute has organised a meeting on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October from 7 to 10pm. The agenda includes: the LGBT movement and God's Word; what is going on in schools; Salt and Light: how parents can influence schools for good; Salt and Light and the family of God; a question and answer session and prayer. Details of the venue and booking arrangements are available from Chris in the office.

## KESWICK CONVENTION 2023

Have you thought about attending the 2023 Keswick Convention?

Each day, there is a morning Bible reading, an evening celebration and seminars. There are active programmes for children, youth and 19s-24s, Count

Everyone In programme for adults with learning disabilities (week 1), and, an Arts Stream, Keswick Unconventional (week 3). There's space every afternoon to enjoy all the Lake District has to offer. You will enjoy excellent Bible teaching, sung worship for heart and mind, explore contemporary issues through a Christian context and have fellowship with many other Christians who attend. Next year's theme is Grateful. Most people go to one of the three weeks between 15<sup>th</sup> July and 4<sup>th</sup> August. There's no charge to attend, as funding is through donations. All you need to do is book your accommodation and come along! All the details are on the website: [www.keswickministries.org](http://www.keswickministries.org)

## WOOD STREET MISSION

Rachel Sampson has kindly offered to be a collection point for children's clothes and books for Wood Street Mission. If you have any you'd like to donate, please leave them in the porch at 166 Grove Park.

## HELP NEEDED

We will need able-bodied people to help arrange chairs for bookings and services at SJK between 18<sup>th</sup> October and 10<sup>th</sup> November. If you could be part of the team to do this, please talk to Chris in the office.

## NORTHERN WOMEN'S CONVENTION: FROM FRUSTRATION TO FAITH: SAVE THE DATE!

This year's convention is focusing on Habakkuk, and will take place on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November at the King's House Conference Centre, Manchester. More details are available on their website, and we will have some flyers soon. If you are interested and would like to go in a group from St John's, please let Ann Hollingsbee know, or Chris in the office. Tickets are £15, or £12 for concessions. The speaker is Felicity Carswell.

## ACCOMMODATION NEEDED

Tetiana, our Ukrainian refugee works in the café, and her 11 year-old son, Pasha has just started at the Academy. They need a new home from the end of October. Please let Chris in the office know if you can help.

## OCTOBER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	Knutsford Council Climate Workshop (SJK)
8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Toft wedding: Jack Spelling & Felicity Crompton
9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	SJK baptism: Joshua Pegg
23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Cornerstone
26 <sup>th</sup> Oct	SJK wedding: Nicole Garoui & Marc Booth
28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Charles Hanson valuations
30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Cranmer Awards (Toft)