

Sunday 23rd April 2023
Easter 2

Almighty God, who gave your only Son for us to be both a sacrifice for sin and an example of godly life, give us grace so that we may always receive with thankfulness the immeasurable benefit of his sacrifice, and try day by day to follow in the steps of his most holy life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

St John's Knutsford

8.30am **Holy Communion**
Led by: Nigel Atkinson Preacher: Nigel Atkinson
Genesis 1:1-3(p1) John 1:1-13 (p886)

10.15am **Morning Worship**
Led by Ken McPhail Preacher: Nigel Atkinson

4.00pm **APCM**

St John's Toft

10.15am **Holy Communion**
Led by: Tom Hollingsbee Preacher: Tom Hollingsbee
Jonah 1:7-2-10 (p927) Matthew 12:38-42 (p978)

Followed by APCM

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.

SERMONS

Knutsford morning sermons can now be found on YouTube on the day after recording on our URL:
<https://www.youtube.com/stjohnsknutsford>

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.

Mon 9.30am Staff Meeting (centre)
24th 5.30pm English class (centre)
April

Pray for integrity and wisdom for the King and all in national and local government.

Tue 2.00pm Toft Fellowship (Fir Tree Ave)
25th 6.00pm May Day Court Rehearsal
April 7.30pm Toft Fellowship (Zoom)
8.00pm Rock Choir (Church)

Praise God that we have free speech and freedom to worship, and pray that both will continue to be protected.

Wed 9.30am Women's Community Group
26th (centre)
April 10.00am Rock Choir (church)
3.30pm Toft burial of ashes: Jill Bowtell
5.00pm Brownies (centre)

Pray that attempts to legalise assisted suicide will fail.

Thu CAFÉ CLOSED
27th 10.00am Oasis
April 12 noon Funeral @The Birches: Adele Toulman followed by
1.00pm Thanksgiving Service (SJK)
7.45pm Youth Bible Study

Praise God for Adele Toulman's life, and pray that her family and friends may know the Lord's comfort in their loss.

Fri
28th
April

Pray for our children, that they may be protected from an increasingly sexualised culture

Sat 1.00pm Toft Wedding: Luke Atkinson &
29th Lauren Ward
April

Praise God for marriage, and pray that Luke Atkinson and Lauren will have a long and happy life together.

Sunday 30th April (Easter 3)

Knutsford 8.30am Holy Communion
10.15am Morning Worship
6.30pm Evening Service
Toft 10.15am Morning Prayer

I, the LORD your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, 'Fear not, I am the one who helps you.'

KNUTSFORD ROYAL MAY DAY: 13TH MAY

As you may know, we have a long tradition of providing refreshments during Royal May Day, and we want to continue that this year. If you are able to offer to help for one hour, please let the church office know.

ADELE TOULMAN

Adele went to be with her Lord on 28th March. There is to be a service on Thursday 27th April at 12 noon at The Birches, Birches Lane, Lostock Green at 12 noon, followed by a service of Thanksgiving for her life at SJK at 1pm. All church family are welcome to both services. Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to Tearfund or Crisis. Please pray for Kathie, Anne and the family in their loss.

CORNERSTONE

Cornerstone would like to invite the church family to join them for a Coronation Celebration Event on Sunday May 7th from 3-6pm in the main church. Short informal service followed by fun & games and a bring your own picnic tea. Come dressed for the occasion in red, white and blue. Everyone welcome. More details to follow.

HOPE CENTRAL

Hope Central have a regular prayer meeting to pray for their work, staff, volunteers, clients and supporters. This month it will be in Knutsford. It would lovely if members of the Church family were able to join them in the Church Centre on Monday 24th April from 12:30 to 13:30 in the Church Centre.

STAFFING NEWS

We are pleased to announce that the advertised role of Church Administrator has now been filled.

Mrs Ruth Foster and Mrs Penny Langham will commence work at the start of May covering all five weekdays as a job share.

Mrs Andrea Preston has also begun working two days a week to assist our Treasurer Steve Kitcher.

Elaine Tamkin & Andy Worth, Church Wardens

URGENT HELP NEEDED

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help with the chairs while Giles is on holiday. The list of dates and allocated volunteers has been sent out.

HOPE CENTRAL

Please donate carrier bags for life, curry sauces, shampoo, tinned custard, tinned meat, tinned pasta, tinned pulses, tinned rice pudding and UHT skimmed milk this week. Carrier bags can be left in the Hope Central collection bins or dropped off at the office any weekday morning.

DIARY DATES

23 rd Apr	APCMs: Toft after church SJK @ 4pm (no evening service)
24 th Apr	Hope Central prayer meeting Rock Choir restarts
29 th Apr	Toft wedding: Luke Atkinson & Lauren Ward
4 th May	Marriage Course starts
13 th May	Toft Garden Society