BANK HOLIDAY: OFFICE CLOSED

Praise God for people in the public eye who openly acknowledge their faith.

Tue 9 th	9.30am 2.00pm	Staff Meeting (centre) Toft Fellowship (Glebelands)
May 6.00pm	6.00pm	May Day Court Rehearsal
	7.30pm	Toft Fellowship (Zoom)
	8.00pm	Tatton Singers (Church)

Pray for Christians working in cultural arts, that they may be able to honour God through their work.

Wed 10 th	9.30am	Women's Community Group (centre)
May	10.00am 5.00pm	Rock Choir (church) Brownies (centre)

Praise God for churches that speak out for Scriptural truth, and pray they may show loving compassion to all who need it.

Thu	10.00am	Oasis (centre)
11 th	7.45pm8	Youth Bible Study (centre)
May	7.30pm	Marriage Course (café)

Pray for the marriage course starting tonight, that it will be successful and those attending will be blessed.

Fri 12th May

Praise God for the many gifts we have, and pray we may use them for his glory.

Sat 13th May KNUTSFORD ROYAL MAY DAY

Pray for all who attend the May Day celebrations today, that all will be kept safe and everyone will enjoy themselves

Sunday 14th May (Easter 5)

Knutsford	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.15am	Royal May Day
	Service (All Age)	
	6.30pm	Evening Service

Toft 10.15am Holy Communion

God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise. The kings of the earth belong to God, he is greatly exalted.

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Sunday 7th May 2023 Easter 4

Almighty God, you alone can order the unruly wills and passions of sinful men: grant that your people may love what you command and desire what you promise so that among the many and varied changes of this world our hearts may be firmly fixed where true joys are to be found through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

St John's Knutsford

10.15am	Morning Worship
8.30am Led by: Nigel Atkinson Genesis 1:26-31 (p 4)	Holy Communion Preacher: Nigel Atkinson Psalm 139:7-18 (p 628)

10.15am Led by Helen Eccles Genesis 1:26-31

3.00pm

Cornerstone Coronation Special Bring your own picnic tea

Preacher: Nigel Atkinson

Psalm 139:7-18

St John's Toft

10.15am Led by: Tom Hollingsbee Jonah 4 (p 928) **Morning Worship** Preacher: Tom Hollingsbee Luke 18: 9-14 (p 1052)

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

GIVING TO OUR CHURCHES

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

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

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.

DIGITAL GIVING AT ST JOHNS KNUTSFORD

We will soon be introducing facilities in SJK to enable donations to be made digitally. In a couple of weeks or so you will see:

 \cdot two contactless / chip & PIN card readers: one in the porch or narthex and one in the entrance to the church centre

 \cdot online giving via a link and/or QR code from the church website

• QR codes around the building and on church leaflets, such as the newsletter, etc.

These facilities are more for the benefit of visitors to the church who may wish to make a donation.

They are in addition to current ways of giving to St John's, including standing orders, direct bank transfers, envelopes and the offering box. If you would like to set up regular giving to St Johns then we encourage you to use these existing arrangements.

CORNERSTONE CORONATION SPECIAL

Cornerstone are looking forward to welcoming all those who can join with them today, 7th May, 3-6pm in the church. Bring your own picnic tea. Hot drinks available. Dress code: red, white and blue.

A collection will be taken and the money given will go to support Hannah & Joseph Adams who are presently supporting at the Iringa Centre in Tanzania that offers hope, new skills and work opportunities to disadvantaged and disabled people within their community. Gift Aid envelopes will be available.

Ascension Day Service

There will be an Ascension Day service of Holy Communion at 7:00 pm on 18th May at St Johns Toft.

THANK YOU

Kathie, Anne and all the family of Adele Toulman wish to say thank you for your support, prayers, messages, cards, flowers and meals over these past difficult months.

To those who were able to attend the thanksgiving service for Adele or watched online and to those who assisted in the funeral, once again thank you for your love and support. We are very grateful.

She is safely home with her Lord Jesus, and this comforts us greatly as we grieve.

THANK YOU!

I would like to thank everyone at St Johns for the many kind messages and generous gifts you gave me on my retirement. I am quite overwhelmed by everyone's thoughtfulness and generosity. You have all been a great blessing to me, and I am deeply grateful to you, and of course to God for providing you. May he continue to bless you, and the church. Chris Hogg.

HOPE CENTRAL

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

DIARY DATES

11 th May	Marriage Course starts
13 th May	Knutsford Royal May Day
16 th May	Friends of Casa Mere musical evening (centre)
18 th May	Marriage Course (Café)
20 th May	Tatton Singers Singing Day (church)
	Tatton Plant Sale (Toft)
21 st May	Cornerstone
25 th May	Marriage Course (Café)
29 th May	Half Term: Café closed