

**NCK with Alvanley and Manley - Prayer Meeting.**

The prayer meeting takes place on Mondays from 9.00 - 9.30am  
in the Church Room, Kingsley. All are welcome.

**Bible Study Group**

The group meets on Tuesdays from 7.30pm-9.00pm  
in the Church Room, Kingsley.

We are currently following a series on - 'Meeting Jesus'.  
Further information from John Dawson 01928 789937.

**Sunday 18th January - Double Celebration  
at St John's Church, Kingsley  
Celebrating the 175th Anniversary  
of the consecration of the Church and the  
Confirmation of 4 members of the church family**

At the above service, Oisín, Dara, Ebony and Sue  
will be confirmed by Bishop Mark.

They have been meeting since November to prepare for this  
special day and we would ask you to hold them in your prayers.

**An update from Bryony Partridge**

"I am very grateful for your prayers during my illness. It was a great  
comfort, and quite humbling, to know people were praying for me, and to  
feel that love and support. Thank you!"

**Prayer Diary:**

Please pray for: Peter Gleave. Lucie Storer, Francis Weighill, Gillian Whyte,  
Joshua Wareham, Joshua Butterworth, Wal Fennerl, Ann Green, Pam & Andy  
Jobson, Grace Rowlinson, Debbie Holden, Derek Lawrenson, Geoff Noden.

*Prayer requests and cancellations to Graham Merrington please.*

**Churches  
Website  
[www.nck.org.uk](http://www.nck.org.uk)**

Pew Sheet Notices by 12noon **Friday** please.  
email: [graham\\_merrington@btinternet.com](mailto:graham_merrington@btinternet.com)  
or tel: 01928 788 087.

*The Benefice of  
Alvanley and Manley  
Norley, Crowton and Kingsley  
"Followers of Jesus"  
Sharing His love with Others"*

**11th January 2026  
Epiphany 1**

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**Services this Week**

11th January 2026 Epiphany 1			
	10:00am	Crowton	Holy Communion
	6:00pm	NCK Centre	2nd Sunday @ 6
<b>15th January</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Kingsley</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>

**Services Next Week**

18th January 2026 Epiphany 2 Confirmation Service			
	10:00am	Kingsley	Confirmation Service
			with Holy Communion
<b>22nd January</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Norley</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>

### 1st Reading - Acts 10: 34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.

That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

**Funerals** - it is with sadness we report the following from our parishes who have passed away.

Gill Lunt of Norley, her funeral is taking place at St Peter's, Delamere on Thursday 15th January at 11am followed by cremation at Vale Royal.

Clarice Williams of Norley, her funeral will take place at Norley Church at 1.30pm on Friday 16th January 2026, followed by burial in the churchyard

Stanley Brian Lewis late of Norley, his funeral will take place at Vale Royal Crematorium at 4pm on Friday 16th January 2026.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

**Kingsley Church is open for prayer  
Every Tuesday Morning 9.30am - 12.00noon**

### Gospel reading - Matthew 3: 13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?'

But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented.

And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

**World Day of Prayer** - *formerly the Women's World Day of Prayer*  
A date for your diary.

This year's service will be held at **Norley Methodist Church, Maddocks Hill, Norley WA68JT**  
on Friday, **6th March 2026 at 1.30pm.**

There will be a planning meeting for the service on **Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> January at 10am** at Norley Methodist Church and we hope that representatives from each church will be able to attend.

Please let Gail Fullbrook, [g.fullbrook@btinternet.com](mailto:g.fullbrook@btinternet.com) 07908 766547 know if your church will be represented.

### Dates for your Diary

#### January 2026

12th Alvanley PCC Meeting, 10am NCK Centre  
20th Norley PCC Meeting 7.30pm NCK Centre  
22nd Crowton PCC in church 7.15pm  
23rd Church Walk 9.30am from Norley Church Car park

#### February

3rd Mothers' Union - 2pm NCK Centre  
5th Kingsley PCC Meeting 7.30 Church Room  
20th Church Walk 9.30am from Norley Church Car park  
25th What really matters in the end? Course 1.30-3.30pm NCK Centre

#### March

3rd Mothers' Union - 2pm NCK Centre  
4th What really matters in the end? Course 1.30-3.30pm NCK Centre  
11th What really matters in the end? Course 1.30-3.30pm NCK Centre  
18th What really matters in the end? Course 1.30-3.10pm NCK Centre  
25th What really matters in the end? Course 1.30-3.30pm NCK Centre