

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 Bible Study Group will be taking a break over the Summer. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 8th September (7.00 - 8.30pm) when we will be starting a new series on the book of Judges.

All are welcome.

Further information from John Dawson 01928 789937.

Harvest Festival St John's Church, Kingsley Sunday 20th September

As part of the churches 175th Anniversary
this year we are offering the Kingsley schools
'Experience Harvest'

This will take place the week running up to the
Harvest Festival Service.

'Experience Harvest' will enable the children to gain fuller understanding of the significance of nature's cycle of growth. Alongside this, the children will explore how the spirit of God produces growth in character, revealed in what the Bible calls the 'Fruit of the Spirit'. (Galatians 5:22-23)

The church will be open for viewing the Harvest Displays and children's work prior to the service on the Sunday.

If you are interested in helping please contact Hilary
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Prayer Diary:

Please pray for: Francis Weighill, Joshua Wareham, Wal Fennerl, Pam & Andy Jobson, Grace Rowlinson, Derek Lawrenson, Geoff Noden, Ruth Broome, Sandra Christie.

Prayer requests and cancellations to Graham Merrington please.

**Churches
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www.nck.org.uk

Pew Sheet Notices by 12noon **Friday** please.
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*The Benefice of
Alvanley and Manley
Norley, Crowton and Kingsley
"Followers of Jesus"
Sharing His love with Others"*

23 August 2026

Trinity 12

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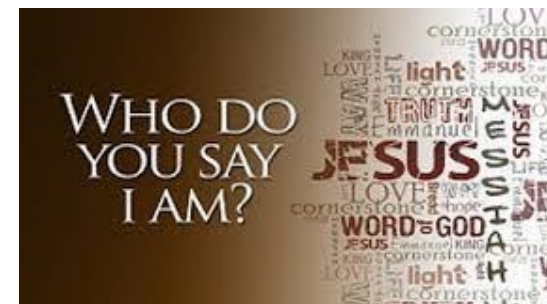
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Services this Week

23rd August 2026 Trinity 12			
	10:00am	Alvanley	Holy Communion
27th August 2026	10:00am	Norley	Midweek Communion

Services Next Week

30th August 2026 Trinity 13	10:00am	Norley	Holy Communion
			Joint Service with our Methodist Friends
3rd Sept 2026	10:00am	Crowton	Midweek Communion

1st Reading - Exodus 1: 8 -2 : 10

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, 'Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.' Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labour. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labour. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, 'When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.' But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, 'Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?' The midwives said to Pharaoh, 'Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.' So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, 'Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

The Knitted Bible

Wednesday 14th - Friday 30th October
St John's, Kingsley
Open each day 10am - 4pm

There are 33 Bible Scenes from Creation to the Resurrection



This is a delightful experience to be part of and help will be needed during the opening times, please let Hilary know if you are interested.

Gospel Reading - Matthew 16: 13-20

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.'

He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven.

And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Dates for your Diary

August

28th Walking Group - Meet at Norley Church Car Park 9.30am

September

6th Harvest on the Farm - 2.30pm Old Hall Farm, Newton, Kingsley

10th Messy Church - Kingsley St John's C.E. Primary School 3.45-5.45pm

11th Archdeacons Inspection - all churches the same day

16th Experience Harvest - Kingsley St John's School in Church

17th-19th Kingsley Church Open to view Harvest Displays

20th Harvest Festival 10:00am at Kingsley Church

24th Crowton P.C.C. Meeting , 7.30pm in church

October

1st Kingsley PCC in the Church Room at 7.30pm

14th-30th Knitted Bible Exhibition at Kingsley Church - 10am-4pm each day

A small group of 'stitchers' are in the early stages of designing a banner/wall hanging for St John's Church, Alvanley. If you would be interested in helping with the cutting and stitching etc, we'd love to hear from you. Our hope is that we'll be able to draw together a team of willing volunteers who would be able to help, over time, to produce hangings and banners that would enhance our worship and our churches visually. You could give as much or as little time as you can spare. Willingness is more important than skill! Interested? Gail would love to hear from you.

