

<b>Mon</b> 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10.00am	Staff Meeting Oasis
	2.00pm	Young@Heart
	7.30pm	Oasis Leaders' Meeting

Pray for the Staff and Oasis Leaders' meetings today, that in all matters they may know the Lord's guidance and leading so that the work of His church may move forward.

<b>Tue</b> 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10.00am	Oasis
	7.30pm	Tatton Singers Rehearsal
	8.00pm	Home group leaders' meeting

Pray for the Oasis groups as they meet this week, and the need for more helpers. Pray for the homegroup leaders' meeting as they prepare for the new series on the Apostles' Creed.

<b>Wed</b> 11 <sup>th</sup> Jan	7.30pm	Youth cells
	8.00pm	Evangelism and Forward Planning Group meeting, Vicarage

Pray for the Evangelism and Forward Planning Group meeting tonight, that they may know the mind and will of the Lord as we seek to make Christ known in our community and among those we meet.

<b>Thu</b> 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10.00am	Oasis
	7.00 for	ACF: Epiphany Supper
	7.30pm	

Pray for the ACF Epiphany Supper tonight that it may be a good time of fellowship and a remembrance of the visit of the Magi bringing their gifts to the baby Jesus.

<b>Fri</b> 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan	4.00pm	Little Nutters
	5.30pm	TGI
	7.30pm	Eureka

Pray for the children's and young people's groups as they meet tonight, that they may have a great time together and come to know more about Jesus in their lives

**Sat**  
14<sup>th</sup>  
Jan

Pray for the Thanksgiving Service tomorrow for God's special gift of Skye Lily Cameron and that in future days she may come to put her trust in the Lord Jesus.

### Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2016 (Epiphany 2)

<b>Knutsford</b>	8.45am	Holy Communion
	10.15am	Thanksgiving Service
	6.30pm	Evening Worship
<b>Toft</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.15am	Morning Worship (BCP)

Pray for the Services at Knutsford and Toft and in places of Christian worship around the world, that the preaching of God's Word may lead to the salvation of many souls.

## Today's Services Sunday 8 January 2017 (Epiphany 1)

### The Collect

O God, who revealed your only Son to the Gentiles by the leading of a star, mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may after this life enjoy the splendour of your glorious Godhead, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## St John's Knutsford

### He ascended into Heaven: The Apostles' Creed

**8.45am**  
Led by: Nigel Atkinson  
Acts 1: 1: 1-11 (p909)

**Holy Communion**  
Preacher: Richard Reeve  
John 14: 1-12 (p901)

**10.15am**  
Led by: Nigel Atkinson  
Acts 1: 1-11 (p909)

Preacher: Richard Reeve  
John 14: 1-12 (p901)

### Habakkuk #1

**6.30pm**  
Led by: Chris Johnson  
Habakkuk 1:1-11 (p785)

**Evening Service**  
Preacher: John Lee

You can expect the sermons to last about 30 mins, and the service overall about 70-95 mins. Knutsford Sermons are available on the web within a few days

## St John's Toft

### Habakkuk #1

**10.15am**  
Led by: Dan Young  
Habakkuk 1: 1-11(p940)

**Holy Communion**  
Preacher: John Lee  
Acts 13: 26-42(p1108)

Do join us for refreshments after the service

**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 Ministers: Nigel (K632834) or Dan (K228216).

**After Service Prayer:** After the 10.15 service at Knutsford there will be people in the Memorial Chapel who will pray with you if you would like.

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## **APOLOGETICS COURSE**

Which questions about the Christian faith would you like to have good answers for? What makes your friends and family sceptical about what you believe? John Lee is writing an apologetics course for us to use this year, and he would like to address specific issues from our experience as a church family. Send your questions/comments to [sjohnlee@mac.com](mailto:sjohnlee@mac.com).

## **LADIES' BOOK GROUP**

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 2nd February when we discuss *The Journey of Desire* by John Eldredge. For more information about this group or the current book please speak with Debbie Woods or Judy Pearce. All ladies welcome.

## **SAVE THE DATE#1!**

Exciting news alert! We are having a church weekend away on 16-18th March, **2018**, at Whitemoor Lakes Activity Centre in Lichfield, Staffordshire. The weekend is also open to those who have attended St John's in the past but who have moved away, so spread the word. It's not too early to secure your place - you can do this by giving a £20 deposit to Stephen Watson or Julija Broomhead, or leave it in a named envelope with Chris Hogg in the office.

## **OASIS**

Oasis groups are run by church family volunteers. We urgently need more help from January 2017, especially in the kitchen serving drinks and snacks. We have a rota, so helpers only come about once a month, and there are usually 2 people on together. It is a valuable way of serving the young mums of Knutsford, and training will be given. Please pray that this could be something you could do, and come along and see us in action. For more information ask one of our Coffee Coordinators: Di Keeble, Janet Whalley or Janet Comline, or any Oasis helper.

## **DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES. CORNERSTONE ANNUAL MISSION COFFEE MORNING**

Saturday **4th February 2017. 10-2pm**. More details to follow in the New Year but offers of help would be appreciated. Speak to Sue Fenton, Isobel Shaw or Beki Parratt.

## **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

This term our Church focus is on the Apostles' Creed: we return to complete it in the morning sermon series, Junior Church is starting its own 12 week study of the Creed, Home groups are looking at the Creed and we would like to encourage families to study the Creed together by looking at the following guide: *Laying the Foundation: A Family Study of the Apostles' Creed* by Luke Gilkerson. Available from Amazon for £10.89.

## **NORTH WEST PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

This year's conference is over two days, 27-28 January 2017, and features some great speakers – Mark

Simpson, Richard Coekin and Graham Beynon. The theme is vital to St John's - 'How to grow your church and keep it growing...'. Does God Himself, in His Word, have anything to say that will answer this question? And if a church does grow then what about another question... 'How does a church keep growing?'. As ever it promises to be encouraging and stimulating. (Note: It is possible to just attend on the Saturday, if you can't make a weekday.) Booking forms available online or by the door into the Church Centre.

## **MEN'S BREAKFAST TICKETS - NOW SELLING**

**When: Sat. 21 January 8.30-9.30am**

Where: The Cross Keys, 52 King Street, WA16 6DT  
Speaker: Peter Budd - Professor at the School of Chemistry, the University of Manchester. Theme: "The Giant Molecule Story: science and faith" **Tickets bought in advance**, please, from church office or from Richard Reeve: £6.00.

## **HOME GROUPS**

Home groups start meeting again on 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> January. If you're not in a group and would like to join one, please see Richard Reeve or Chris Hogg.

## **SAVE THE DATE#2!**

Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup> 2017, here at St John's, North West Partnership Annual Youth Conference: Engaging with the Worlds of Youth and Children'. Open to volunteer youth and children's leaders, parents, full-time workers and church ministers. More details to follow soon.

## **PIGEON-HOLES**

There are several unclaimed Christmas cards, and other post, in the pigeon-holes in the Church Centre. Please remember to check if there is anything for you!

## **PRISON FELLOWSHIP LETTERS FOR JANUARY**

These are available in your pigeon holes in the Church Centre, and spares are in the Centre entrance. Please pick one up!

## **UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES**

17 <sup>th</sup> Jan	May Day Committee 8pm
	Home groups start
19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	IT development meeting 8pm
20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Cornerstone 7pm
21 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Men's Breakfast, Cross Keys 8.30am
27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	NWP Conference 10-4
28 <sup>th</sup> Jan	NWP Conference 10-4
	Marriage Preparation Course 9.30-3.30
1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	Prayer Gathering 8pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Ladies Book Group 8pm
4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Cornerstone Coffee Morning 9-4pm
13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Young@Heart 2pm
17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Cornerstone 7pm