

**Mon**  
20<sup>th</sup>  
Feb

7.00pm RockChoir

Pray for the Toft Fellowship as they start a new course entitled 'Discipleship Explored'. Pray that as they study this together from Philipians and a DVD it may be encouraging, inspiring and challenging to each one.

**Tue**  
21<sup>st</sup>  
Feb

7.30pm Tatton Singers Rehearsal

Pray for the Chester Diocesan Bell-ringers as they meet tomorrow at St John's for a Guild meeting, that in all matters under discussion they may be guided by the Lord in this service for Him.

**Wed**  
22<sup>nd</sup>  
Feb

2.00pm Home Communion  
7.30pm Chester Diocesan Bell ringers

Pray for Dan as he takes the Home Communion to the house bound today that there may be a time of reflection, remembrance and thankfulness as they consider all that the Lord has done.

**Thu**  
23<sup>rd</sup>  
Feb

7.30pm Bell-ringing practice

Pray for the Church of England as it seeks under God to move on after the vote in General Synod on the Bishop's Report on marriage in church was defeated.

**Fri**  
24<sup>th</sup>  
Feb

Pray for the Christian Unions in our Universities and Colleges that have held their mission weeks during this month. Pray for the students who have already responded to Christ and for those yet to come to Him.

**Sat**  
25<sup>th</sup>  
Feb

Pray for our mission partners Jirka & Keira Kralovi in the Czech Republic and Wanyeki & Mary in Kenya, that the Lord will watch over them and guide them along the path to take in their service for Him.

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2017 (Sunday before Lent)

<b>Knutsford</b>	8.45am	Holy Communion
	10.15am	Morning Worship
	6.30pm	Evening Worship
<b>Toft</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.15am	Morning Worship

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

## Today's Services Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2017 (2<sup>nd</sup> before Lent)

### The Collect

Lord God, you know that we do not put our trust in anything that we do: mercifully defend us by your power against all adversity, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## St John's Knutsford

### The Apostles' Creed: The Forgiveness of Sins

#### 8.45am

Led by: Nigel Atkinson  
Psalm 32 (p462)

#### Morning Prayer (BCP)

Preacher: Nigel Atkinson  
Mark 2: 1-12 (p837)

#### 10.15am

Led by: Andy Keeble  
Psalm 32 (p462)

#### Holy Communion

Preacher: Nigel Atkinson  
Mark 2: 1-12 (p837)

### EVENING WORSHIP Love's Betrayal

#### 6.30pm

Led by: Stephen  
Watson

Preacher: Matt Thompson  
John 13: 18-30 (p900)

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 Love's Betrayal

#### 8.00am

Led by Dan Young  
Psalm 41 (p567)

#### Holy Communion

Preacher: Dan Young  
John 13: 12-30 (p1081)

#### 10.15am

Led by: Hazel Raw  
Psalm 41: (p567)

#### Morning Worship

Preacher: Dan Young  
John 13: 12-30 (p1081)

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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### TOFT FELLOWSHIP

We shall be meeting on Monday evenings at 57, Summers Way, by kind agreement of Ken and Vera Webster. The first meeting will be tomorrow, 20th February at 7.30 pm, and we will be following a course called "Discipleship Explored". Details of the course are set out on a sheet of paper at the back of Toft church: if you are interested, please take one home with you.

### TOFT MOTHERS' UNION

Thursday 2nd March at 2pm in Toft church hall. The speaker is from Delamere Dairies, Bexton Lane, Knutsford. Visitors are welcome to come along to the meeting. Tea and biscuits will be served.

### WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Ladies, do join us at SJK on Friday 10th March from 7.30-9.30 pm as we enjoy a meal together and are introduced to our conference theme: "Who do you think you are?" before we hit the ground running on Saturday from 9.30- 2.30 for music, teaching, testimony, prayer and sharing our experiences of what it means to have our identity in Christ. Tickets in advance: £5 for either session or £8 for both, available from the office.

### CHURCH FAMILY CELEBRATION

On Sunday afternoon, March 12th, we'd like to invite you all to celebrate with us and give thanks to God for Alfie. We're so grateful for all the support and encouragement we've had from church family over the past year. We will be having a short thanksgiving at 3pm followed by a bring and share tea at St Johns, finishing by 5:30pm. All welcome, please bring food to share rather than a gift.

Chris, Cathy, Cole, Daisy & Alfie Johnson

### NWP YOUTH WORKS CONFERENCE

Saturday March 18th 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. If you are a parent you are very welcome to attend. The cost for the day is £15, and there is a choice of seminars. Book on the NWP website or get further details from Chris Johnson or the office. Members of the church family who are able to help with the serving of refreshments, in the morning or afternoon, please let the office know.

### MEN'S EVENT - BUSHCRAFT

When: Saturday 22nd April - full day; Where: Lancashire...at a location later to be disclosed! Led by: Steve Cowles who is Chaplain with the Lancashire Police Force. Places are strictly limited to 20. For more info. or to indicate your interest please contact Daniel Alcazar - mobile: 07855791018 / email: [daniel.alcazar@btinternet.com](mailto:daniel.alcazar@btinternet.com)

### NEWS FROM THE TOWER

A meeting with Nigel and the bell ringers was held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February in the Drop. Nigel led us through the parable of "The Prodigal Son" and reminded us that we all need to come back to God through Jesus Christ. Applying the parable further, he went on to say that the ringers have a ministry in calling the people of Knutsford back to God through the ringing of our bells each Sunday. Our thanks went to Jim Townsend who, after 27 years serving the Lord and His Church at St. John's, stepped down as leader of our company. A suitable presentation and a toast was made to

Jim and Linda. Mrs. Jane Cartmel was elected as our new Tower leader. Jane is a member of the 8.45 a.m. congregation and we wish her well in her new ministry.

### MEN'S BREAKFAST - 25th MARCH

Theme: "Whose side is God on? A look at faith and football." Speaker: Pete Horlock who is chaplain at Manchester City FC. Venue: The Cross Keys Pub. Time: 8.30-9.30am. Tickets: £6.00. Purchased in advance from the St John's Knutsford church office or from Richard.

### LIFE EXPLORED COURSE: Crèche help needed.

A new Life Explored course is planned this year for Oasis Mums beginning on April 26<sup>th</sup> and continuing each Wednesday morning for seven weeks. If you could share in this exciting work and help in the crèche for perhaps one Wednesday, please contact June Evans on Knu.634533

### UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	PCC Meeting SJK
1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Prayer Gathering
9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	ACF
10 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Ladies Conference
13 <sup>th</sup> Ma	Young@Heart
18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	NWP Youth Conference
25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Men's Breakfast
26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Mothering Sunday
5 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Prayer Gathering
6 <sup>th</sup> Apr	ACF
10 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Young@Heart
14 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Good Friday Children's Service
16 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Easter Day
21 <sup>st</sup> Apr	Cornerstone
22 <sup>nd</sup> Apr	Men's Bushcraft Day
26 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Oasis Evangelism Course starts
30 <sup>th</sup> Apr	APCM
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Prayer Gathering
6 <sup>th</sup> May	Northern Men's Convention
	May Day Café open
7 <sup>th</sup> May	Royal May Day Service
8 <sup>th</sup> May	Young@ Heart
11 <sup>th</sup> May	ACF
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Cornerstone
28 <sup>th</sup> May	Rededication Service with Bishop Keith
7 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Prayer Gathering
8 <sup>th</sup> Jun	ACF
10 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Toft Summer Fair
24 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Men's breakfast
29 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Oasis Social
13 <sup>th</sup> Jul	ACF
15 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Keswick Week 1
22 <sup>nd</sup> Jul	Keswick Week 2
29 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Keswick Week 3
4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Livewires
15 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Men's weekend away
8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Harvest Festival
12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Remembrance Day
16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Breakfast @Bethlehem