

**Today's Services**

**Sunday 7th January 2018 (Epiphany 1)**

**The Collect**

Merciful Lord, receive the prayers of your people who call upon you and grant that we may know those things we ought to do and also have the grace and power faithfully to perform them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**St John's Knutsford**

**Walking in the Spirit**

**8.45 am Holy Communion**  
Led by Nigel Atkinson Preacher: Nigel Atkinson

**10.15am Morning Worship**  
Led by: Richard Reeve Preacher: Nigel Atkinson  
John 15: 1-8 (p901) Galatians 5: 16-26 (p975)

**4.00pm 4Life**  
Why must the Redeemer be truly human?  
Led by: Patrick Murphy Speaker: Nigel Atkinson

**Jeremiah #1: God's Words**

**6.30pm Evening Worship**  
Led by John Lee Preacher: Dan Young  
Jeremiah 1: 1-10(p627)

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**

**Jeremiah #1: God's Words**

**8.00am Holy Communion**  
Led by Dan Young Preacher: Dan Young

**10.15am Morning Worship**  
Led by: Thain Flowers Preacher: Dan Young  
Jeremiah 1: 1-10(p755) 2 Timothy 4: 1-8 (p1197)

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 Vicar: Nigel (K632834), Toft's associate minister Dan (K228216) or our Pastoral Team Leader: Anne Greaves (07436 112305).

**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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**Mon** 10.00am Oasis restarts  
8<sup>th</sup> Staff Meeting  
Jan 2pm Young@Heart  
8.00pm Oasis staff meeting

Pray for all the children and staff returning to school today, and for all the meetings taking place at church, that God's will will be done..

**Tue** 10.00am Oasis  
9<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Tatton Singers  
Jan

Pray for Oasis, that God may be able to speak into the hearts of the families who attend.

**Wed** 8.00pm Home group Leaders meeting  
10<sup>th</sup>  
Jan

Pray for the home group leaders meeting, that the new materials will enable us all to grow in Christ.

**Thu** 200pm Toft Mother's Union  
11th 7.30pm Bell-ringing  
Jan 8.00pm ACF Epiphany Supper  
E & P meeting

Praise God for all the willing workers who serve the church family in any capacity, up front or behind the scenes.

**Fri** 4.00pm Little Nutters  
12<sup>th</sup> 5.30pm TGI  
Jan 7.30pm Eureka

Praise for the continued increase of numbers attending the children's Friday meetings, and pray that what they experience will impact their lives.

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

Pray for all those who are sick or facing operations, that they will know God's presence and peace in the days ahead.

**Sunday 14th Jan 2018 Epiphany 2**

**Knutsford** 8.45am Holy Communion  
10.15am Morning Service  
6.30pm Evening Service  
**Toft** 10.15am Holy Communion

Pray for Christians meeting together all over the world, and remember those countries where such meetings are forbidden. Pray for protection for persecuted Christians, and rejoice that the church can grow when it is repressed.

## **PRISON PRAYER LETTERS**

The Prison Prayer Letters for January are now available in the pigeon holes in the Church Centre for those who take a regular copy. There are spare copies in the holders in the entrance to the Centre so please take one.

## **YOUNG@HEART**

Tomorrow in the Church Centre at 2 p.m, our speaker is Sharon Mayer, who will be telling us of her work as a Pastoral Worker in the Farming Community, a subject we don't hear much about, so her talk will be very interesting. As usual this will be followed by refreshments and a short devotion. Our meetings are open to all retired people, we look forward to meeting you. Chris & Diana

## **EVANGELISTIC WEEKEND WITH OAK HILL STUDENTS 2-4 FEB.**

Please invite your friends to hear the good news about Jesus at one of these events:

**FRIDAY FEB 2nd** - Ian Chidlow evangelistic work with young people's groups (See Chris Johnson for details.)

### **SATURDAY FEB 3rd**

**8.30am - Men's breakfast:** Dan Whiffin speaks at Cross Keys Pub. Theme - "Grill a trainee vicar". Tickets from Richard at £6.

**7.30pm - Quiz evening** with promotion for Life Explored course. Tickets from church office or Beki Parratt at £3 (under 16s £1).

### **SUNDAY FEB 4th –**

Preacher, Paul Davies, at 8.45am and 10.15am services. **4LIFE event**, 4pm, with talk from Ian Chidlow.

The above events will also be used to promote the following evangelistic courses...

## **LIFE EXPLORED COURSES**

**EVENING COURSE** 8pm, venue to be confirmed, on the following Thursdays: March 1 / 8 / 15 / 22 / Easter break / April 19 / 26 / May 3

### **DAYTIME COURSE** - WITH CHILDCARE PROVIDED

10am, downstairs in the Centre on the following Wednesdays: February 28 / March 7 / 14 / 21 / 28 / Easter break / April 18 / 25

For more information or to book - Tel: 01565 755160 / email: [office@stjohnsknutsford.org.uk](mailto:office@stjohnsknutsford.org.uk)

## **ACF EPIPHANY SUPPER**

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm in the Church Centre. We look forward to an enjoyable evening. Don't forget to bring your own drinks!

## **NORTHWEST PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE**

26-27 January 2018 at St Andrews Leyland. This year's theme is The Battle to Keep the Bible Central, with the main speakers being Denesh Divyanathan (a pastor of a church in Singapore) and Tim Ward (teacher of homiletics at Oak Hill). The conference is always a great couple of days, and well worth attending one or both of them. More details available on their website or in the church centre.

## **WEEKEND AWAY 2018**

Join us at Whitemoor Lakes, Lichfield WS13 8QT ([www.acuk.net/whitemoor-lakes](http://www.acuk.net/whitemoor-lakes)) from 16-18 March 2018 for a great time of fellowship with our church family. The speaker will be Lee Gatiss, and Nathan Phillingham from Hartford Church will be leading the children. Do come and join the 80+ people who have already signed up! Forms available from the churchwardens or the office, £20 deposit per person secures your place. Please hand completed forms and your deposit in to the office.

## **KNUTSFORD TALKING NEWSPAPER**

If you have difficulty reading the newspaper, or you know someone who does, you can have an audio version of the Knutsford Guardian and other articles sent to you every week. This service is free, and all the equipment is provided. For more information phone Lorelly Wilson at 01565 653279.

## **TOFT MOTHERS' UNION**

The AGM is on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January at 2pm. Nigel will be speaking. Do come along!

## **UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES**

8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Oasis starts again Young@Heart
9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Tatton Singers restart
10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Home group leaders meeting
11 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Toft MU AGM E&P meeting ACF Epiphany Supper
12 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Little Nutters, TGI & Eureka restart
15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Rock Choir restarts
16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Home groups restart
19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Cornerstone
21 <sup>st</sup> Jan	4Life
29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	PCC
2 <sup>nd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Oak Hill Mission Weekend