

**Today's Services**

**Sunday 9th February 2020 (Epiphany 5)**

**The Collect**

Heavenly Father, keep your household the church continually in your true religion so that we may lean only on the hope of your heavenly grace and always be defended by your mighty power, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**St John's Knutsford**

**Salvation Belongs to Our God #5**

**8.45am**

Led by: Nigel Atkinson

**Holy Communion**

Preacher: Nigel Atkinson

**10.15am**

Led by: Mel Lacy  
Jonah 3: 1-10 (p775)

**Morning Worship**

Preacher: Nigel Atkinson  
Acts 2: 14-21(p910)

**Death of A Prophet**

**6.30pm**

Led by: Chris Johnson

**Evening Worship**

Preacher: Richard Reeve  
Mark 6: 14-29 (p 841)

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**

**Death of a Prophet**

**10.15am**

Led by: Dan Young  
Isaiah 55:1-7(p742)

**Holy Communion**

Preacher: Richard Reeve  
Mark 6: 14-29 (p1008)

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 Nigel (K632834) or Dan (K228216), or our pastoral team leader Anne (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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**Days off:** Thursdays: Richard; Fridays: Dan; Helen  
Saturdays: Nigel, Chris J

<b>Mon</b>	10.00am	Oasis
10 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	Y@H Toft
Feb	8.00pm	Rock Choir

Praise God for the ability we have as a church to offer practical support and loving kindness to those in need.

<b>Tue</b>	9.30am	Staff Meeting
11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Oasis
Feb	8.00pm	Home groups

Pray for initiatives that educate, equip, counsel and protect children and the vulnerable in their use of the internet.

<b>Wed</b>	10.00am	Rock Choir
12 <sup>th</sup>	1.30pm	Home group
Feb	7.30pm	Youth cells
	8.00pm	Home groups

Praise God that every chain of sin and oppression was destroyed at the cross. Pray that those in despair and feeling weak may know the wonderful hope of the resurrection.

<b>Thu</b>	10.00am	Oasis
13 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Bell-ringing
Feb	8.00pm	S&F

Pray for the S&F meeting tonight, that decisions made will be in accordance with God's will.

<b>Fri</b>	4.00pm	Little Nutters
14 <sup>th</sup>	5.30pm	TGI
Feb	7.30pm	Eureka

Praise God for his gift of love and for relationships in families, among friends and our neighbours. Praise him for the love of Christ who laid down his life for us.

<b>Sat</b>		
15 <sup>th</sup>		
Feb		

Pray for refugees, wherever they may be, that they may experience the peace of the Lord in their current circumstances, and be healed from their hurts.

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February (Epiphany 6)**

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

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Accept my freewill offering of praise, O LORD.

## NEW SONG!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ijsjA5Yf8XA> shows you the song we hope to learn at 10.15 in Knutsford.

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February, 9am. Speaker: Steve Cowles, chaplain to Lancashire Police and bushcraft enthusiast. Theme: "Challenges facing Men" Venue: The Angel, 96 King St Knutsford, WA16 6QH. Tickets to be purchased in advance from Richard / the church office at £6.00.

## OASIS

Can you help? Oasis requires more help each week. If you can help on a Monday, Tuesday or Thursday morning please contact Tania Adams, Penny Buttrick or Charlotte Blakemore.

## BIBLE HANDLING EVENINGS

Thursdays 19<sup>th</sup> March and 2<sup>nd</sup> April at St John's Knutsford. Taster sessions provided by the North West Partnership. Note in your diary and see Richard for more details.

## HOPE CENTRAL

Hope Central needs this week: tinned fish, tinned meat (including pies) long-life fruit juice and UHT milk. All donations gratefully received.

## CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

The speaker this month is Mark Cawson. His talk is entitled 'Trying to Walk Humbly with God without Seeking Justice' - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February – 7.30pm in the church Centre. Do come! Also, please remember that membership renewal is now due. LD

## WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March at Wheelock Heath Baptist Church CW11 4RJ, 10am - 4 pm. Catherine Haddow, Christian psychologist and Biblical counsellor, will speak on 'Peace for the Anxious Soul'. The event is free (but you must book), bring your own lunch. Refreshments are provided. Booking can be done online at <http://whbc.co.uk/contact-us/register10/> Group bookings can be made through the church office if preferred. There are flyers in the church centre.

## LIFE MATTERS: ABORTION

There will be a meeting on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March from 7.30pm at Christ Church, Willaston CH64 2DL, with a presentation by Dave Brennan of the Brepheos project, for the Centre of Bio-Ethical Reform UK, followed by questions. More information available from 07734 322991.

## KNUTSFORD & TOFT YOUNG @ HEART

Tomorrow, Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 2 p.m. in TOFT CHURCH HALL. This month our speaker is Rev. Chris Slater, and he will be telling us of his ministry at St. Peter's, Rock Ferry. Many of you will know Chris, so please come along to join us. C & DJ

## THE WISDOM HOUSE

An evening with best-selling Christian author Rob Parsons, 7.30- 10.00pm on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March at the

Message Enterprise Centre, M22 4RG. Tickets £7, concessions £5, groups of 4 or more £5. Booking: [cff.org.uk/wisdom](http://cff.org.uk/wisdom), or phone 029 2081 0800.

## MUMS' LIFE EXPLORED COURSE

We will be running the introduction to Christianity course, "Life Explored", on the following dates. Any woman is very welcome to join the group though note, please, there will be childcare provided that is aimed at preschool children who move freely between their play area and the study room. For more information, or to enroll, see Richard Reeve, Jane McKinley or speak to Chris Hogg in the office (Tel: 01565 755160 / email: [office@stjohnsknutsford.org.uk](mailto:office@stjohnsknutsford.org.uk)) Session 1: Wed. 29 April / Session 2: Wed. 6 May / Session 3: Wed. 13 May / Session 4: Wed 20 May / [no meet at half term 27 May] / Session 5: Wed. 3 June / Session 6: Wed. 10 June / Session 7: Wed. 17 June.

## FEBRUARY PRISON PRAYER LETTERS

Now found in pigeon-holes! Please see Roy Evans if you would like your own copy. Spares are available in the church centre.

## SAFEGUARDING

The Bishop of Birkenhead has written to me to outline details of a new past cases review, known nationally as PCR2. All parishes are required to respond by checking records and reporting to the review all known cases of concern about the behaviour of clergy and church officers towards children and vulnerable adults. This is an important task and part of the Church's ongoing scrutiny of its handling of safeguarding files. It is being carried out to ensure our churches are safe places for everyone.

Individuals who wish to make representations to PCR2, or who need to come forward with information or make any disclosures regarding church-related abuse, are encouraged to make direct contact with the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser, Pauline Butterfield, on 07703 800031, or call the dedicated telephone helpline- 0800 80 20 20- operated independently from the Church, by the NSPCC.

Andy Worth, Safeguarding Officer, SJK 07710 806745

## UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Young@Heart, Toft
13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	S&F
	Church Fellowship
17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Half term, café and Oasis closed
21 <sup>st</sup> Feb	Cornerstone
24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Cafe and Oasis reopen
26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Home Communion
27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	SJK PCC
29 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Men's breakfast
4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Holy Communion
	Prayer Gathering
5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Lil Beatz
	Men's Book Club
	Toft Mothers' Union
6 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Lil Beatz