

<b>Mon</b>	10.00am	Oasis
9 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	Young@Heart, Toft
Mar	8.00pm	Rock Choir

Pray for those attending Young@Heart this afternoon, that all will enjoy Christian fellowship together as they marvel at God's creation.

<b>Tue</b>	9.30am	Staff Meeting
10 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Oasis
Mar	2.00pm	Toft Fellowship
	8.00pm	Home groups

Praise for all the people working all over the world to find ways of overcoming the coronavirus, and pray for a full recovery for those who have it.

<b>Wed</b>	10.00am	Rock Choir
11 <sup>th</sup>	6.15pm	May Day practice
Mar	7.30pm	Youth cells
	8.00pm	Home groups

Pray for people struggling with addictions of any kind, that they will accept they need help, and in their recovery be strengthened by the love of Jesus.

<b>Thu</b>	10.00am	Oasis
12 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Bell-ringing
Mar		Church Fellowship

Praise God for the courage given to those enabled to speak out against unnecessary abortions.

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

Pray for forgiveness for all the times when our actions and words don't reflect our faith. Pray that we can pour out Jesus' love to others, in all circumstances.

<b>Sat</b>	10.00am	NWGP youth conference at SJK
14 <sup>th</sup>		
Mar		

Praise for the gospel message that will be given at today's youth conference, and pray that much will be learned to benefit all our young people, and those who care for them.

### Sunday 15th March (Lent 3)

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

Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name... Weeping may be in the night, but joy comes with the morning.

## Today's Services Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2020

(Lent 2)

### The Collect

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of our own to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls so that we may be defended from all ills that may befall the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## St John's Knutsford Fighting the Fight: Spiritual Warfare

<b>8.45am</b> Led by: Nigel Atkinson	<b>Holy Communion</b> Preacher: Nigel Atkinson
<b>10.15am</b> Led by: Richard Reeve Ephesians 6: 10-18 (p979, 920)	<b>Morning Worship</b> Preacher: Nigel Atkinson Revelation 12: 1-9(p1034, 920)
<b>6.30pm</b> Led by: Debbie Woods	<b>Evening Worship</b> Preacher: Stephen Watson 1 Samuel 18: 1-16 (p241, 226)

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

<b>10.15am</b> Led by: Dan Young 1 Samuel 18: 1-9(p290)	<b>Holy Communion</b> Preacher: Stephen Watson 1 Samuel 18: 9-16(p290)
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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

### **WOOD STREET MISSION EASTER APPEAL**

The Wood Street Mission is very grateful to St. John's and Toft Churches for their generous donations of cash, children's clothing, bedding, toiletries and baby food. This year the charity is looking to increase the work of its Literacy Campaigns and are requesting that **NEW CHILDREN'S BOOKS** are donated rather than Easter Eggs. This is an opportunity to give Christian books as they are pleased to receive these. Thank you for your continued support.  
JMck and CB

### **KNUTSFORD & TOFT YOUNG @ HEART**

Tomorrow, Monday 9th March at 2 p.m. in TOFT CHURCH HALL. Our speaker, Mavis Britnell is unable to come this month so Bob Loveridge has kindly stepped in and will show one of his Natural History DVDs. Mavis will come along on May 11th to speak on the East Cheshire Eye Society. Please note that there will be NO Young @ Heart in April as it is Easter Monday on the date we would have met. We look forward to seeing you on 9th March. If anyone requires transport please let us know.  
Chris & Diana Jones tel. 01565 651889

### **COURSE TASTER EVENINGS – NORTHWEST GOSPEL PARTNERSHIP**

Thursdays 19 March + 2 April, 7-9.30pm.  
Sessions: 1.) "Bible handling tools" - How to read and explain the Bible faithfully; 2.) An overview of the Bible. These will be provided to us free by Mark Pickles of the North West Gospel Partnership and be ideal for anyone who leads others in looking at the Bible. To book your place see Richard (rbreeve@macace.net).

### **HOPE CENTRAL**

Hope Central urgent needs this week: tinned meat, tinned fish and jars of Bolognese sauce please.

### **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.

### **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 ) 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.

### **THE WISDOM HOUSE**

An evening with best-selling Christian author Rob Parsons, 7.30- 10.00pm on Thursday 19th March at the Message Enterprise Centre, M22 4RG. Tickets £7,

concessions £5, groups of 4 or more £5. Booking: cff.org.uk/wisdom, or phone 029 2081 0800.

### **NORTHWEST GOSPEL PARTNERSHIP YOUTH CONFERENCE**

For the last time, we are pleased to be able to host this conference on 14<sup>th</sup> March from 10-4. Ed Shaw is the guest speaker, and well worth hearing. The conference is open to parents and all who work with children. It's a superb opportunity to hear how to share the gospel with the young. Bookings can be made via Chris J or Chris H by today. More information can be found on the flyers in the church centre, or on the NWP website.

### **TOFT FELLOWSHIP**

Our meetings continue at Christine Squirrell's home, 7, The Hill, Parkfield Rd WA16 8NP, on Tuesdays from 2 - 3.30, a Lenten series looking at Contentment.

### **NEW BIBLES**

SJK have some new Bibles, but the page numbers are different. If you have a Bible with a red spot on the cover, please refer to the 2<sup>nd</sup> page number on the notice sheet/screen.

### **MEN'S BREAKFAST**

Saturday 28th March, 9am. Venue: The Angel, King Street. Speaker: Robert Larkman of Hope Central. Bookings are made by the advance purchase of a ticket from Richard or from the church office at £6.00.

### **CHURCH FELLOWSHIP**

We welcome Bill & Elaine Tamkin to our meeting on Thursday 12th March at 7.30pm. This meeting will be of special interest to those of you who are sponsoring one of the boys or girls who attend St. Anna's School – you may recall that Bill & Elaine returned to Kenya last summer so they will have news and pictures etc. of your sponsored children. In addition there will be a PowerPoint presentation of their visit. We would love to see a really good turnout in support of Bill & Elaine, so if you are free, please do come along. LD

### **TOFT COFFEE MORNING**

On Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March, from 10am till 12 noon, do come along to Toft to support the work of the Children's Society.

### **PRISON PRAYER LETTERS**

March prayer letters are in your pigeon-holes, with spares in the church centre. Please see Roy Evans if you'd like your own copy.

### **UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES**

9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Young@Heart, Toft
14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	NWP youth conference, SJK
19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	NWP training session
20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Cornerstone
21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Children's Society Coffee Morning, Toft
22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Thanksgiving & Baptism
25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Home Communion
28 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Men's' breakfast
1 <sup>st</sup> Apr	Holy Communion
	Prayer Gathering
2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr	NWGP: Bible handling tools
4 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Toft Prayer Meeting