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29th
Mar

Pray for comfort for all who have lost loved ones due to Covid. Pray too for greater care for the vulnerable, and spiritual revival across the world.

Tue | 2.00pm Toft Fellowship via Zoom
30th | 7.45pm Service Station via Zoom
Mar

Praise God for all those who fight against injustice in all its forms, all over the world.

Wed | 11am David Cole: burial of ashes
31st | 5pm Lent Prayers via Zoom
Mar

Pray for all who reach out to help others in the power of the gospel, whether medics, emergency services, the armed forces, justice campaigners or in the Church.

Thu | MAUNDY THURSDAY
1st | 6.30pm Live Holy Communion @SJK
Apr | Youth Group Bible Studies via Zoom
6pm Years 6-9
7.45pm Years 10-13

Praise God for Easter, and pray for our ministry team as they bring us the good news of Christ's redeeming love this weekend.

Fri | GOOD FRIDAY
2nd | 2.00pm Zoom service
Apr

Praise God for sending his beloved Son to die on the cross, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Sat
3rd
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Pray that God's people may be peacemakers, encouraging reconciliation wherever it is needed. Pray for wisdom, courage and favour to those trying to do this with little hope of agreement.

Sunday 4th April Easter Day

Knutsford 10.15 Live Holy Communion service also on YouTube

Toft 10.15 Live Holy Communion service

The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God my Saviour!

Sunday 28th March 2021 (Palm Sunday)

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who, in your tender love towards mankind, sent your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ, to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, so that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility, grant that we may both follow the example of his patience and also have our part in his resurrection, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

St Johns Knutsford and St Johns Toft

May They Be With Me Forever

Led by Nigel Atkinson Preacher: Tom Hollingsbee

Reading: Psalm 8 and John 17: 20-26

Our live-streamed service is broadcast at 10.15am on YouTube.

Our URL is

<https://www.youtube.com/stjohnsknutsford>

Everyone is invited to the Zoom after-service coffee-time at **11.30**. We also have a family Zoom at **11.15** for families with primary-aged-children. Email the office for the log-in details if you haven't received them.

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 (01565 632834) or our Associate Vicar Tom (01565 755160 or 01565 631606)

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Knutsford Twitter @knutsfordstjohn

Days off: Fridays: Helen & Tom; Saturdays: Nigel.

CHURCH SERVICES

Live services will resume at both churches next week. See Nigel's letter for further details. Contact the church office to book for the Maundy Thursday and/or Easter Day Holy Communion services.

KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH SERMONS

Are you a member of SJK or Toft but don't have access to YouTube? We have a facility to offer if you would like to listen to sermons on your phone. You can ring 01565 743743, at any time, for the cost of a local phone call, and listen to the sermons that have been preached since lockdown began. They are added to each week. There are clear instructions at the beginning to tell you what to do. If you would prefer a DVD of the whole service, please contact the office, as we produce them too. They are being distributed to church family and local care homes on request. Thank you to the people who are involved in enabling these initiatives. Sermons are, of course, still available on the church website and as podcasts.

HOPE CENTRAL

At the moment, Hope Central have lower stocks of small bags of rice, fruit juice, pasta sauce, tinned fish (not tuna), tinned vegetables and biscuits. Food is still the priority, but if you want to add soap, shower gel or household/laundry cleaning items these are also much appreciated. Financial contributions are also gratefully received, to enable the development of other support services planned for the near future.

This Easter, Hope Central will be including 'The Real Easter Egg' from Meaningful Chocolate Company in our hampers for all children of families we support. If you would like to help us share the real meaning of Easter with children please consider supporting our campaign to raise enough for 300 eggs by following the link below. Each egg costs £4.50:
virginmoneygiving.com/fund/HopeCentralEasterEggs
Thank you.

LOCKDOWN RESTRICTIONS

We regret that Church Hill Café will remain closed until restrictions are lifted in May. The church office will be back to normal from tomorrow, Monday 29th March from 9 until 12.30 weekdays. If you need to visit, please wear a mask and observe social distancing.

CHURCH FAMILY

Although we are still limited in our ability to see each other, please be aware of those people known to you who may be unwell or living alone. A phone call can make all the difference to someone's day.

CAN YOU HELP WOOD STREET MISSION MAKE EASTER EXTRA SPECIAL?

In addition to the Crisis service for families in need in Manchester and Salford Wood Street Mission is starting a Books Forever 2021 Appeal.

The project will provide children in low income families with new books which will be distributed through book clubs, Book Roadshows and local schools.

Please donate books suitable for children aged 0-16 years to WS by Friday 16th April. Books can be sent direct from the retailer. Financial donations are also very welcome through the website.

www.woodstreetmission.org.uk

WS are unable to make collections from St John's at the moment but Rachel Sampson (166 Grove Park) is happy to take donations of children's clothing and books until collections resume.

Once again we thank you for your generous support. Blessings from CB & JMCK

DAILY HOPE PHONE LINE

DailyHope, a free national telephone line, offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of the phone. The line – which is available 24 hours a day on **0800 804 8044** – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind; to provide comfort and spiritual nourishment to the most isolated in our society. It is free.

BRITISH SUMMERTIME

The clocks go forward one hour at 1am this Sunday, 28th March, so if you tune in to YouTube at 10.15 GMT, you'll have missed our service!