

Sunday 27th February 2022
(Sunday before Lent)

Lord, you have taught us that whatever we do without love is worth nothing, send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and all virtues; for without love whoever lives is reckoned dead by you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

St Johns Knutsford

8.30am Holy Communion
Led by: Tom Hollingsbee Speaker: Hannah Dobson

10.15am All Age Service
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1 Kings 11: 1-13(p291) James 3: 13-18 (p1012)

6.30pm Evening Service
Leader: Stephen Watson Preacher: Tom Hollingsbee
James 3: 13-18 (p1012)

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 **11.45**. Email the office for the log-in details if you haven't received them.

St John's Toft

10.15am Holy Communion
Led by: Dan Young Preacher: Helen Eccles
Psalm 37: 1-11 (p563) James 4: 1-10 (p1215)

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

Mon 10.00am Cafe re-opens
28th 8.00pm Rock Choir (church)
Feb

Praise God that he is in control, and that he hears our prayers as we cry out to him.

Tue 2.00pm Toft Fellowship on Zoom
1st 7.30pm Toft Fellowship on Zoom
Mar 8.00pm Tatton Singers (church)

Pray for Ukraine, for all the politicians involved in the conflict, and for the peacemakers, that God will be seen to be working through them.

Wed Ash Wednesday
2nd 9.30am Women's Community Group
Mar (centre)
10.00am Rock Choir (church)
12.30pm Toft Lenten Communion & lunch

Praise God for this Lent season, and pray that he will help us to prepare our hearts as we focus on Jesus and his ministry.

Thu 10.00am Oasis
3rd 10am- Adam Partridge (church)
Mar 4pm

Pray for Christians living in conflict, that they will be upheld by the Holy Spirit and encouraged by the love of those around them.

Fri 7.00pm Charity Concert (church)
4th
Mar

Praise God for his love, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Pray that we will all use our gifts to support and love each other.

Sat 10am- Glynn Harrison speaking at
5th 2pm Hartford
Mar

Pray for our politicians, that they will lead our country with honesty and integrity.

Sunday 6th March (Lent 1)

Knutsford 8.30 am Holy Communion
10.15am Morning Worship
6.30pm Evening Service
Toft 10.15am Morning Prayer

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty. It is good give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to his name.

HOPE CENTRAL

Hope Central has current needs of instant mash, tinned potatoes, tinned pulses, sweetcorn, UHT semi-skimmed milk, squash, sweets and biscuit bars. Thank you for your continued generosity. Financial contributions are also very welcome, both to buy food and to enable the development of other support services we are starting to offer.

WOOD STREET MISSION

Many families in Manchester and Salford are struggling to cope and the Wood Street Mission offers vital support in times of need. St John's Knutsford and Toft help with this work by collecting donations of: Children's clothing for ages 5-16, both new and second hand, including good quality school uniform; new toys; brand new and second-hand children's books; baby equipment; unopened packs of nappies; new toiletries; good quality second-hand or new bedding & towels. Donations can be left in the Wood Street cupboard in the entrance to the Church Centre and are always gratefully received. You can also leave them at Rachel Sampson's home: 166 Grove Park. Contact the office for her phone number. JMCK & CB

ROYAL KNUTSFORD MAYDAY

If you would like to help us serve refreshments to the people of Knutsford on Saturday 7th May, please attend a meeting this Sunday (27th February) after church in the Church Centre.

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The World Day of Prayer (previously called the Women's World Day of Prayer) will be held this year at 1.30pm at the church of St Cross in Knutsford. This year the service has been written by the ladies of England, Scotland and Wales and everyone will be very welcome. Social distancing will be observed and sadly refreshments will not be served but we do hope you will join in this ecumenical occasion. Margaret Olliver

LENT COMMUNION AT TOFT

Starting on Ash Wednesday, 2nd March, there will be a service of Holy Communion at Toft church at 12.30pm for 5 weeks, which will be followed by a simple lunch. All are welcome.

CORNERSTONE COFFEE MORNING

Cornerstone are happy and excited to announce that they will be holding their Mission Coffee Morning on Saturday April 23rd from 10-2pm. Please make this event a priority in your diaries and come along to support our lovely church family group.

TOFT CHURCHYARD TIDY-UP

On Saturday 12th March we are tidying up the churchyard and would be very grateful and pleased to see as many as are available. We will start at 10.30, coffee and tea will be available, and Val and Jane are happy to serve a brunch at 12 o'clock where we can

come together to share ideas for going forward. Look forward to seeing you!! Jane and Val

GEORGE GIBSON

George, who used to worship at SJK with his wife Jackie, recently passed away. There is to be a Service of Thanksgiving for his life at Wheelock Heath Baptist Church, Hassall Rd, Winterley, Sandbach CW11 4RJ on Tuesday 8th March at 2pm. All friends are welcome to attend. More details in the office if required.

ENGAGING WITH THE SEXUAL REVOLUTION

Glynn Harrison will be speaking at St Johns Hartford on Saturday 5th March from 10-2. He is asking the question: How can we tell a better story? There is no need to book, but take your own lunch. Email; cdef@stjohnshartford.org for details of the private livestream and remote access to the Q&A sessions. Glynn is Emeritus Professor of Psychiatry and a retired consultant psychiatrist. More details available in the church office.

THE KNITTED BIBLE EXHIBITION AT TOFT

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to all, who, despite the terribly stormy weather, came to support The Children's Society over the last 6 days. We have collected over £1,000 and there are still donations coming in! If you were unable to come and would like to donate, please contact Val Brooker, 01565 650374. We are hoping to hold our next Children's Society lunch in October this year. On behalf of all the children we help, thank you.

ELECTORAL ROLL

We will be revising the church electoral roll soon. If you attend either church regularly and would like to join our rolls, please ask a church warden or the church office for an application form.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

28 th Feb	Café re-opens
2 nd March	Lenten Communion and lunch (Toft)
3 rd March	Adam Partridge Valuations (church)
4 th March	Charity Concert (church)
5 th March	May Day meeting (church & centre)
9 th March	S&F (centre)
11 th March	Charles Hanson (centre) Office closed
12 th March	Family Prayer Meeting (church) Toft Churchyard Tidy Up
14 th March	Office closed
19 th March	Rock Choir Coffee Morning (church & Centre)
20 th March	Cornerstone
22 nd March	May Day court rehearsal (centre)
25 th March	Charles Hanson (centre)
26 th March	Tatton Singers Concert (church)