



MARCH/APRIL

2017

Through Lent to Easter

The Barna Research Group recently did a study on the biggest temptations people say they face. The survey was conducted anonymously. What do you think are the most destructive temptations people face today? Would it be the seven deadly sins of lust, gluttony, greed, sloth, anger, envy and pride?

The Top Five temptations may surprise you. The number one is worry. "I fret too much. I don't trust God as I know I should." Second is procrastination. "I

endlessly put things off and don't face up." Number three: overeating. Fourth: spending too much time on social media. And at five: laziness. "I'm just a bit of a slob."

Lent is a time of year when Christians traditionally get tough on these kinds of issues. We confront our attitudes to sin because it distances us from God. Sin is rebellion and if we allow it to rule our lives we can drift inexorably away from Christ – with no guarantee we will ever come back. How seriously we take

Lent can actually be a matter of spiritual life and death.

Lent is like an MRI scan that shows us the frightening scale of our spiritual heart disease. But it's one thing having a diagnosis; Easter makes the heart transplant possible.

I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh (Ezekiel 36.26).



John Lambert
Priest-in-Charge

MAR/APR 2017 DATES

SUNDAY MORNING

9am (Traditional)

5 Mar - Holy Communion
12 Mar - Holy Communion
19 Mar - Service of the Word
26 Mar - Holy Communion
9 Apr - Holy Communion
16 Apr - Easter Holy Communion
23 Apr - Holy Communion
30 Apr - Service of the Word

10am

2 Apr – APCM Service

10.30am (Contemporary)

5 Mar - Worship Word Ministry
12 Mar - Service of the Word
19 Mar - Engage
26 Mar - Holy Communion
9 Apr - Worship Word Ministry
16 Apr - Easter Engage
23 Apr - Service of the Word
30 Apr - Holy Communion

DECISION MAKING

Extraordinary Meeting for Reordering

Sat 18 Mar, 10am, Church

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Sun 2 Apr, 10am, Church

PRAYER

Ablaze Prayer Meeting

Sun 5 Mar, 6pm, Centre
Sun 2 Apr, 6pm, Centre

Morning Prayer

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri, 9am Chapel

Half Night of Prayer

Thu 13 Apr 7pm-Midnight, Chapel

MIDWEEK

Treasure Seekers

Wed 22 Mar, 5pm
Wed 26 Apr, 5pm

3G

Mon 13 Mar, 7.30pm, Centre
Mon 27 Mar, 7.30pm, Centre

Connect Lunch Club

Tue 14 Mar, 11.45am, Centre

Connect Seated Exercises

Tue 12.30pm (2pm on Lunch Club day), Centre

Informal Holy Communion

Wed 9.30am, Chapel

YOUTH

Detached Outreach

Tuesdays 6pm, Preston Park

Café Church

14 Mar 7-8.30pm, Yarm Costa
4 Apr, 7-8.30pm, Yarm Costa

House-Build Mission Trip

Fri 7 – Tue 18 April, Mexico

Refresh Youth Service

Sun 19 Mar, 6pm, Centre
Sun, 23 Apr, 6pm, Centre

Life Groups

Tue 6-7.30pm (Years 7-9)
Wed 6-8pm (Years 10-13)

FUN AND GAMES

John Archer Comedy Magic

Night

Fri 3 Mar, 7.30pm, Church

OTHER

Spring Clean

Sat 1 Apr, 10am-12pm

Welcome Lunch

Sun 9 Apr, 1pm

LEADERSHIP

Standing Committee

Mon 6 Mar, 7.30pm, Vicarage
Mon 3 Apr, 7.30pm, Vicarage

PCC

Mon 20 Mar, 7.30pm, Library
Mon 2 Apr, 7.30pm, Library

Ministry Development Team

Wed 8 Mar, 7.30pm, Vicarage

Pastoral Care Team

Thu 23 Mar, 7.30pm
Thu 20 Apr, 7.30pm

CHILDREN

Toddlers

Thu (Term-Time) 9.30am, Centre

Play and Praise

Fri (Term-Time) 10.15am, Centre

Messy Church

Sun 12 Mar, 3.30pm

Puppet Practice

Tue, 7pm, Centre

Schools Easter Puppets

Wed 28 Mar or 4 Apr



CONNECT

CONNECT Lunch Club

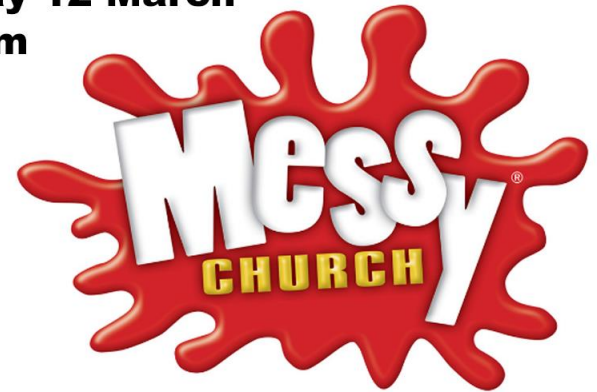
Tuesday 14 March
11.45am
All Saints' Centre

THEOLOGY FOR EVERYONE

at Stockton Parish Church

25 Mar, 20 May, 17 Jun, 15 Jul, 16 Sep, 14 Oct, 18 Nov
<http://allsaints-church.net/photogallery/theology-for-everyone/>

Sunday 12 March
3.30pm



NEW TO ALL SAINTS'
CHURCH?

WELCOME LUNCH

JOIN US AFTER THE 10.30AM
SERVICE ON 9 APRIL @ 1PM