



**TATTENHALL  
HANDLEY  
& BURWARDSLEY  
PARISH NEWS**

**FEBRUARY 2020**

# Lent



## Theme: Forgiveness and Reconciliation

Come and join us we discuss all aspects of Forgiveness and Reconciliation

Groups will be meeting in St Alban's Community Room every Wednesday from the 4th March to the 1st April.

Time- 8pm-9pm

All are Welcome



## 3 Churches Together

**St Alban's, All Saints & St John's will be celebrating together at St John's in Burwardsley on Sunday 9th February @ 10:30am. All Welcome!**

There will be no 10:30am service at St Alban's on this day. 8am will take place as usual.

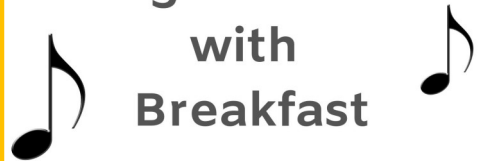
## Your Church is Open



St Alban's Church is open everyday from 10am until 5pm

You are always welcome

## Songs of Praise with Breakfast



Come and join us on the first Sunday of the Month for a 9:45am breakfast

Followed by your favourite hymns



and songs chosen by you!



## Father Lameck

### Nothing Lasts Forever (Colossians 3:1-4)

#### A New Year Message

2019 is over. 2020 is here.

As we stand here at the beginning of a New Year, it is a good time to reflect on the year that is ending and look forward into the year that is soon to begin. It is also a good time for God's people to take inventory of their walk with the Lord.

We should take a very close look at where we are in our relationship with Him. We need to examine ourselves and see where we have been, where we are and where the Lord wants us to be. This passage gives us the opportunity and the challenge to do just that. We may have had some challenges in the past year, but we cannot continue to focus on that. We need to look ahead for a brighter tomorrow.

We had our elections just before Christmas and whatever those results mean to you, life has to continue. You might have had your fair share of issues in the past year, but you cannot continue to be stuck on the crossroads of confusion. That period is now in the

past and we have to focus to what lies ahead. Paul challenges us to set our minds on things that are above where Christ is, not on things that are below. In our spiritual lives, the same thing is true. Some things have to be let go.

There are some things that try to attach themselves to our lives that are just plain trash. Those things need to be kicked to the curb. Other things simply do not have a place in our lives and those things need to be let go. Paul tells us in verse 2 that we are to focus our thoughts on Heavenly things. While we do that, we are to avoid getting caught up in all the things in this world that would swamp our minds and hinder our walk. If we allowed the mind to focus on this world it would have no time to give itself to the things of God. Here in Colossians Paul mentions some dangerous distractions that would hinder our walk if they were allowed to.

*Happy New Year to you all.*



St Alban's Church

Jumble Sale

Saturday  
February 29th 2020  
11-2pm

We will be accepting  
donations from January,  
please leave in Church  
(10am-5pm)



# The Churches of Tattenhall, Handley and Burwardsley

## Churches without Walls

**Rector: Rev. Canon Lameck Mutete, The Rectory, Tattenhall 770245**

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Handley  
Burwardsley

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Alex Park 771556  
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770482  
Christine Walley 771976  
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### Diocesan News

Hundreds of gifts donated to prisoners as Journey into Light comes to an end. After 14 months, [Journey into Light the art exhibition has come to an end](#), but the journey continues for many who are feeling broken hearted and lost in our prisons and communities. The final exhibition and thanksgiving service at St George's, Stockport was a fitting finale to the exhibition that has inspired and challenged those who have seen it. Archdeacon Ian, who led the thanksgiving service, says: "The Christmas gifts show to those in prison this Christmas, just how much the people of the Diocese of Chester love them, are thinking and praying for them. We would like the very best for them as their futures unfold."

### Diocese of Chester announces Lay Conference 2020

The Diocese of Chester has announced details of its Lay Conference 2020. It will be held on the weekend of 15 to 17 May and is open to all lay church members. The Lay Conference will be titled: Not Just Sunday: #Everyday Faith and will explore how we can encourage each other to live out our faith confidently every day of the week, Not just Sunday. The Lay Conference Planning Group is writing to all PCC Secretaries this week, as the initial parish contact, to explain how the booking will work. More details will be announced in the E-Bulletin soon.

### Deanery News

Our next Deanery Chapter meeting is at Tarpooley on 3<sup>rd</sup> February at Malpas Church.

### Church News

### 'Our Three Churches Together' Upcoming Events



### From The Diary

Father Lameck will be away on holiday during the month of January but will be back in office on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February.

**Our Three Sister Churches;** Tattenhall, All Saints and Burwardsley continue to celebrate their festivals as one. Last year all these were well attended and attracted visitors and friends from around our villages. Here are the dates for the three churches in 2020.

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Burwardsley Church	9th February	Time 10.30am
Tattenhall Church	28th June	Time 10.30am
All Saints Church	1 <sup>st</sup> November	Time 9.15 am

Please note that this year we are having the Songs of Praise Service at Burwardsley Church at 10.30am and not 4.30pm as in previous years. There will be no 10:30am service at St Alban's that morning but the 8.00am service will take place as normal.

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Day** is the traditional feast day before the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday.

**Lent** is the 40 days leading up to Easter. It is traditionally a time to mark the beginning of fasting and on Shrove Tuesday, Anglo-Saxon Christians went to confession and were "shriven" (absolved from their sins).

This year we have our Pancake Day Race on Tuesday **25<sup>th</sup> February**. The Pancake race will take place on Church Bank at 4.00pm. All children are invited to attend. This year, we will be able to provide some pans and pancakes so don't worry if you don't get time to make them or forget to bring them to school!

### **Rector's Supper 25<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

It is that time of the year again when the Rector comes together with all parishioners for what is known as the 'Rector's Supper'. The idea is to have a meal together and after the meal, listen to an invited speaker. We are still in process of finalising the details so please check our website for further details nearer the time. All are welcome.

### **Ash Wednesday**

This year we celebrate this service on **26th February**. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. Ash Wednesday is a significant day on the Christian calendar, denoting the beginning of the repentant period of Lent which precedes Easter. This is the day many Christians mark as the first day of Lent, the time of reflection and penitence leading up to Easter Sunday. As they "impose" or "dispense" the **ashes**, the priest reminds each Christian of Genesis 3:19: "For dust you are and to dust you shall return. There will be two Communion Services at Tattenhall Church with the imposition of ashes in the morning at 10.00am and 7.30pm. All our parishioners from the three parishes are invited to attend.

### **Lenten Course 2020**

#### **The Lenten Theme "Forgiveness and Reconciliation"**

Our Lenten Course for this year, will be a forum for discussing **forgiveness and reconciliation – between individuals, in communities of various kinds, including churches, and whole societies or nations.**

It will run every Wednesday from 4<sup>th</sup> March to 1<sup>st</sup> April in the Community Room 8pm-9pm. [The season of Lent](#) presents to us God's infinite love for all humankind. So many teachings in the gospel emphasize the mercy of God, which is surely one of the reasons the Gospels are constantly read. Anyone from the village and surrounding area is welcome

## ST ALBAN'S CHURCH, TATTENHALL

<b>SERVICES</b>	Sunday mornings	8.00am
		and 10.30am
	Wednesday	10.00am



### Appreciation

Father Lameck would like to thank all those who donated generously to the 'run for cancer for the Hospice of the Good Shepherd on 3<sup>rd</sup> November. The total raised to date is over £2000.00

### Become a *Friend of St Alban's Church Building, Tattenhall*

The St Alban's site has been a place of worship for over a thousand years. The present church was rebuilt in 1869/70 although the tower dates back to the early 16<sup>th</sup> century.

It is a beautiful Grade 11\* listed building and is there for EVERYONE to enjoy. You may not be a regular churchgoer but St Alban's is there for you too whenever needed, for whatever reason. Happy occasions like weddings and baptisms when the bells ring out joyously; or, for those wanting to arrange a funeral or a memorial service. Some may seek peace and solace at difficult times of their lives. It is unlikely any one will go through the whole of their life without needing the church. It is also enjoyed by local residents who simply wish to preserve part of their local heritage.

The *Friends of St Alban's Church Building* is a charity completely separate from the church. It exists to help fund the repair, maintenance and improvement of the building and grounds as well as look after the fittings and ornaments. This work is important and necessary if this beautiful place is to be preserved and protected for future generations to use as you do today.

If you would like to be part of ensuring St Alban's future please become a *Friend of St Alban's Church Building, Tattenhall*.

Please contact Rob Selby on 01829 770586 or Cathy Kitchin at [cathykitchin@gmail.com](mailto:cathykitchin@gmail.com) for more information.

*"Putting St Alban's first to make it last"*

### Festive Services

#### Carol Service

Thanks to the augmented Christmas Carol choir for their wonderful performance and also the flower ladies who worked tirelessly in the decoration of our church during the Christmas period. This was the second year running when Tattenhall Singers have joined our choir during the Carol Service. We give thanks to both choir director, Georgina, and all members of the congregation for their attendance.

#### Christmas Services

The midnight Christmas Service was well attended and on Christmas morning, we had more than 38 visitors who came to worship with us from Gloucestershire. It was a bus load of joyful worshippers who were spending their Christmas holiday at Carden Park.

## **The Park School Nativity Service**

The church would once again like to thank the Park School for exhibiting their Nativity Play in church as well as their rehearsals for the second year running. As usual, the church was full and all those who came enjoyed every minute of their stay.

The school last year managed to hold all their Easter and Christmas activities in Church and we hope this relationship will continue in the future. The year 6 also attended a Wednesday Communion Service in December and took part in prayers and bible reading. We wish them all a Happy New Year.

## **Church Diary**

Please note that on **9<sup>th</sup> February**, we will only have one service at 8.00am. At 10.30am on that Sunday, we are having our 'Three Churches Together' at St John's Burwardsley. As part of our tradition, all the three parishes meet and worship together for the Patronal festival.

- P.C.C. Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 6.00pm in the Community Room
- Annual Parochial Church Meeting and Annual Parish Meeting  
Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March after the service in church.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (which elects the Churchwardens) and the Annual Parish Meeting (which elects the P.C.C. and hears reports from all church organisations e.t.c.) are open to all parishioners, but only those on the Electoral Roll are allowed to vote. All parishioners are invited to attend, and if you would like your name to be added to the Electoral Roll please contact the Parish Secretary; Jack Raine on 01829 770976. on or before 29<sup>th</sup> March.

## **From The Records**

Baptism Madeline Lily Andrews 17<sup>th</sup> November

*The Rector, Churchwardens and all members of the P.C.C. would like to wish you a Happy New Year.*

## **ALL SAINTS CHURCH, HANDLEY**

On the 3rd November saw our 'Three sister Churches' coming together for a joint All Saints Family Service. It was a well attended service and some parishioners who had lost their loved ones during the year under review, were given an opportunity to light a candle in memory of their loved ones. Our next joint service this year as the three churches at our church will be on the 1st November 2020 at 09.15am.

### **Christmas Festival Services**

The Church would also like to thank the augmented Christmas Carol choir for their excellent performance during our Carol Service and the flower ladies who worked tirelessly in the cleaning and decoration of our church during the Christmas period. God bless you all. As usual, the Carol and the Christmas Service were both well attended. We wish you all a Happy New Year.



## Handley Services

Please note that we have two church services every month unless advertised. We have a Family Service on the first Sunday of every month and a Communion Service on the third Sunday. Anyone is most welcome to any of the two services. Please note that all the services start at 9.15 am.

### **P.C.C. - Our next meeting: 19<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at The Old Rectory, Handley**

*The Rector, Churchwardens and all members of the P.C.C. would like to wish you a Happy New Year.*

## ST JOHN'S CHURCH, BURWARDSLEY

### SERVICES

A special thanks for all who took part in our Christmas Carol Service this year. Although the attendance was not very high in comparison with the previous year, everyone enjoyed the singing and refreshments after. Many thanks to all those who managed to make it at our annual Pheasant Carol singing during the week leading to Christmas.



### **The Annual Parochial Church Meeting and the Meeting of Parishioners**

These two meetings will take place on Tuesday the 31st March at 2pm. Although much of the business of the meetings is of a formal character, it is none the less important, and we urge all who worship at All Saints to be present. The matters under review include the election of Church Wardens, Councillors and Sidesmen.

### **The next P.C.C. meeting will be on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at the Rectory**

### **Church Services for February and March 2020**

9<sup>th</sup> February- Songs of Praise: Our 'Three Churches Together' at 10:30am (**please note change of time**)

23<sup>rd</sup> February Eucharist

8<sup>th</sup> March Songs of Praise

22<sup>nd</sup> March Communion Service 9.15am

*The Rector, Churchwardens and all members of the P.C.C. would like to wish you a Happy New Year.*



**Hä, Hä, Hä...**

A man is talking to God.

"God, how long is a million years?"

God answers, "To me,

*it's about a minute."*

"God, how much is a million dollars?"

*"To me, it's a penny."*

"God, may I have a penny?"

*"Wait a minute."*



### Soup & Pudding

Please join us for soup and pudding in St. Alban's Community Room on the first Friday of every month.

£3 12-2pm



## OBITUARY

**William Robert Dunham**, who passed away at home on 2nd November 2019, was born in Aylesbury in August 1939. After the war the family moved to Hampstead where Robert's father was a doctor. Following many years at Saint Paul's school, Hammersmith, Robert won a scholarship to Lincoln College, Oxford, where he studied Classics.

Changing direction, he trained as a doctor at Guy's Hospital, London, and married Kate with whom he had two sons, Keith and Mark. Subsequently he spent time at Exeter and Glasgow hospitals before taking up a post as consultant microbiologist at Arrowe Park Hospital on the Wirral. In 2000 he met Elaine and they married in 2003 so Robert came to live in Tattenhall. He became involved in village societies and was a member of Probus, U3A and the Bridge Club plus being a regular worshipper at Bickerton and Burwardsley churches. Robert was a very modest, intelligent person with a certain degree of eccentricity! He will be missed by many people, not least Elaine.

### TATTENHALL LOCAL HISTORY

#### 75 YEAR ERROR CORRECTED

#### PRIVATE ROBERT THOMAS JENKINS

In September 2019 an article appeared in Tattenhall OnLine regarding the correction of an error on WW11 plaque on the War Memorial, which was reworked. The background on Private Robert Thomas Jenkins was included. In addition to the error on the plaque a correction was also required to the "Roll of Honour" book which is kept in the Church.

After some searching a highly skilled calligrapher, Hilary Lewis, based in Sandbach was contacted and indicated that she would be able to help in doing what was thought to be virtually impossible; namely to correct the error so that it would not be noticed. For those of you with an interest in the process she describes it as follows;

**" The first step in carrying out the correction to this fine Copperplate script was to revise the forms at the same size as the initials are written at, which is 6mm high. I can only marvel at the skill level of the original scribe, and the job was a pleasure to do on so many levels**

**Assessing the materials that would have been used wasn't difficult, it would have been gouache and a pointed nib by Joseph Gilot, of which I chose a vintage one, to match the style of the calligraphy.**

**The minimum amount of disturbance of the paper fibres was desirable and the unwanted areas of black were scraped away with a surgical scalpel. The fibres were burnished flat and finely ground gum sandarac dusted over the surface to minimise the chances of the gouache bleeding. After allowing the fresh ink to dry the final stage was to scrape away a remaining bit of black ink and burnish again."**

Every one who has seen the correction agrees that it is invisible and it was carried out in time for the book to be returned to the Church for the Remembrance Service.

Our thanks go to Hilary Lewis of Sandbach for her immense skill and patience and to the Friends of St Albans who funded this work.



### **The Loss Cafe**

Have you lost someone in your life who was dear to you? Do you feel that you have no one to talk to; nowhere to go; that nobody seems to understand how you're feeling anymore?

Why not come along to the loss café and take that weight off your shoulders, where you can get a cup of tea and cake in a friendly environment while talking, listening or sharing your journey with like-minded people.

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**VENUE:** The Community Room at the rear of St Albans Church Tattenhall.

**Date** 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020

**Time** 10am

**Contact:** Tel: 01829 771624

**Email:** [aj.yatesbtinternet.com](mailto:aj.yatesbtinternet.com)

## **TATTENHALL OVER FIFTIES (TOFS)**

Chairman: Noel Atkinson 01829 770808

What a lovely Christmas was had by TOF's.

The food was superb at the Christmas lunch at Carriages; many thanks to Paul, Diane and staff for their hospitality.

After lunch we had a visit from the Lord Mayor of Chester, Cllr Mark Williams, who presented a bouquet and cake to Alice Ellam to mark her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

The Lord Mayor also drew the raffle and everyone went home with a prize.

Thank you to Katherine for the cake and Josie for the special card

Celebrations were rounded off with a visit to Llandudno to see Sleeping Beauty, which was great fun, and yet again the weather was kind to those who wanted to walk along the prom and clear a few cobwebs.

The meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> January was a fun quiz which was won by Jean W, Joyce and Keith. There was also discussion

about possible coach trips for the forthcoming season with some good ideas put forward.

At the meeting on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February there will be entertainment and at the meeting on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March there will be a talk from financial advisers Illingworth Seddon.

The meeting on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April will be the Easter Bingo which is open to anyone in the community. If members have any items they could donate as prizes it would be appreciated.

It's a new year of new speakers and entertainers and new places to visit but TOF's will still be meeting on the first Thursday of every month in the Barbour Institute between 2.00 and 4.00 pm.

We're not very formal but are a fun and friendly group so why not give us a try. Come along and be a TOF.

# Is there enough to do for young People in Tattenhall?

Come and join the  
Tattenhall YOUTH Council

What improvements do you want to see in Tattenhall for young people?



Do you want your voice heard in our local community?

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...leading and running projects for the young people of Tattenhall

...learning about how decisions are made at local level and being involved in village activities? (It looks great on a University/college/job application form)

You may be interested in volunteering for the new and exciting **Tattenhall Youth Council**. Meetings will be approximately every two months where you can have your say about the community and the developments that you want to see.

If you are aged between 10 – 18 yrs old and interested,  
please contact the Clerk on [tattenhallpc@outlook.com](mailto:tattenhallpc@outlook.com)  
or contact Louise Gibson (Cllr) on [lmgibson1979@icloud.com](mailto:lmgibson1979@icloud.com)

by **1<sup>st</sup> March 2020**

# Tattenhall

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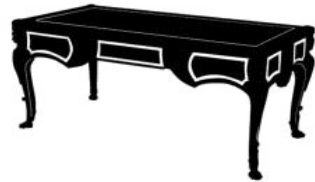
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Chairman: Iain Keeping

Having wished everyone a Happy New Year, at the beginning of the January meeting, a cheque for £1,398 was presented by Councillor Keeping to the NW Air Ambulance which represented the proceeds from the 'Squirrel Trail'.

During Public Participation the Tattenhall Primary School Parent Teacher Friends Association (PTFA) requesting funding to support drainage of the school playing field. The school is expanding so having an adequate play and sports area is important. The work would need to be done in the summer of 2020 and the estimate for drainage is around £30k, towards which the PTFA have already raised £13K, but they would be looking for a donation from the CIL (Community Infrastructure levy). This topic was an agenda item during the meeting and after some initial debate it was concluded that further time was needed for reflection including considering other already identified projects that might benefit from the CIL levy and a decision was deferred until the February meeting.

Under planning, the council supported the application from Broadoak Farm for a camping site and touring caravans being consistent with commercial development outlined in the neighbourhood plan. It was noted that CWAC would no longer publish public comments on their portal which would inhibit councillors' ability to make informed planning decisions. It was suggested that any residents making comments on future applications should personally advise the Parish Clerk.

Councillor Keeping reported that CWAC had finally published the housing monitor report and it was gratifying to note that the planners had now accepted that Tattenhall did not have a shortfall of houses to be built by 2030. This positive report meant that there was adequate 5

year housing and land supply and planners would have no grounds to override policies in the Neighbourhood Plan. It was unfortunate that the inclusion of the units at the retirement village had come too late to prevent the approval of 30 dwellings on the site adjacent to Chester Road.

The Chester Road parking scheme had been approved and this would be implemented at no cost to the Parish Council. The speed limit changes were also finalised although final costings were awaited.

A resident raised a concern about pollution caused by HGVs parking near the school and leaving their engines running whilst visiting local shops. A poster competition was suggested to advertise the hazards of this practice, and local residents were encouraged to report any such transgressions by commercial vehicles to the parish clerk who would raise it with the respective companies.

The council had identified future priority projects. One of these projects was the improvement of the Spinney including constructing a pathway to the open space. Costs for this were being assessed (as well as possible grants). It was agreed that money raised through the Squirrel Trail and events in 2020 would be spent on local open spaces projects and, any money raised through the VE Day celebrations would be donated to the Royal British Legion. Before closing the council reviewed the 2020-2021 budget and suggested precept.

All residents are invited to attend the Parish Council meetings and can raise items in the 15 minute Open Forum at the start of the meeting. Meetings take place on the first Monday of the month in the Billiard Room at the Barbour Institute at 7.30pm.

**Councillor Esther Sadler-Williams**

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**7th February; 13th March; 10th April; 15th May; 12th June; 10th July; 14th August; 11th September; 9th October; 13th November**

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**Welcome to 2020—welcome to the Barbour Institute!**

### Upcoming events, Spring 2020

Thursday 23rd, Friday 24th and  
Saturday 25th January 7.30 start  
Wednesday 29th January, 8pm start  
Film night at the Barbour  
Sunday 9th February  
Sunday 23rd February, 10am start  
Saturday 29th February, 10.00– 12.00,  
Sunday 1st March, 10.00—3.00,  
Saturday 14th March,  
Wednesday 25th March, 8pm start  
**Film Night at the Barbour—**  
Saturday 4th April,  
Sunday 5th April,

**Tattenhall Amateur Dramatics in a play  
that goes hilariously wrong!**

**Downton Abbey**

**Tattenhall Music Society performance**

**TADS Play in a Day, Matilda**

Book Sale donations

**Book Sale**

Quilting workshop

film choice TBC

Quilting workshop

**Jumble Sale—9.30-11.30 donations,**

**Regular classes and events held at the Barbour Institute include—  
Yoga, Tattenhall Singers, Hip Hop Dance, Women's Institute, Tattenhall  
Gardening Society, U3A, Tattenhall Over 50s, Rainbows, Guides, the Village  
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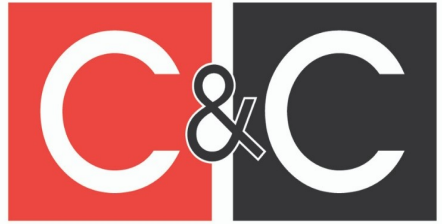
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Tattenhall WI will be meeting at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February in the main hall of the Barbour Institute.

The talk will be on BLOODBIKES detailing the work of the volunteers who give their time and energy to deliver essential blood products, X-rays, milk etc very often in emergency situations on behalf of the NHS.

We offer a free taster visit with our friendly group and would love to welcome you.

Our monthly activities include - a walk (to include lunch,) crafts, book club, scrabble, coffee (health) club. For further information ring Ruth on 01829 770762



Tattenhall Gardening Society's next meeting will be on **February 12th**, in the Barbour Institute.

Steve Holland, the Chairman of the National Bonsai Society, will give a talk about Bonsai trees and how to grow them.

Did you know what bonsai means? The literal translation is "plant in a tray". It is usually defined as the art of miniaturising trees. The techniques used to control the growth of trees are centuries old. The Chinese used the techniques for producing artistic pot plants, but it was the Japanese who formalised the art as it is known today. Come and join us at the meeting and find out if this is the sort of gardening you would be interested in, or find out what to do about your ailing bonsai trees!

The meeting is at 7.30 for 7.45 start. Guests are always welcome at £3.00. For more information contact Jen Benefield on 01829770692

## West Cheshire Rural



Come and join us for the next meeting of West Cheshire Rural U3A on **Thursday 20th February** at the Barbour Institute in Tattenhall. "Physick Pothercary & Chirurgeon" by Claire Moores



### Date for your Diary

U3A Open Day/10th Birthday on Thursday 21st May, 2020. Details next month.

Refreshments from 2.00pm. For further information on membership and forthcoming events please contact either Hilary Scarratt 01829 770516 or Hilary@Scarratt.com or visit our website [u3asites.org.uk/west-cheshire](http://u3asites.org.uk/west-cheshire)

## Book Club

Come along to St Alban's Community Room every 3rd Thursday of the Month 7:30-9:30pm and enjoy sharing a book with like minded bookworms!

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Dear Residents

In outlying neighbouring villages there have been reports of three residential burglaries in which jewellery and a high value watch was taken, as well as a break in at a commercial property. There was also a break in to a catering vehicle which was relieved of cash, stock, and sadly a Charity box was taken.

### **Heritage Crime Arrests success**

Over December there were two attempts of theft in separate incidents at Beeston Castle using metal detectors to try to find and dig up historic items. The Rural Crime Team have arrested two men in connection with heritage crimes committed at Beeston Castle and recovered a number of artefacts believed to have been taken by metal detectorists.

- Any anti Social Behaviour can be reported to  
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- Electrostatic HomeWatch window stickers are now available please see the Drop In info below. If your existing HW sticker requires replacing or you are a new member and would like one please get in touch.
- **Police Surgeries** – are an opportunity for residents to meet local officers and report any concerns or issues they might have. Please come and say hello.

### **Dragon Hall Police Station**

For dates and locations ring 101.

The Police always welcome your call on 101. Let them make the decision on its urgency and method of dealing with your concern. If you aren't sure about a suspicious situation you can always call HomeWatch 771641 for

advice, or you can call anonymously to **CRIMESTOPPERS on 0800 555 111.**

### **Rural officer contact details.**

PC Stephen Gardner

Please call 101, If you wish to e-mail Steve his address is

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Sometimes items are stolen and discarded like photos that are of no value to the thief but of great sentimental value to you.

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If you would like to be included in our e-mail HomeWatch updates contact list, send your details to [graham@gmarsden.co.uk](mailto:graham@gmarsden.co.uk) together with your address and phone number in case of e-mails bouncing back.

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# VILLAGE DIARY

<b>FEBRUARY</b>			
<b>3rd</b>	Parish Council Meeting	Barbour Institute	7.30pm
<b>6th</b>	TOFS Meeting	Barbour Institute	2.00pm
<b>7th</b>	PARISH NEWS DEADLINE		
<b>9th</b>	Music Society Concert	Barbour Institute	6.30pm
<b>12th</b>	Gardening Society Meeting	Barbour Institute	7.45pm
<b>15th</b>	WI Meeting	Barbour Institute	7.30pm
<b>20th</b>	U3A Meeting	Barbour Institute	2.00pm
<b>23rd</b>	TADS Play in a Day—Matilda	Barbour Institute	10.00am
<b>29th</b>	St. Albans Jumble Sale	Church	11-2.00pm
<b>MARCH</b>			
<b>1st</b>	BI Book Sale	Barbour Institute	10-3.00pm
<b>25th</b>	Film@Barbour	Barbour Institute	8.00pm

  
**Tattenhall Music Society**



**Sunday, February 9th 2020  
at the Barbour Institute,  
Tattenhall at 6.30pm.**

We welcome back to Tattenhall the effervescent Roberto Carillo Garcia and his friends. Roberto is principal bass with the Hallé Orchestra and brings to Tattenhall a lively mix of music to the BI—a tango themed evening, café style and wine bar. Doors open at 5.45pm and admission is £12 (under 18 year olds are always free) Tickets are on sale at Tattenhall Post Office and Tattenhall News or you can pay on the door. If you have any questions or would like more information about the Society please get in touch with Anne McGrath  
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Future dates are February 6th and 20th, also March 5th and 19th.

Ladies Network meets on the second Tuesday each month at 2pm in the Church Hall. The next meeting is 11th February.

You are also very welcome to join us for any of our Sunday Services, held at 10.45 am followed by coffee and biscuits.

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