



# TATTENHALL HANDLEY BURWARDSLEY PARISH NEWS

## FEBRUARY 2022

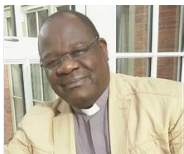
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**MOTHERING SUNDAY  
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27TH MARCH  
at 10.30am**

**Please join us as we  
celebrate all Mothers,  
past and present.  
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of flowers.**





## From Father Lameck

### Happy New Year to you all!

The past two years have brought into our lives two phrases; "New Normal" and "Social distancing". These are phrases we hardly heard of a while ago, but now, they are part of our daily lives. As for the so called 'New Normal', I am yet to see if what we now see is it or if it is yet to come. As for the social distancing, I keep wondering how people measure this distance. Is it two metres or one, or somewhere in between, depending on where we are? It also depends on who we are with, for within households it doesn't apply. The general message remains that we need to avoid close contact with others and not to get close to the people around us.

But I was wondering if these new rules have enabled us to distance ourselves from sin and bring us closer to our God? For whilst we can be socially distanced from other humans, we cannot distance ourselves from The Creator. God wants His children near Him, as any earthly father would, and He has done everything necessary to bring us near. In our old sinful state we were "far off" from God, but now we have been **"made near by the blood of Christ"**. The barrier of our sin has been removed by the death of our Saviour and so we can be reconciled to God. By accepting what was done for us on the cross, we are "no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints and members of the household of God." (Ephesians 2 verses 13 – 19). The amazing grace of God has changed our distance into nearness!

There are times however when we do not feel very near to God, and we wonder why. We feel that God is far away. We have some good advice from James, one of the family brothers of the Lord Jesus, who wrote this; *"Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you"* (James 4.8).

I once read an article which said: *"Does God seem far away? Who moved?"* in many instances, God and His love are like the sun. The sun is always shining but the clouds can obscure it, can make things dull, and stop its warmth from reaching us. Clouds of doubt, of disappointment, of difficulty, can indeed come between our souls and God. We do not like clouds, and we cannot do much about them, but we can keep looking up through them until they pass – they always do! Our God is always there, waiting to receive us and bless us.

More good advice comes from Jude, another of the brothers of our Lord Jesus: **"Keep yourselves in the love of God"** (Jude v.21).

## Father Lameck's Sabbatical



Our Rector, Fr Lameck Mutete, has loyally served as the Vicar of Tattenhall since 2004. He is well loved in the village and his kindness, welcome and laughter are known to us all. He was born in the village of Hera near Rusape in Zimbabwe, and we chose to support this village for our Advent appeal as Fr Lameck is spending his sabbatical leave there.

In recent years Zimbabwe has suffered from economic and political difficulties. It has gone from being the "Jewel in the Crown" of African education standards, to a country in crisis. Inflation is running at over 1000% (!) and what was free State provided education, now requires funds to be paid and schools are struggling to source basic equipment such as pens and paper, let alone electronic and IT

apparatus as supply chains are in chaos.

Educating girls is crucial to the long-term prosperity of families. An educated mother will educate her family. Keeping girls attending school regularly is essential. One of the biggest

hurdles is "period poverty".

And so, with Fr Lameck visiting his homeland and family in January we aimed to ship out two drums of

items to help the schools there, St David's Primary School and Sanzaguru High School so they could arrive whilst Fr Lameck is there and he can oversee their distribution as we

offer help from one village to another.

Our Appeal was supported with incredible generosity by the community and businesses of Tattenhall and we gathered enough goods and had enough financial donation to ship not 2, but 4 packed drums to Zimbabwe.

A huge thank you to The Tattenhall Brownies who came to help pack up the drums which are now on their way. Father Lameck has arrived in Hera and once the drums arrive he has promised to send further updates and photos to keep us posted. Thank you to everyone who has donated and helped with this project.





## KEEPING ST ALBAN'S CHURCH ALIVE

### REFURBISHMENT OF THE BELLS

The Community of Tattenhall has the great fortune to have a Church that holds the oldest dated bells in Cheshire. The tower contains six bells, three of which are over six hundred years old and the most recent installed in 1904.

Like all Church bells they need to be regularly maintained otherwise they will corrode and crack then will be lost for ever. The last time any significant work was carried out, apart from painting and routine maintenance was over 50 years ago.

We have approval for a project to totally refurbish the bells and the work is planned for the second quarter of 2022. We have identified and approved a contractor to carry out the exceptionally demanding and skilled work. The company is based in the West Country and I took the opportunity to visit his factory for the first time during a recent visit to Bath and Exeter.

An incredible visit – certainly for a layman such as myself and this is a brief summary.

The factory is based on a well established set of industrial units on a farm in the depths of Somerset. It is at the two extremes of industrial engineering with heavy engineering combined with fine turning and milling on a gram scale to tune the bells.

A bit of background – did you know that the oldest bell is from five thousand years ago and was made of pottery. This was changed with time to metal and I understand that the composition and ratio of metals are virtually the same today as it was a thousand years ago. When I was there I saw a bell nearly a thousand years old.

The key skilled workers are themselves amongst the leading bell ringers in the country with unbelievably finely tuned ears. They have amazing talent.

Whilst there I saw a half tonne bell mounted on a milling machine with small pieces being ground off then the bell

retuned which was determined by ear supplemented with a computerised sound system. This iterative process continues to achieve perfection – incredible. I understand there are at least five tones, the initial strike followed by four resonating nodes.

Once the bells have been tuned they have to be married in to the clapper for size, shape and composition and once this is completed the bell has to be effectively hung. These processes are sciences in themselves.

Once this programme of work is completed the refurbished bells should be operational for 50 to 100 years.

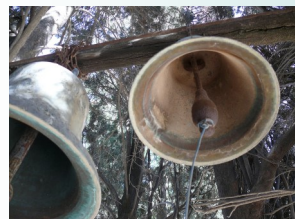
#### **The intention is to leave a secure legacy of bells and bell ringers for future generations.**

If you wish to contribute to this legacy it can be done as follows

- Train to become an adult bell ringer.
- Train to become part of a planned junior team.
- Contribute to the cost of the bells refurbishment.
- Sponsor the project by naming a clapper and this will last for 50 to 100 years.

If you wish to support this project in one or more of the above ways please call or email me

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# TATTENHALL and DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL



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In December, because of concerns about the spread of the Omicron variant, the Parish Council held an informal meeting on Zoom.

Although decisions could not be taken at this meeting, Councillors were able to have discussions on a number of topics.

Two members of the public had put their names forward to be co-opted to the Parish Council. A decision on this had to be deferred to the next formal meeting and both candidates would be informed.

The Clerk had delegated powers to submit comments on planning applications to the planning authority. Two applications were discussed and comments would be sent to CWaC.

The Parish Council was considering a Management Plan for Glebe Meadow and Barnfield. The Clerk had contacted several companies and was waiting for responses. Transition Tattenhall would be asked if one of their representatives would join the working group.

In relation to the flooding of the village in the previous summer, Tattenhall had been offered a number of sandbags for emergency use. These would be sited at the back of the Barbour Institute on pallets.

Councillors had been engaged in trying to find a way for the Community Room at the school to fulfil its purpose as a space to be hired by groups. No-one had come forward to be involved in the administration of the room and it was felt that the working group had reached an impasse. It was suggested that the Parish Council should ask CWaC to carry out a review of the situation.

Further discussion would be held early in the New Year.

Rents for the Gatesheath Allotments would be frozen for 2022/23.

It was proposed that the January meeting be held on 4th January because of the Bank Holiday.

## **DETERMINATION AND DEDICATION BEATS DWINDLING!**

Like so many other things Covid affected the "Nine Lessons and Carols Service" last December!

A few things happened and the Church Choir which should have been joined by Tattenhall Singers suddenly wasn't! Also, in comparison with other years, the congregation was somewhat depleted too and one Reader was unable to make it. Other than that we had an Organist and the bones of the Church Choir supported by three from Tattenhall Singers and one extra lady who sings with the choir on occasions.

And guess what - The Service was absolutely wonderful! Although one or two were new to it every Reader, without exception, was perfect. The Choir sang its heart out and even managed the descant of the final Carol - "Come all ye Faithful" and everyone went home on a high!

A HUGE thank you to: The Congregation; The Readers; The Choir; The Organist (who braved it).



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# Ask the Expert

To start 2022, Rebecca is not answering a question (though there are still plenty coming through – which will keep her busy for the coming months!) – rather she is sharing some thoughts having taken some time during December to reflect on the past 12 months and the involvement she and the firm have had in the local community and the value this has on the business.

Rebecca says:

We started the year as we had finished 2020 – in lockdown.

It was then (and still is now) more important than ever to ensure that our lines of communication with clients remain open. Our business relies on the relationships we have built with our clients and our community.

It was vital that we maintained our connection with our clients in all ways, especially via this dialogue and some other publications for which I write. I wanted to make sure our clients felt reassured that we were very much open for business and to keep them informed about how we were adapting to the changes in our working lives in order to continue to deliver the high level of service we have always done – trying to ensure that our clients felt at ease during this time of uncertainty.

As the Spring emerged, and regulations relaxed slightly, I was able to get out a little more into the community.

Being back in the office and conducting actual, rather than virtual meetings was refreshing – having held so many meetings via video had highlighted the importance of sitting down with a client and actually taking the time to talk to them about their case and particular circumstances – often easier face to face.

During the Summer, I watched the young

cricketers get back out in the field – we had sponsored the “All Stars” initiative and it was a pleasure to see the young talent develop! We also took an active role in St Alban’s Summer Fete – providing raffle prizes and enjoying tea and scones in the vicarage gardens.

The end of the Summer treated us to a scorching September day as the village hosted “Tattenhall, Together Again”. It was wonderful to join other local businesses and organisations and see the community spirit at it’s best.

As the sun set on September, our thoughts gradually turned to Christmas:- as well as being busy planning Christmas Lights and office “dos”, we also got involved with the village litter pick in aid of Chester’s Homeless.

Projects for the new year also started to develop. We are delighted to be one of the sponsors of the new sports kit for Tattenhall Park Primary – watch out for the big reveal in the New Year.

Being part of the community, both in the village of Tattenhall and beyond is what makes our business what it is. It has been a pleasure to live and work in such a vibrant, caring community in 2021 and my colleagues and I look forward to servicing your personal, commercial and community needs in 2022.

**“Rebecca was amazing; always understanding and accommodating my needs”** Ms W – Sept 21

**“A huge thank you, Rebecca”**

Mr D – Oct 21

**“Rebecca is a local, accessible solicitor, who takes an active role in village initiatives – a welcome and valuable asset to any community”**

Mr C – Nov 21



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**U3A Groups**—monthly meeting, Cryptic Crosswords, Discussion Group, Reading Group.

**Also**—Tattenhall Gardening Society, Tattenhall Over 50s, Helpful knitters.

**Upcoming events at the Barbour—**

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> February, **Tattenhall Music Society**. For details contact

[mcgrath.prickleygreen@btopenworld.com](mailto:mcgrath.prickleygreen@btopenworld.com).

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> February, 10am start, **Tattenhall Amateur Dramatics Play in a Day**. For details email [info@tattenhallamdram.com](mailto:info@tattenhallamdram.com)

Weekend of 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> February, **Book Sale**. Book donations are Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 12 midday, Book Sale Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> 10am – 3pm.

And coming in March, 3 nights of theatre in your village with Tattenhall Amateur Dramatics production of JB Priestley's When We Are Married. More details to follow.

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Prize winners in the January draw were: £60 number 19; £25 number 96; £15 number 79. Congratulations to the lucky winners.

Our monthly draws continue in February and March and in April we will have our half year draw for **£500**.

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## The Village Surgeries Group

The surgeries will close at 1.00pm on 16th February and 17th March for staff training.

During this time, please ring 111 for urgent advice or in case of emergency, dial 999. The surgery phone lines will re-open at 5.00pm

## PARISH NEWS DEADLINES 2022

Please remember that if you miss the deadline your item may not be published.

The Parish News will now be published every **second** month.  
The deadlines for 2022 are:  
**11th March; 13th May; 15th July;  
9th September; 11th November**

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## St Alban's Bell Tower



We all know the bell tower well, we walk past it, listen to the bells and glance at the clock as it marks the hours. The tower is a familiar landmark in Tattenhall, but how much do we know about it?

The tower is much older than the rest of the current church building that is standing today and which was rebuilt in 1869 under the direction of John Douglas who was responsible for much of the architectural design of Chester including the clock bridge.

The 1869 church that stands today was rebuilt on the original foundations which date to the time of the Norman Conquest (1066). But St Alban's could indeed be even older than that with evidence of Roman settlement and a possible shrine room having been found by archeological investigators in previous years and suggesting the possibility that a place of worship has existed on this site for nearly two thousand years.

The tower that we see today was built around 1500 in the time of Henry VII. It appears it was finished by 1514 as Rafe Huxley of Tattenhall requested in his will of that date that, "*my body be buried in the bell house of the parish of Tattenhall.*"

The tower houses six bells of huge historical significance. Three were cast in 1596 by Henry Oldfield II and are the oldest dated bells in Cheshire. They are inscribed; "JESUS BE OUR SPEED", "GOD SAVE OUR QUEEN" (A dedication to Elizabeth I) and "GOD SAVE HIS CHURCH". The later bells were cast in 1710.

As one of the highest buildings in the area during The Civil War, and leading up to the Battle of Rowton Heath (1645), it seems the tower was of strategic significance and it appears that the indentations on the southern side of the tower that are visible today were caused by musket fire around that time.

The roof underwent a major redesign in 1832. Until then it had a slated square spire topped by a weather vane. However, it was in a dilapidated state as was the main part of the church) and it was demolished and replaced by the flat roof we know today. Despite this, the tower has aged well. It is built of red sandstone blocks and the Mason's mark can still be seen on some of them today. Although the tower does have a slight lean to the west of 2 degrees it is very stable and with continuing monitoring should last a few more hundreds of years.

After a fundraising campaign to provide much needed maintenance to the bells and parts of the tower, The PCC have been able to instruct a specialist in ancient bell preservation. The work is scheduled to take place this year with apologies for the necessary scaffolding and hiatus in bell ringing whilst this is taking place.





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**February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Candlemas:**

**The feast of the presentation of Christ in the Temple**

The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple celebrates an early episode in the life of Jesus. It falls between the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul on January 25<sup>th</sup>, and the Feast of the Chair of St. Peter on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. The event is described in the Gospel of Luke, 2:22-40. According to the gospel, Mary and Joseph took the baby Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem forty days after his birth to complete Mary's ritual purification after childbirth, and to perform the redemption of the firstborn, in obedience to the Law of Moses, Leviticus 12, Exodus 13:12-15. The last three Sundays in February are known by the strange names they bear in the Prayer Book- Septagesima, Sexagesima and Quinquagesima. Our today's church calendar call these Sundays in February 'Sundays before Lent.' And this is a reminder that, as the first shoots of spring begin to show, the church year turns from the contemplation of the birth of Christ, and begins to prepare for the solemn observance of his passion and triumph in Holy Week and Easter.

### **Diocesan News**

**Are you considering becoming a priest within the Church of England?** This is an opportunity to find out what being ordained is really like its highs and lows. This may be an opportunity to look at your own experience and what God might be calling you to in the future. To discover the how the selection process and ordination training programmes work. Please get in touch with the Rector who will guide you through the process.

**Diocesan Lay Conference 2022:** The next Lay Conference takes place during the weekend of **25-27 March 2022**. The Diocese of Chester invites you to share ideas with others and explore how we can live out our faith. For more information, please get in touch with George Colville on 01928 718834.

### **OUR THREE CHURCHES TOGETHER**



**Rector on Leave:** Father Lameck is currently on Sabbatical Leave and will be back by 12<sup>th</sup> March. For any enquiries, please get in touch with the churchwardens.



## ST. ALBAN'S, TATTENHALL

### Appreciation:

A special thanks to the flower ladies and the Holy Dusters who worked tirelessly in the decoration of our church during the Christmas period. The church looked beautiful with the flowers and decorations reminding us of the Christmas celebration and the light of Christ. We give thanks to all our church volunteers who devoted their time and effort.



### Festival Services:

Thanks to all who ensured our Services took place in safety and joy. God bless you all.

### The Park School Christmas Nativity Service:

The church was pleased to welcome Tattenhall Park Primary School as they held their Christingle and school concert in church. It was wonderful to see our young generation experiencing the church atmosphere as we continue to build ties with the wider community. God bless you all and Happy New Year.

### St Alban's Alpha Course:

The Alpha Course ended in December and those who managed to come enjoyed the opportunity to share their spiritual experience. We give special thanks to all who came on the journey and may the Almighty God bless you always. ritual purification after childbirth, and to perform the redemption of the firstborn, in obedience to the Law of Moses, Leviticus 12, Exodus 13:12-15.

### From the Registers



#### **Margaret Rundell - - 13<sup>th</sup> June 1925-19<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

Margaret Rundell, a much loved mother and grandmother, 96, passed away peacefully on November 19 2021, after a long illness. Margaret grew up in North Lancashire, later attending Durham University, where she gained a degree in English and German. On leaving University she became a secondary school teacher in the North East. In 1951, she married Geoffrey Rundell and became a full-time clergy wife. Margaret embraced this role and was integral to parish life. After a period living in Stirling Scotland, Margaret and Geoffrey moved to Cheshire in 1960. Geoffrey was the vicar at Alvanley, then later at Tarvin for 19 years. They retired to Tattenhall in 1986 and became active members of the St Alban's Church community. Geoffrey sadly passed away in 1992, but Margaret continued to live in Tattenhall until 2013, where she was an active participant in village life. In 2013 she moved away to be nearer her family. Margaret will be remembered for her wit, kindness and sense of fun. She is survived by her son and daughter, Simon and Ann, and her grand-daughters: Lottie and Hannah.

## **ALL SAINTS CHURCH, HANDLEY**

### **Christmas Festival Services**

The Church would like to thank the augmented Christmas Carol choir for their excellent performance during our Carol Service which was held outside the church. We also would like to thank everyone who took part in cleaning and decorating the church in preparation for our festival services. God bless you all. The Carol and the Christmas Service was well attended. Wishing you all a Happy New Year.



### **Handley Services**

Please note that we have two normal 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.

## **ST JOHN'S CHURCH, BURWARDSLEY**

### **Services Times**

### **Songs of Praise 13th February at 4.30pm all welcome**



Songs of Praise will continue to be on the second Sunday of each month at 4.30pm: a relaxed service with hymns/songs played by Rachel Hall. Light refreshments are served after the service. This is a friendly service and ideal to meet friends, make new friends and find out about the church.

The Common Worship Eucharist Sunday Service is still suspended for the time being. Join with St Albans Tattenhall at 10.30am

A huge thank you to Burwardsley Village Hall 'Team' and all involved in the hardwork organising the Village Social in aid of St Johns Church which raised £1,132.00. Thank you all who came and took part in what was a fantastic evening

Thank you all on behalf of the Burwardsley PCC for all the support shown to St Johns Church during what has/is a hard and stressful time for all we are truly blessed.

Wishing you all a Happy , Safe and Peaceful New Year



### **Loss Café**

This Cafe is not all doom and gloom nor does it focus solely on death or losing someone dear. There are many aspects around loss and coming to the cafe gives a chance to explore them. A time to reflect, think, listen and offer any experiences you may have to help others. Sharing can help and time spent at the Cafe can be a comfort. You do not have to bring anything.

The next meeting will be held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February. If you would like to know more about the 'Loss Café', please contact the Rector on 01829 770245. All are welcome to The Community Room at 10.00am.

## Ken's Korner

### Jottings from the crevices of his memory

You must, at some time, have been out for a walk and been caught in very heavy rain. Then it's turned to hail, stung your ears, and gone down your neck. Go on, admit it!

Now, with a (cold) knife, have you sliced a large hail stone in two? Probably not. If you do, you'll find it is made up of several layers of ice. Those layers show how many times that hail stone has ridden up and down on vertical air currents, thawing slightly and freezing again, adding another layer, at higher levels, before it became too heavy to ride those currents and fell to earth.

Now think of those massively large drops of 'thunder rain', and the sheer quantities of it. All of that was held aloft, the drops getting

heavier until they fell – on you! The weight of such a 'cloud burst' is unimaginable. Nature is powerful.

Look up at the clouds on a showery, but sunny, April day. You might notice streaks of rain falling from clouds, quite high up. They won't always fall low enough to wet the ground, evaporating to nothing as they pass through the lower, warmer, atmosphere.

At the other end of the weather spectrum is fog – cloud on the ground. It is made up of minute water droplets seeded by dust motes in the air. Freezing fog is ice crystals, just like high altitude cirrus cloud. It's cold up there, even as low as -42C.

Now that *is* cold!

## Family Songs of Praise



Come and join us on the first Sunday of the Month at 10:30am

We are inviting the children to attend a Sunday School story and craft activity

We are pleased to say that Breakfast is back! **We are pleased to say that Breakfast is back. Come and join us for a pastry or a bacon sandwich at 9.45am**



## LOSS CAFÉ



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We meet on the last Friday of the month at 10am in the St Alban's Community Room

All are Welcome

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## JANE'S JOTTINGS

*We didn't just pull crackers at our festive Christmas Table! Having told the jokes, obtained nil points for the trivia, performed the charades and losing the annual fight to get the hat on without ripping it – we went round the table and chose a word for the year! Mine is **POSITIVITY!** Yes it is – really! As long as I don't have to associate it with Covid at any time I think it is a pretty good word! I am positive Pilates will improve my posture and positive I will catch up on the mountain of paperwork by the end of January. I am also positive the end of year accounts will be a doddle to balance!*

*I estimate that through cost savings and incredibly successful Fund Raising in 2021 we will have reduced the deficit. When you consider the disruption Covid has caused and the fear many people still have about mixing thereby reducing the size of the Congregation and subsequently the collection plate we have done very well. I will continue to encourage the excellent fund raising as well as continuing to control costs. Our income does not cover the amount we have to pay out.*

*The cost of producing the Parish Magazine has only partly been covered by advertising. We live in an age of high technology and everything is social media and internet. We have fewer advertisers now and they continue because they want to support St Alban's not because our magazine produces high revenue*

*for them. Printing costs have increased and with several of our regular Advertisers dropping out, the difference between income and costs makes it untenable. This situation can only be addressed by printing six issues per year rather than eleven, which has been agreed by the PCC. This February issue will be followed by one in April, June, August, October and December.*

*St Alban's needs to get into the High Tech Social Media world! That is to say I think it does - I still use slates and chalk!! We do well with Volunteers but we do need someone to help with setting up and administering the website. If that someone is not you – do you know anyone – young whizz kids are very welcome to step forward!! The PCC is reviewing St Alban's many jobs undertaken to keep it open and is likely to be asking for those with certain skills to step up!! Watch this space!*

*I feel very positive that this article will be read and responded to very favourably. I am positive you won't let me down!!*

*Best wishes*

*Jane Richards  
01829 770482  
jmmelius@gmail.com*

## **ANOTHER JOB ST ALBAN'S HAS TO OFFER!**

Intercessions at the 10.30am Service by Carolyn Vickers

There is a formula for the intercessions with opportunities to expand them to take into account the season of the church calendar and special events locally, nationally and internationally.

When I was asked to lead the prayers once a month I kept a close note of the news and local events. Eventually Jack Raine (who also led the prayers once a month) introduced me to the Intercessions Handbook by John Pritchard, which expanded my opportunity to make the prayers less formulaic and hopefully more relevant. Some months, inspiration comes readily, other months require more work. I hope those who listen find food for thought.

Brian Crossley MBE

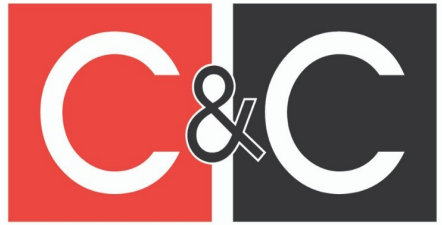
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If you would like a general no obligation chat with us before deciding or would like information about what will happen to your gift should you leave one, please contact the Rector (Lameck Mutute 770345) or the Treasurer (Jane Richards 770482).

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## Jazz @ the Barbour

**Sunday February 13th 2022 at 6.30pm Doors open 5.45pm**

February's concert will be at the Barbour Institute and we welcome a trio of outstanding jazz musicians. Steve Berry, double bass and Dan Whieldon, jazz piano, already very popular and familiar in Tattenhall and introducing saxophonist Emma Rawicz. Emma is making a mark on the UK jazz scene and plays regularly at Ronnie Scott's as well as with her own band.

This is always a great night of music at the Barbour and definitely one to put in the diary.

The concert will be café style with a wine bar and plenty of room for everyone. There will be no tickets in advance so just pay on the door, £12, and if possible, we ask that you have the right money to avoid giving change. Under 18 years are free.

Any queries to Anne McGrath: 01829 770932 or mcgrath.prickleygreen@btopenworld.com

*If you would like a date for an event to be included in the Diary, please email [tattparish.news@hotmail.com](mailto:tattparish.news@hotmail.com) in time to meet the publication deadline.*

### VILLAGE DIARY

FEBRUARY		
13th	Jazz@Barbour	Barbour Institute at 6.30pm
17th	U3A Meeting	Barbour Institute at 2.00pm
26th	Book Sale Drop Off	Barbour Institute from 10.00am
27th	Book Sale	Barbour Institute from 10—3.00pm
MARCH		
11th	PARISH NEWS DEADLINE	
27th	Mothering Sunday	



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The speaker at the next meeting of West Cheshire Rural u3a on February 17th at 2.00pm is Bryan Anderson.

Bryan is a Wirral based photographer, tutor and lecturer.

His talk is a portfolio of stunning photographs from some of the most spectacular landscapes in the world and a look at some of the great explorers who discovered them. There is something for everyone, this talk is a must for travellers, historians and lovers of nature



**West Cheshire Rural u3a Monthly Meeting  
17th February 2022 from 2pm  
Barbour Institute, Tattenhall**

**Speaker: Bryan Anderson - Images from the Edge.**



## **TATTENHALL OVER FIFTIES (TOFs)**

**Chairman Noel Atkinson 770808**

Following the success of the "Welcome Back" afternoon tea TOF's took the decision to hold their Christmas Lunch at the Barbour Institute with Harvey's again providing the food.

The hall was decorated, the food was delicious and great entertainment was provided by local singer Nathan Turner. We sang, we danced and everyone went home with a gift on a most enjoyable afternoon.

Many, many thanks go to those who organised the event, to Caroline and Graham at the Barbour, Harvey's staff and Nathan

As an "older persons" group the safety of our members is very important and so

rising Covid numbers at the end of December and into January meant the decision was taken to cancel the TOF's meeting on Thursday 6th January and also the one scheduled for Thursday 3rd February.

We are all keeping our fingers crossed that the meeting on Thursday 3rd March will go ahead. Please look out for information here and on the posters around the village.

2022 has not started as we would have wished but hopefully, as the year progresses, better times will come and there'll be lots of months when you can come along and be a TOF.



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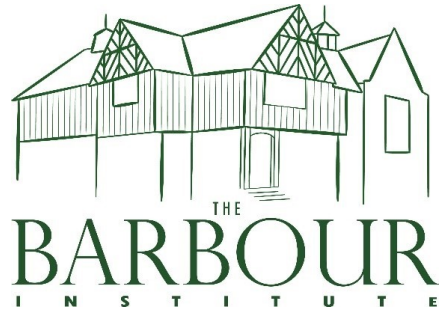
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