# TATTENHALL HANDLEY SEQUEEN BURWARDSLEY



PARISH NEWS

**June/July 2022** 

# ST ALBAN'S FETE



Games!



Beer Tent



Cakes

Tea and cake

Barrow of Booze

Tombola

and more......

Saturday 2nd July at 12:30pm in the Rectory Garden



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#### Queen Elizabeth II, Defender of the Faith, Supreme Governor of the Church of England

The Platinum Jubilee not only celebrates The Queen's seventy years as our

monarch but also her primary role as the longest serving head of The Church of England, a title she inherited through her ancestry from Henry VIII. She continues to advocate that faith always has been and remains her rock.

Queen Elizabeth II isn't just the titular Head of State of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and sixteen other nations, she is also the bearer of the title of Defender of the Faith and Supreme Governor of the Church of England, which means she is also the head of the Anglican Church, a responsibility that has shaped her life.

When the young Queen Elizabeth II was crowned in 1953, she didn't just assume the

responsibility of the secular leadership of her country. She also took on the mantle of the head of the Church of England. Elizabeth was anointed Queen by Archbishop of Canterbury and vowed;



"I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service... But I shall not have strength to carry out this resolution alone unless you join in it with me, as I now invite you to do: I know that your support will be unfailingly

given. God help me to make good my vow, and God bless all of you who are willing to share in it."



The title of Defender of The Faith dates to 1521 when Henry VIII was

attributed it by Pope Leo X. However, it was another Elizabeth, Queen Elizabeth I, Henry VIII's daughter by Anne Boleyn, who restructured the Church of England to its current form. In an unprecedented gesture, Elizabeth I had herself proclaimed "Supreme Governor" of the Church of England, an unheard-of status for a woman. A staunch protestant, Elizabeth I enforced freedom of religion throughout her long reign.

Like Queen Elizabeth 1, Queen Elizabeth II was not expected to be gueen. When she was born, her uncle Edward was Prince of Wales and ascended to the throne after the death of her grandfather, King George V. Elizabeth's father was second in line, and she was a distant third. She and her sister Margaret were raised by their parents with a strong faith in Christianity. As a child, Elizabeth learned to pray before bed, an act she continues. The abdication of Edward VIII meant King George VI became king and as his daughter, Princess Elizabeth became the heir presumptive. The Princess became gueen at the age of 25 when her father passed away. Her reign has been shaped by her Faith in God and the solemn vows she made at her coronation.

The Queen always takes her Christian faith and spiritual responsibilities to the Church of England seriously. In 1970, she became the first British monarch to address the General Synod, the legislative body of the Church of England, in person and several times during her long reign, the Queen has asked her subjects to pray for her revealing that her faith is a pillar of her life. She has always made it clear that she holds all faiths in respectful high regard and sees spirituality as central to all humanity. She summed this up in a speech made at Lambeth Palace a few years ago,

"Faith plays a key role in the identity of

millions of people, providing not only a system of belief but also a sense of belonging. It can act as a spur for social action. Indeed, religious groups have

of helping those in

a proud track record of helping those in the greatest need, including the sick, the elderly, the lonely and the disadvantaged. They remind us of the responsibilities we have beyond ourselves."

This is a sentiment she continues to uphold and foster as an example of the true Christian message of compassion and kindness from us all to us all.

#### From Father Lameck





On February 6<sup>th</sup> this year, Her Majesty, The Queen, became the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the Commonwealth.

A lot of events have been lined up to celebrate this unprecedented anniversary throughout the year, culminating in a four day UK bank holiday weekend from Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June. The four days of celebrations will include public events and community activities, as well as national moments of reflection on The Queen's 70 years of service.

#### **Platinum Jubilee Beacons**

- The United Kingdom's long tradition of celebrating Royal Jubilees, Weddings and Coronations with the lighting of beacons will continue for the Platinum Jubilee. A beacon chain, once used as a tool for communication, has now become a symbol of unity across towns, borders, countries and continents and is often the central point of focus for any outdoor gathering or celebration. In 1897, beacons were lit to celebrate Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. In 1977, 2002 and 2012, beacons commemorated the Silver, Golden and Diamond Jubilees of The Queen, and in 2016 Her Maiesty's 90th birthday. Over 1,500 beacons will be lit throughout the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and UK Overseas Territories. There are three kinds of beacon events:
- Community Beacons thousands of beacons will be lit by communities. charities and different groups throughout the regions of the UK, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and UK Overseas Territóries.

- Commonwealth Beacons - beacons will be lit in all capital cities of the Commonwealth -54 in total.
- Principal Beacon to be lit on the 2nd June in a special ceremony at Buckingham Palace.

#### **Tattenhall Celebrations**

In Tattenhall this historic event is not going unmarked and on Thursday June 2<sup>nd</sup> there will be The Jubilee Jamboree on The Flacca Field.

The church at St Alban's here in Tattenhall will celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on 5th June at 10.30am. This will be during a Songs of Praise Service in which all the hymns will be 'Truly Royal Songs'.

There is no better way to celebrate Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee than joining us in a live 'Songs of Praise Sunday Service' with Royal Breakfast served by our top community chefs. (Thank you to Dee and Steve). Bring your friends and family and be part of this memorable celebration.

On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>, there will be a Service of Thanksgiving for The Queen's reign which will be held at St Paul's Cathedral

#### From Fr Lameck An Invitation



to

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Songs of Praise Service with Royal Breakfast June 5th at 10.30am



### Celebrate on The Flacca Tattenhall's Jubilee Marquee!

Thursday, 2 June	3.00 pm - 7.00 pm 5.00 pm - 9.00 pm 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm 8.30 pm - 9.30 pm 9.30 pm - 10.15 pm	Parish Council: Jubilee Jamboree! Barbecue Live Music: 'Commoncranes' Music Live Music: 'Commoncranes'
Friday, 3 June	10.00 am - 1.00 pm 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm 1.00 pm - 2.00 pm 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm 2.00 pm - 5.00 pm 4.00 pm - 5.00 pm 5.30 pm - 8.30 pm 7.30 pm - 8.30 pm 9.00 pm - 11.00 pm	Village Market and Refreshments Face Painting with 'Glitter & Glow' Model Aeroplane Display Fitness Fun for Kids with Simon Fox Jubilee Craft for Kids with Ditzy Rose* Model Aeroplane Display Barbecue Live Music: 'Nathan' Live Music: 'The Method'
Saturday, 4 June	10.00 am - 1.00 pm 12.00 pm - 7.00 pm 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm 8.00 pm - 11.00 pm	Village Market and Refreshments Cricket Match Barbecue Open Mic & Disco with VillageBeatz*
Sunday, 5 June	10.00 am - 1.00 pm 10.30 am - 11.15 am 11.30 am - 11.45 am 1.00 pm - 2.00 pm 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm 2.00 pm - 2.45 pm 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm 2.00 pm - 5.00 pm 4.00 pm - 6.00 pm	Village Market and Refreshments Funky dance for U8s with diddi dance* Nursery Performance with diddi dance Model Aeroplane Display Fitness Fun for Kids with Simon Fox Funky dance for U8s with diddi dance* Flag American Football for Kids Crafts and Games for Kids with Amy Closing Barbecue

Times and events are subject to change
\*Limited availability – to book your slot visit the Jubilee Page on

www.sporttattenhall.co.uk

Facebook: What's on at the Flacca

The Club Bar will be open 10.00 am til late each day

Sport and Leisure Tattenhall

#### TATTENHALL and DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL



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Chairman: Iain Keeping

After the chairman welcomed everyone to the May meeting, the proceedings started with "open Forum", an opportunity for villagers to come and ask questions of the Parish Council. There were several matters of concern, which included the adoption of the roads on the new Chester Road development by the local authority, and whether the new houses will have ground source heat pumps.

Other matters of concern were the weed killing on the land near the spinney, and the ecological survey of the Glebe Meadow. The meeting then moved on to the normal matters of business, with notable subjects as an update on the Jubilee Celebrations, where most of the arrangements had been

finalised. The event would be held on the Flacca from 3.00 to 7.00pm on 2nd June. It was reported the Spinney project was almost complete, with just some signage, benches, and a willow sculpture to be installed.

It was reported that the Neighbourhood Plan working group has been working on the design code, and that the review of the Neighbourhood plan was almost complete. Finally it was agreed that the date for the Annual meeting would be 19th September.

Date for the next meeting is to be 4th July 2022, All are welcome Cllr. Jonny Kershaw



Transition Tattenhall is now a Community Benefit Society. As a Community Benefit Society is driven by its members we're looking

Members will actively support the work of Transition Tattenhall in a wide variety of ways. Each member will hold one share for now, costing £2. We're working on some additional members benefits which vou will find on our website. We'd like to send a huge 'thank you' to everyone who's shown their support for the Repair Café on the Spacehive crowdfunding page. It has been wonderful to see the support this project has locally, and we can't wait to make it a reality. If you're not familiar with repair cafes, they are pop-ups (ours will be in Barbour Institute) where volunteers fix your household equipment which might

otherwise get thrown away.

for people interested in joining us.

The Mini Meadows project is progressing really well too. The wildflower seed has been distributed and the walk to see all the wildflower areas will take place on 26th June. We'd love to see you there. We've been holding weekly meditation sessions in St Alban's Church each Tuesday from 6:15 - 7pm. With a mix of guided and solo mediation there is something for everybody, so do come along and discover the benefits of meditation in a very peaceful setting. If you have an idea for a project that you think fits in with Transition Tattenhall's objectives then we'd love to hear from you. You can email us at transition.tattenhall@gmail.com You can find more information about us and all our projects on our website

www.transitiontattenhall.co.uk and on our

Facebook page @TransitionTattenhall

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#### ST. ALBAN'S CHURCHWARDEN'S NOTES

#### 1. CHURCHYARD

The Churchyard continues to be maintained to a high standard with regular mowing, strimming, sweeping and weeding. Thanks to our regular volunteers. Thanks too to Seb and Patrick who have been helping St Alban's for the service to the community section of the D of E bronze award.

We still need a few more volunteers to help with the Churchyard so we are covered during holiday time and when poor health strikes.

#### 2. PAINTING OF METAL WORK

The beautiful ornate metal and wood work the Church and Churchyard enjoys is in urgent need of repainting. This task is is underway and our thanks to Peter Williams for the excellent job he has done. Everything is now ready for the next phase. This is the major project for this year. If you can help or lead this project please contact me to . Your one off contribution will last five years!

#### 3 FLYING THE FLAG FOR UKRAINE

You may have noticed that the Ukraine flag flying from St Alban's in the first part of May. This was to show our continuing support for Ukraine when they are under increasing threat from Russia.

We have a parishioner whose son and his family have lived in Ukraine for 20 years and our thoughts and prayers are with them and everybody else affected.

Goerge Richards 770482

# 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

Come and join us for a pastry or a bacon sandwich at 9.45am



# Your Church is Open



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

You are always welcome



#### Tattenhall's Village Hall

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#### YOUR VILLAGE HALL NEEDS YOU!

Have you ever considered how the Barbour Institute works or how it is run?

There is a rapidly diminishing group of Trustees, all volunteers, who give their time so that the groups, societies and events which use the building can be sure of clean rooms with the equipment they need, and with helpful staff to ensure that everything runs smoothly.

There is an urgent need for more Trustees to join Tattenhall Community Association so that the building can continue to be widely available to all. Please consider joining us—it's not a huge commitment. We meet every 6 weeks for about 2 hours to take the decisions which keep things running. Call the office and Caroline will put you in touch with one of us to talk through what's involved.

#### Dates for your diary

24th June	Return of TADS Quiz Night	7.00pm
26th June	Car Boot Sale plus Refreshments. Pitches £10	10-1.00pm

2nd July Jon Clayton Art Workshop 1.30-4.30pm

31st July Tattenhall Repair Café

3rd September Millfield Tidy Up

4th September Tattenhall Gardening Society Annual Show

29th October Elvis Comes to Tattenhall (Charity Fund raiser)

November TADS performance

Check our website for monthly class listings and details of all groups, classes and events at the Barbour. www.barbourinstitute.com



Are you getting married? The Barbour Institute can host your wedding ceremony and/or reception.

We pride ourselves on making your day extra special and our friendly and helpful staff

will be on hand to provide all the assistance you need.

Call the office for more information about weddings, parties or other family celebrations.

#### TATTENHALL OVER FIFTIES (TOFs) Chairman Noel Atkinson 770808

Sadly Covid numbers meant that TOF's did not go ahead in January but things were a little better by February and a fun advertising quiz helped the afternoon go by.

At the meeting in March, member, Eileen Clark gave an interesting demonstration of decoupage and all members designed a coaster which they took home at the end of the day.

April was the traditional TOF's Easter Bingo. Many thanks to Jean Williams, who had put together some great prizes.

In May we were entertained by Melanie Latham who demonstrated chutney making and members were able to purchase some of her lovely products.

At the meeting on Thursday June 2nd TOF's will be celebrating the Queens Platinum Jubilee with an afternoon tea from Harveys and music from Gilly the Songbird. We are all looking forward to donning our posh frocks and toasting Her Majesty.

Thank you to Tattenhall Parish Council for their grant which has paid for the tea TOF's have four coach trips arranged for this Summer. The first to Anglesey took place on 19th May. A visit to James Pringles for coffee and shopping was followed by lunch at the Sea Shanty Restaurant in Treaddur Bay, (which is owned by a former Tattenhaller), and then a tour around the island with a tea stop in Beaumaris before the journey home.

The next trips are:
21st June Carnforth Station (location of Brief Encounter) and Morecambe
19th August Llandudno
15th September Llyn Peninsula

Tattenhall Over Fifties would like to congratulate Her Majesty the Queen on her Platinum Jubilee.

#### ST. ALBANS—YOUR PARISH CHURCH

The dedicated Team that keeps St Alban's ticking over needs help with some jobs particularly on the administration front. There must be hundreds of clever computer minded technologically gifted people in Tattenhall. Please won't a couple of you come forward to help with our website. You don't have to be a Churchgoer; just someone who is willing to give something back by giving an hour or two, once in a while. Don't delay, don't dither, strike while the iron is hot and get in touch with one of us......

Ruth Morgan 771841 **George Richards Jane Richards** 

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#### Loss Café/Forget-me-not

This Cafe is not all doom and gloom nor does it focus solely on death or losing someone dear. This Loss café is similar to what was known as 'Forget-me-not'. There are many aspects around loss and coming to the cafe gives a chance to explore them. A time to reflect, think, listen, laugh 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. Tea and coffee is served at the beginning of our session. All our meetings are held on the last Friday of the month unless stated. The next meeting will be held on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June in the Church Community Room. If you would like to know more about the 'Loss Café/Forget-me not', please contact the Rector on 01829 770245. All are welcome.

"Sometimes the best medicine is just a good chat in friendly company"

## The Village Surgeries Group

The surgeries will close at 1.00pm on 14th July and 16th August for staff training. During this time, please ring 111 for urgent advice or in case of emergency, dial 999. The surgery phone lines will reopen 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: 15th July; 9th September; 11th November

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# Come and join our special service on June 5th at 10:30am with hymns chosen FOR HM The Queen

We are inviting the children to attend a Sunday School craft activity to make their own crowns!

9:45am - Breakfast

**10:30am** - Sunday Service with Sunday school in the Community Room

11:20am - Brunch with Bucks Fizz and Cakes





## The Churches of Tattenhall, Handley and Burwardsley Churches without Walls

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

Churchwardens Tattenhall George Richards 770482

Ruth Morgan 771841

Handley Christine Walley 771976 Alison Carter

Burwardsley Barbara Sculthorpe 770418 Debbie Spencer

#### **Diocesan News**

#### Archdeacon's Visitation Service 2022 Thursday 17th June at 7.30 PM

The Visitation Services for 2022 have now been confirmed for our three parishes; Tattenhall, All Saints Handley and Burwardsley, please see the date below. The Visitation of the Archdeacon- the historic process by which church wardens are admitted to office in the Malpas Deanery will be held at St Michaels Plas Newton, on Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm. Our Church Wardens are required to attend; it is hoped that our sides men and women, though not required to attend are invited to do so, will make a special effort to be present this year. Please make a note in your diary. It is a legal requirement for ALL Churchwardens, whether newly elected or continuing, to be sworn into office each year and this happens at an Archdeacon's Visitation Service. The visitation will start at 7.30pm.

#### **OUR THREE CHURCHES TOGETHER**







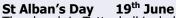
Our next 'Three Churches Together' Service will be at St Alban's on 19<sup>th</sup> June at 10.30am

#### ST. ALBAN'S, TATTENHALL

#### St Alban's Tattenhall AGM 2022

On behalf of the Tattenhall Parish Church Council, may I congratulate George and Ruth who were duly elected Churchwardens for 2022-2023. May the Almighty continue to inspire and give them

wisdom as they lead us once again during this year



The church in Tattenhall is dedicated to St Alban who is considered to be the first English Christian martyr. Until the more popular St George came along he was considered to be the patron saint of England. Having met a Christian priest fleeing from the invading Romans (about 200AD) Alban gave him sanctuary in his home and as

from the invading Romans (about 200AD) Alban gave him sanctuary in his home and as he got to know him, Alban was inspired to be converted to Christianity. When the Roman soldiers came to seize the priest, Alban put on his guest's cloak and presented himself to the soldiers. Despite being tortured Alban refused to give up the hiding place of the priest and he was executed. At the place where he died an abundance of wild flowers sprung

up. Later, writing about St Alban's martyrdom, William of Newbury wrote, "of all the roses of the martyrs brightly shines Saint Alban". This year, **St Alban's Day is** 

#### June19th.

Last year we combined St Alban's Day with a service of reflection and dedicated a tree to all those affected by the Covid Pandemic. The plaque can be found next to the tree between the tower and the community room.



#### **Open Church For Prayer and Reflection**

The doors of St Alban's Church are now open for all those who would like to stop and pray or reflect. We are fully aware that the pandemic has left a lot of us with scars of pain and in others Long Covid has been an ongoing feature of our life. It is from these past pandemic scars that we are urging you to visit the church for both reflections and prayer at anytime during the day. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Rector if you require a one on one session.

#### **Holy Dusters needed!**



Have you ever heard of the name 'Holy Dusters'? This is a team who come to church on the first Wednesday of each month at 10.30am (straight after the midweek service) to spruce up the church. You do not have to be a church goer to join the team. The 'Holy Dusters' are our

tireless team of Church Cleaners. The volunteers dust and polish the church each month with great enthusiasm and at the same time enjoy fellowship and fun together. The church is home to us all who live in this community and we need to take care of the one beautiful building in our community. If this is something you feel you love contributing to, please get in touch with Tricia Morris through the church warden (ruthemorgan92@gmail.com)



St Alban's Church runs a Sunday School on the first Sunday of each month. You can come as early as 9.15am for breakfast in the Community Room with your family and join others for the church service at 10.30am. The Sunday School is run in the Community Room (The Vault) every first Sunday at 10.30am where the children enjoy a Bible story and a craft activity relating to the lesson of the main service.

If you would like to help in the running of the Sunday School, please get in touch with Ruth Morgan, our Churchwarden.

#### **Services**

#### St Alban's Church is now open for all liturgical services.

Sundays: 8.00am 10.30am

Communion Service- Book of Common Prayer Family Service on the first Sunday and Communion Services on the other Sundays.



Wednesdays: 10.00am

Holy Communion

Did you know that every Wednesday morning at St Alban's Church, we have a Communion Service followed by tea and coffee and a chat? Please feel free to come and join us as we enjoy fellowship together as one loving and caring community.



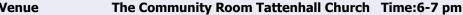
#### **Weddings and Baptisms**

if you live in the parish and you are planning for a baptism of your child or planning a wedding, please get in touch with the Rector, Churchwardens or send a message on our website.

#### St Alban's Spring/Summer Bible Study

Topic: Psalms: Managing Our Emotions after the pandemic

In 5 study sessions, learn how God's word in the psalms affects our emotions.



Emotions are both complicated and complex, both mysterious and mystifying. Even the experts are not sure what causes us to experience emotions. Both social science and neurobiology have tried, to no avail, to explain the origin of emotions. And for Christians, emotions can be troubling, frustrating, and untrustworthy. Some emotions seem deeply spiritual; other emotions seem downright sinful. God created us to experience emotions, yet there are still godly and ungodly ways to manage them. This 5-session course on the Book of Psalms will help you especially now as we walk out of the pandemic. You do not have to be a regular church goer, all are invited.

1<sup>st</sup> June-Session Two Abandonment: When You Feel Alone

Find strength when you feel forsaken. Psalm 22:1–31

When we feel abandoned, we should be honest about our pain, but we should also look to community and to God to find strength. Psalm 22 shows us how to do that.

How we can find peace when our dreams have been shattered? Psalm 107 offers hope to those disappointed with life.

15th June- Session Four Depression: When Darkness Is Your Closest Friend

Learn to live victoriously when just living is hard. Psalm 88:1–18 The Psalms help show us how we can find hope in even the deepest depression. In times of depression, we must cry out to God.

22<sup>nd</sup> June-Session Five Praise: Find Joy in the Seasons of the Soul
Learn how and why to praise God at any place, any time, and in all ways. Psalm 150:1–6
We should praise God no matter what we are going through. So long as you have breath, praise God for who he is and what he does, in any and every possible way

#### From the Registers

**Baptism** 

24<sup>th</sup> April Lawrence Dyson

**Marriages** 

19<sup>th</sup> March Herbert Tafadzwaneyi Mupfumira and Tariro Getrude Dengezi

23rd April James Raymond Dagnall and Jennifer Louise Jackson

**Burial of Remains** 

8<sup>th</sup> October 1932 - 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021 Fuad Aboodi Shabi

#### **ALL SAINTS CHURCH, HANDLEY**

#### **APCM 2022**

Please be advised Christine Walley and Alison Carter were nominated Churchwardens for the 2022-2023. May God continue to give them wisdom and guidance as they continue to lead.



#### **Appreciation**

After 16 years as Churchwarden, Alex Park will be stepping down but continue to help as P.C.C. member. Alex has been a dedicated churchwarden over the years and a source of inspiration especially during the pandemic era. We give thanks to God for all you did during your tenure of office.

#### **Services**

All Saints Handley is a small, beautiful church right at the centre of the village. There are so many faithful worshippers who have looked after the life of this church for years. Many weddings and baptisms continue to take place in the sanctuary of this church. We continue to hold services twice a month and celebrate all festival services such as Christmas and Easter. The two monthly services are held on the first Sunday at 9.15am (Family Service) and on the second Sunday, it is a Communion.

The Family Service is an all age type of service and ideal for children since it is a short one. If you live within the village and you would like to get married in the church, have a baptism or any memorial service you may intend to have, please get in touch with the Rector or any of the Churchwardens who are always willing to assist.

#### ST JOHN'S CHURCH, BURWARDSLEY

#### **APCM 2022**

Please be advised that Barbara Sculphorpe and Debbie Spencer were nominated Churchwardens for the 2022-2023. May God continue to give them wisdom and guidance as they continue to lead.



#### **Service Times**

Songs of Praise Sunday 12th June at 4.30pm Songs of Praise Sunday 10th July at 4.30pm

Join us for Songs of Praise a service of song. Its lovely to welcome old and new faces enjoy our social chat after the service.

The churchyard is taking shape following the winter and first cut thanks to our volunteers . As the last of the snowdrops disappear, the primroses take over a yellow carpet of flowers a welcoming sight as you walk down the churchyard, the violets are starting to take their place popping up randomly. We anxiously wait for wildflowers to appear—what joy.

Thank you on behalf of Burwardsley PCC for your support

#### JANE'S JOTTINGS

#### **BE THANKFUL FOR SMALL MERCIES**

has been going around in my head. I couldn't think where it came from but rather than google it I decided to use the quotation book I have had for many years - long before Scottie could beam us up!! A very different experience – cumbersome, slow and I really had to think about the order of the alphabet! What's more I couldn't find it! Refusing to believe it was not in my beloved tome I checked and rechecked but ended up using the net. I found it immediately and discovered it is in fact an idiom and not a quote from a literary masterpiece! Long Live Google!

I see this idiom as a rather stern reminder that vile situations could be even worse. I have Parkinson's along with thousands of others in the UK alone. Parkinson's is an incurable degenerative neurological disease and it is ghastly. It is so incredibly variable that the condition of sufferers can change several times a day. I am not looking for the sympathy vote so won't go into detail but I have been through a rough patch lately. I have lost several battles to the enemy since my diagnosis but still fight on determined to win the war. I thought swimming might be the latest casualty when several months ago I was swimming and suddenly stopped - I just couldn't do it! What with one thing and another I had a complete break from the water but decided to give it another try in

early May. A few days before the planned "dive" I had a consultation with my Neurologist. We go through the ritual of testing for rigidity, stiffness, tremor and a 'delightful' malady (not) called dyskenesia which is a side effect of the drugs I take. If I don't take them I can't move at all and if I do they cause involuntary movement; that's why I move a lot sometimes - something else I can't control. On this occasion the Consultant could not detect ANY of these symptoms which is absolutely incredible believe me! A couple of days later I got in the pool and swam – talk about whoop with joy! The boost these two events gave me was huge. I felt very pleased with myself – twice in one week for an amount of time I actually felt normal. It never lasts of course but when it happens it may be a **SMALL** MERCY but how THANKFUL I am.

This idiom started me thinking of others which are aimed at those who take their health and life for granted as I no doubt did once upon a time. I urge you not to and to seize the day as things can change so unexpectedly. So rather than be thankful for small mercies like me go out and

## MAKE THE MOST OF IT MAKE HAY WHILE THE SHINES GATHER YE ROSEBUDS WHILE YE MAY

Jane Richards

#### Ken's Korner

Jottings from the crevices of his memory as Ken thinks back to food in the forties

DIG ON VICTORY

Wartime rationing gave us a good, just adequate, balanced diet. Fat people lost weight, thin people gained it, whereas faddy and picky people went short until they changed

their ways. Diabetics weren't allocated sugar, others with proven medical problems had rations to suit. Heavy manual workers had more. Vegans weren't known.

Domestic refrigerators were rarities; freezers didn't exist. Almost everyone had a meat safe topped by a cold slab of concrete, slate, marble, or tiles, for perishables. Food didn't keep for long and was only available in season. Pigs were slaughtered only when there was an 'R' in the month. Rabbits, pigeons, augmented by off-ration offal – tripe, cow-heel, pigs trotters, heart, pigs heads, lights, brain, tongue, and bready

sausages – when you could get any, helped out. You couldn't be choosy. Whale meat tasted fishy, and horse meat (for dogs) often found its way on to dinner plates. I ate all of these.

People grew vegetables, and kept hens for eggs and the occasional chicken. The 'Dig for Victory' campaign encouraged the creation of allotments in gardens, parks, on road-sides, railway land and stations, and at schools if there was space. Nobody went near anyone else's patch. Some smokers

grew tobacco, and tried to cure it. They gave up on finding, when smoked, it stank like smouldering dirty socks!

Food from overseas was limited to tea, some oranges, and scarce Fray Bentos corned beef from Argentina. Sugar came from home-grown sugar beet. Nobody starved.

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Have you written yours? Have you considered writing one but haven't got round to it yet? Have you considered leaving something to St Alban 's Church?

ST ALBAN'S CHURCH welcomes all gifts left in Wills – large or small. Our policy is to use the gift wisely and it would almost certainly go towards maintaining the fabric of the church building thus ensuring it will remain in a stable and safe condition for generations to come.

YOUR WILL is of course a very private matter and you do not need to disclose anything about what you leave or to whom. There are plenty of Solicitors who can guide and help you write it.

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).

#### WHAT'S ON IN THE CHURCH



#### St. Albans Church Fete—2nd July in the Rectory Gardens

We need help to raise money to keep our church open for the special occasions but also for every day. Sometimes we need to just sit in the quiet. Whatever your beliefs it is there for everyone.

We are looking for Tombola Prizes—we can sell those gifts ie hand cream"in good condition that you will never use. We would also like good clothes and "things" to sell.

Please put them in a bag labelled Sue or Gill/Fete and take them into church or

leave in the porch.

Thank you in advance

Remember to come on the day for a good time.

You would be very welcome at our 10.30am service on a Sunday. Details are in the magazine.

Noisy children are welcome especially on the first Sunday of the month with bacon butties to start at 9.45am

Gill Friswell



# ELVIS

RETURNS TO TATTENHALL
On Saturday 29th October
At the Barbour Institute
Time 7.30 p.m. – 11 p.m.

Tickets £15 on sale from 1<sup>st</sup> September. Enquiries by email to: Val\_Meeks@Yahoo.co.uk

This is a Charity event. All proceeds to The Ukraine Disaster Fund



#### Mindfulness/ Meditation in St. Albans church

Every Tuesday evening from 6.15 to 7.00pm.

Guidéd mindful breathing meditation via à CD. No experience necessary

No fee, but donations towards the upkeep of the church always welcomed

All welcome, (warm clothes advised)

#### TATTENHALL BRIDGE CLUB Established in 1982

We meet on Fridays at 7.00 p.m. in the Community Room at St Albans Church, Tattenhall

This small friendly club is ideal for anyone ready to try club duplicate bridge.

Visitors and new members welcomed. You do not need a partner to join us. If you are interested please contact the Secretary:

Email Val\_Meeks@Yahoo.co.uk Tel: 01829 770781



#### BROWN KNOWL METHODIST CHAPEL

#### **Rev. Donna Broadbent-Kelly**

The Chapel is now open for Sunday Worship at 10.45am only.

The Chapel are aiming to hold two Afternoon Teas on Saturday 9th July and Saturday 13th August from 2pm - 4pm in the Church Hall. Please check on the website for confirmation, due to the continued threat of Covid-19.

The wearing of masks is optional, but great care is still required with sanitising etc.

For up-to-date information, please phone or see our website, details below.

www.brownknowlmethodist.com



West Cheshire Rural u3a monthly meetings are held at the Barbour Institute in Tattenhall. The meeting opens at 2pm.

On June 16th we will welcome Tony Bostock. His talk "Cheshire pubs and Pub Signs" looks at some of the many attractive old

Cheshire pubs and the stories behind them.

On July  $21^{\text{st}}$  our speaker is Stephen Shakeshaft. Stephen is a registered Tour Guide for Chester and will introduce us to features of the city which most people will never have seen.

The u3a does not have a meeting in August.

For membership information contact our Membership Secretary Dorothy Turpy via the contact page on our website <a href="https://u3asites.org.uk/west-cheshire/contact">https://u3asites.org.uk/west-cheshire/contact</a>



June and July are promising to be super busy months, both on and off the pitch, at the club this year. The Platinum Jubilee celebrations will kick start the month, with everyone invited to come along and join in. A full schedule of the events, together with times, is available on our Facebook Page: What's on at the Flacca, and also via the Jubilee page on our website www.sporttattenhall,co.uk.

#### Elsewhere at the Club:

- Three junior squash players were selected to play for Cheshire Juniors at an Inter-County tournament held in Carlisle in April. Liam Whitehead, Chris Taylor and Ryan Whitehead, played well, winning some tough matches and coming second overall! Excellent result! Squash coaching for juniors is now run all year round on Saturday mornings. The club is always looking for new members, of any age and ability, and anyone interested should contact Dave Whitehead on 07989 472577 or email david-whitehead@hotmail.co.uk
- Our ever popular Fridays @ the Flacca are up and running again; these take place
  every last Friday in the month through the summer, with the occasional extra one
  thrown in as well.
- Netball has returned to the Flacca for the summer months with Saturday morning training for school-aged players (of all abilities). New sessions for teens and adults have now started up Monday evenings - if you are interested in getting back to netball, or it is something you have always wanted to do, then please contact Rachel Lister-Bevan on 07500 783377.
- Also back at the club for the summer is Women's American Football with Cheshire Bears training every Saturday morning. The CBs will be hosting their home league tournament on Saturday, 11 June - please do come and support.
- After a two-year absence, Tattenhall Runners' Tough Team Race is being held again
  this year on 17 June; it has been running for over 20 years and has become an
  institution in the Cheshire summer running calendar. It takes place on the Friday in
  June closest to the longest day and is a competitive, tough but fun multi-terrain race
  for teams of three from different running clubs. Nine miles long, starting and
  finishing at Tattenhall, it takes in the infamous 'railway' or 'staircase to hell' (of
  Bickerton) as it is affectionately known!

With the summer term and holidays upon us, there are lots of coaching courses being offered for juniors; for up-to-date information of what is available at any time, please check the sports' pages on <a href="https://www.sporttattenhall.co.uk">www.sporttattenhall.co.uk</a>.

#### ART WORKSHOP

The artist Jon Clayton will be delivering another art workshop at the Barbour on Saturday July 2 from 1.30-4.30pm. Please notify Ann Wright the Parish Clerk at clerk@tattenhallpc.co.uk to book a place. Age limit 14 and over.









