


**TATTENHALL, HANDLEY  
& BURWARDSLEY  
PARISH NEWS**  
**October/November 2025**



***Festival Songs of Praise***  
**Sunday 5th October**  
**at 10:30am**

# Remembrance Service

at St Alban's



A time to remember and honour the heroic efforts, achievements and sacrifices which were made in past wars, and commemorate the contribution of British and Commonwealth military and civilian servicemen and women in the two World Wars and later conflicts.

## Sunday 9th November at 10:00am

*We will hold the Remembrance Service at 10:00am after which we shall parade to the War Memorial for the two minutes silence, followed by 'Last Post', 'Reveille' and the laying of wreaths.*

Refreshments will be served in the Barbour Institute afterwards.

search 'tattenhall church' for full details of our Services, events and how we can help you.



## *Greetings from the Rector*

### **Harvest and Thanksgiving 2025**

I trust you are all looking towards a new season after such a warm but joyful summer. As the evenings draw in and the air grows cooler, we find ourselves in that most beautiful of seasons: harvest time. For centuries, people in towns and villages across our land have gathered to give thanks for the fruits of the earth and the labour of those who work it. Fields of golden grain, orchards heavy with fruit, gardens bursting with vegetables are a reminder to us of God's faithfulness and provision.



Our Harvest Festival is not just about sheaves of corn or baskets of apples, though these are rich symbols of the season. It is about gratitude. In a world where so much is taken for granted, pausing to say "thank you" is both counter-cultural and deeply necessary. Thanksgiving draws our attention to the gifts we so easily overlook: daily bread, clean water, family, community, and the beauty of creation itself. But thanksgiving does not stop at words, it moves us into action.

At our Harvest services we gather donations for those in need: tins, packets, and fresh produce that will bless others in our community. In doing so, we echo God's generosity by sharing what we have received. This year, as we celebrate Harvest and Thanksgiving, let us remember that every good gift is from God, and let us respond with hearts full of praise, lives marked by generosity, and a renewed commitment to care for creation and for one another.

May this season be, for us all, a reminder that gratitude is the seedbed of joy.



All our parishioners from the village are most welcome to attend our festival service which will be followed by the 'Pet' Service at 12pm on the same day.

### **St Alban's Harvest Appeal**

**Throughout October we will be supporting The West Cheshire Foodbank. Donations of dry goods can be left at the back of church or in the porch. Thank you**



 **West Cheshire Foodbank**  
Together with Trussell



# St. Alban's Church *Family* **HARVEST**



## ***Festival Songs of Praise*** **Sunday 5th October** **at 10:30am**

In preparation for this celebratory service, we are encouraging a thanksgiving donation from all those who support the life of our church and its community activities. We are cordially inviting all those who live in our parish to come and celebrate the 'Harvest Songs of Praise' Service.

### ***Ways in which you can give:***

**You can join us in the Harvest Sunday Service in the church.**

Giving is not always about money, there will be an opportunity for all of us to give some non-perishable food-stuffs to be distributed to those in need. Please look in your pantry and see what you might share with others this coming harvest. Items may be left in the church porch or at the back of the church.

**Contact our churchwardens or treasurer if you wish to give online.**

**Every parish magazine has a QR code linked to the church.**

**No gift is too small in the eyes of the Lord. Let us make a difference in other people's lives this coming harvest season by being kind and generous to our church and community at large.**

**We have 'Harvest Breakfast' before and after the service.**

**Please do not miss this opportunity to come and celebrate with us all.**



**Give a little**



**Help a lot**

The Church of St. Alban is the living heart of the Tattenhall community. Please consider making a donation to help us keep the lights on and the doors open for all.

*Scan the QR code to make a donation of whatever you can afford – it will be greatly appreciated. Alternatively, you could use the*

Bank Transfer system

**Acc Name:** Tattenhall PCC **Bank Sortcode:** 40-44-03 **Acc No:** 91110624  
(Tattenhall Parochial Church Council)

Search online for 'tattenhall church' for details of our Services, events and how we can help you.



## **FINANCIAL PROBLEMS?**

Have you got enough money to pay for everything you need this month?

Are you worried about how much you owe on your electricity bill?

Are you wondering how you can get that school sweater and pay for the school trip?

## **CONTACT TATTENHALL CARES – WE CAN HELP**

**Call 01829 770482 or email**  
**[tattenhall.cares@gmail.com](mailto:tattenhall.cares@gmail.com)**

**All applications and transactions are strictly confidential**

St Alban's Church appreciates its strong link with the community. Many Villagers, whether or not regular Church goers, are interested in the welfare of the Church building and maintain an interest in what's going on. This band of anonymous people are helping to keep the church open. Are you one of them? Your support is apparent in the fantastic response to the "special appeals" the Church has had over

the last few years and attendance at our fund raising events has been marvellous.

Thanks to you the Fete raised well over £4,000. This will help boost our withering funds enormously. On behalf of the PCC, I would like to **THANK YOU MOST SINCERELY** for your support. It really is much appreciated.

**Jane Richards**

# Family Service with Communion

First Sunday of the month  
at 10:30am

Breakfast and fellowship  
before and after the service.

Sunday school  
craft activity.

A very warm  
welcome for all.



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THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND

# 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

### FROM THE DIOCESE OF CHESTER

#### Are you being called to serve?

Have you been wondering what God may be calling you to in this new season? Called to Serve roads show events could help you explore your next step. The Diocese of Chester is running a number of lay leadership courses. If you feel God is calling, please get in touch with the rector for more details.



### THREE CHURCHES TOGETHER



#### Sunday Services

**St Alban's Tattenhall** 8.00am

Holy Communion according the Book of Common Prayer

10.30 am

Holy Communion according to Common Worship

10.00 am

Every Wednesday Communion Worship Service

**N.B.** First Sunday of the month

**Family Service with new structure**

Songs of praise with shortened Communion.

Sunday School for children.

**All Saints  
Handley** 9.15am

First Sunday of the month

Family Service—no Communion

9.15am

Third Sunday

Holy Communion according to Common Worship

**Burwardsley** 4.30pm

Second Sunday of the month only

Songs of Praise

#### ST. ALBAN'S, TATTENHALL

##### St Alban's Tattenhall Loss Café

St Alban's Church offers an opportunity for all those who have lost either a relative or any loss including pets to come and have a quiet moment in church every last Friday. You will have an opportunity to meet other members of the community who walking the same



journey. The moment gives one an opportunity to either share or listen to some comforting stories from others. You do not have to be Alone! Come and join us on our next loss Café meeting on any of the last Fridays as indicated below. We meet from 10 am-11.30 am. For more information, please contact the Rector on **01829 770245**.



Our next Loss Café dates for 2025 are as follows:

31<sup>st</sup> October  
28<sup>th</sup> November

### Diary Dates:

5<sup>th</sup> October- Harvest followed by Pet Services (see advert)

9<sup>th</sup> November- Remembrance Service :**NB The Service will begin at church at 10am followed by the Act of Remembrance at The War Memorial for 11am.**

### Autumn Bible Study

**Theme-** Biblical Principles to Guide our Giving

1.10.24	Harvest of generosity :Luke 6:38
8.10.25	Giving as worship: Genesis 4:3-5 and Proverbs 3:9-10
15.10.25	Giving with the right heart: Mathew 6:1-4
22.10.25	The principles of sowing and reaping: Galatians 6:7-9
29.10.25	God's example of giving: John 3:16

### From the Registers

#### Church Service and Burial

26th August                      John Pitcher

#### Burial of Ashes

6<sup>th</sup> August                      Christopher Bluff  
22<sup>nd</sup> August                  Dr Rathnam Viswanathan  
4<sup>th</sup> September              Jean Siddorn

### ALL SAINTS CHURCH, HANDLEY

All are invited to our Annual Family Harvest Festival. As part of our giving, this year, we will be giving to 'Save the Family' in Chester. The things that will be most appreciated will be, dry goods, such as pasta and rice, tinned foods and toiletries. All families are invited to this year's celebration. Thanking you in advance for your love and generosity to those in need.



## ST JOHN'S CHURCH, BURWARDSLEY



At the time of writing we at St John's are preparing ourselves for St John's first rock concert on September 19<sup>th</sup>. Jon Jacks and his band The Devoted will have performed a fundraising event and St Johns and the bats will be settling down under a leak-proof roof. Thanks in advance to Jon and The Devoted.

### **St John's Harvest Festival will be held on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 4-30pm.**

Following the service there will be a beef hotpot supper or veggie option with crusty bread, followed by apple crumble and custard. The supper will be held in Burwardsley Village Hall at 6pm, tickets £12-50 can be bought from Sheryl at Poffee. Funds raised will be for St John's upkeep. Mike and Beryl Lea are kindly preparing and organising the supper so you can be sure it will be wonderful.

Our food donations this year will be added to St Albans for The Food Bank. Items of food may be left with Sheryl at Poffee or brought to the harvest festival service.

St John's next **Songs of Praise** will be on November 9<sup>th</sup>, Remembrance Sunday at 4-30pm where names of those Burwardsley men killed or who fought in WWI and WW2 will be read and remembered with gratitude.

Once again we are appealing to you to consider making a regular monthly donation by standing order if you wish to see St John's remain open. Alternatively you might consider the Legacy Pot Scheme by collecting 12 of the small yellow Legacy Pot envelopes at the back of the church and donating a small amount each month.

For those happy to donate via standing order our bank details are:

Nat West Bank Sort Code 60 40 08

Account No 03377741

Account Name: Burwardsley Parochial Church Council

### **St Alban's Diary Dates for December 2025**

December 18 <sup>th</sup>		Carols at The letters
December 21 <sup>st</sup>	6.30pm	Christmas Carol Service
December 24 <sup>th</sup>	4.30pm	Blessing of The Crib (Advent Trail Walk before this tbc)
December 24 <sup>th</sup>	11.30pm	Mass
December 25 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
	10.30am	Communion (Common Worship)

# Calling All **FAMILY PETS!**

You are lovingly invited to St Alban's  
Family Pet Blessing Service  
at 11:30am on Sunday 5th October



This short service will be held outside the main door porch (from Church Bank), following the earlier Harvest Festival Service. Father Lameck will give a short blessing to give thanks for the joy and companionship you bring. Don't worry about attending the Harvest Service, just come along if it is easier for the family humans.

All pets are welcome! Where necessary, you should have your human on a lead, otherwise come in a comfortable means of transport! If you are too shy or you are worried about coming to church, then please ask a human to come along with a photograph of yourself.

There will be treats for well-behaved participants!

## St Alban's Church, Tattenhall needs a **TREASURER**

*Could it be you?*

Our accounts are in good order and there is plenty of help available with banking etc.

If you have an hour or so a week to help and would like to know more about how to volunteer, please get in touch.

Thank you!

**Fr Lameck**

**tattenhallchurch@gmail.com**





## INTRODUCING



# SPORT & LEISURE TATTENHALL

**National Award Winning Club  
2022, 2023 and 2024**

friendly, purpose-built clubhouse with breath-taking views  
licensed bar - big screens - SkySports Live/TNT Sports  
busy social section

wide range of sports and facilities  
coaching - social play - competitive play - league  
junior and senior members

**clubhouse open 7am – late // gym open 5am – midnight**  
online booking  
new members welcome  
flexible membership packages

# TATTENHALL and DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL



**tattenhallpc.co.uk**



Parish Clerk: Ann Wright, 62 Well Street, Malpas, SY14 8QH  
Telephone: 01948 861035 Email: [clerk@tattenhallpc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@tattenhallpc.co.uk)

## Planning, Planning, Planning!

Planning continues to dominate the agenda in Tattenhall and other large villages in Cheshire West & Chester (CW&C) and beyond.

There are currently **2 large planning applications** that have been submitted to CW&C:

**25/01764/OUT** – Outline planning permission for up to 110 dwellings on land off Tattenhall Road .

**25/02070/FUL** – Full planning permission for 110 dwellings on land off Chester Road.

The Parish Council has objected to both applications and you can find our

objections in our minutes online at <https://tattenhallpc.co.uk/the-parish-council/minutes/> or on the CW&C planning portal under 'consultee comments'.

## Neighbourhood Plan Review

The Parish Council continues to work with planning consultants ONH to undertake site assessments of land in and around Tattenhall for possible inclusion in the Neighbourhood Plan as development sites.

**We will be consulting residents soon about sites to be allocated.**

## Tattenhall & District Parish Council has 2 Councillor vacancies



*We need people to speak up...  
People who care about their community...  
& Who want to get involved...  
....the question is, **is it you?***

To apply please send your contact details plus a short explanation as to why you would like to join the Council to the Clerk to the Council.

For more information or to apply contact the Clerk:  
Ann Wright, 62 Well Street, Malpas, Cheshire, SY14 8QH.  
☎ 01948 861 035 Email [clerk@tattenhallpc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@tattenhallpc.co.uk)

## Park Play Area

You may have noticed that a large piece of our play equipment has been removed from The Park Play Area. This is because the equipment was becoming dangerous, and we are currently reviewing options for replacing it with something bigger and better!

## Want to be kept informed?

There are a number of ways you can be kept informed about all things Parish Council including the Neighbourhood Plan review, planning and other things:

- Join our email distribution list by emailing [clerk@tattenhallpc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@tattenhallpc.co.uk)
- Follow us on Facebook [@Tattenhall&DistrictParishCouncil](https://www.facebook.com/Tattenhall&DistrictParishCouncil)
- Visit our website [www.tattenhallpc.co.uk](http://www.tattenhallpc.co.uk)
- Check out our noticeboard on the High Street.



**BARBOUR INSTITUTE, TATTENHALL**

**12TH OCTOBER FROM 2PM—3.30PM**

**Entrance—50p**



Quality donations welcome between 9.30 and 11.30am on the morning of the sale.

Textiles, clothing, toys, household items, bric a brac, home décor, artwork, shoes, accessories, garden items, craft items.

No books or DVDs.

Unfortunately, any unsold items that we cannot rehome will be disposed of—so, no damaged or incomplete donations.

Thank You.



*Barbour Institute  
Christmas, Craft Fair*

*Sunday 7th December*

*1-4.00pm*

*Sellers—please email  
[info@barbourinstitute.com](mailto:info@barbourinstitute.com)  
for more details*



# Meditation in the Church



Every Tuesday  
6.15pm - 7.00pm

***Come and join us for 30 minutes  
without words in the tranquil  
surroundings of our church.  
Feel free to bring along any  
downloaded meditations/aids on  
devices with headphones.  
Warm clothing is advised as the  
nights draw in!  
Donations for the upkeep of the  
church are always welcome.***

What is missing from St Alban's great team of

## VOL NTEE S

Can you spare some time to help us...

Look after the grounds?

Meet & greet at events?



Arrange flowers?



Keep the church tidy?

Do a bit of maintenance?



Read a lesson?



All volunteers help to  
keep the church alive!

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Perhaps an hour or two each  
week whatever the task?

Visit [www.tattenhallchurch.co.uk](http://www.tattenhallchurch.co.uk) for full details of how you can help us at St Alban's.

## Your church is open every day

from 10:00am to 5:00pm

*Enjoy the peace and quiet*

*Experience a Church service*

*Join us in a social event*

*Absorb the history of the building*

*Appreciate the floral displays*



## You are always welcome

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of our Services, events and how we can help you.



## ***Chester Male Voice Choir***

***Come and join the choir for an  
Evening of music & song***

***Sunday 26th October 2025 6:30pm  
At***

***St. Albans Church, Church Bank  
Tattenhall CH3 9QE***

***Tickets Adults £12. Under 16's £6  
Available from:***

***[www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk)***

***From The Church or contact Blair on  
07526:487868***





**West Cheshire Rural u3a next monthly meeting is on October 16th. Heroes in the sky is a performance by Sean Higgins who presents a number of anecdotes from the RAF during WW2 in the year of the VE anniversary. Colourful tales of sacrifice and derring-do told with both humour and a touch of pathos.**

**Join us at the Barbour Institute Tattenhall from 2pm with the speaker slot starting at 2.30 pm. For more information of u3a membership contact our membership secretary at [membershipwcru3a@gmail.com](mailto:membershipwcru3a@gmail.com)**

### **JANE'S JOTTINGS**

On the 7<sup>th</sup> September I was reminded the Parish News deadline was five days away. Five days have now passed and the computer screen is as blank as my mind! There has been a lot going on but nothing that has encouraged me to ponder.

Desperation setting in I looked through earlier editions of the Parish News wondering if I could cheat and use something I had written before but couldn't find anything suitable. I could never have done it anyway!

What my search did guide me to, however, was an article declaring that Tattenhall was a very caring community. It was written some time ago but the good news is I can report from personal experience (thanks to a finger) that Tattenhall still has caring residents. I recently found myself in a potentially vulnerable position and before I knew it offers of help came

flooding in. Many people give me unconditional help and support which I appreciate very much. Why then is it so hard for me to ask for assistance? Am I alone here or do you find it difficult? Is it because I am British and feel the need to adopt the stiff upper lip approach? Maybe it's something to do with loss of independence? I just don't understand it. These days it is rare for me to be asked for help but if I am, I willingly give it and I'm sure everyone feels that way. Increasingly I am finding that I need help with quite a few things so I may get used to it. On the odd occasion when I have been out on my own, I have asked random people to help me out of a seat or take Dolly the Trolley up some steps. When people realise I have an issue or two they help even more!  
They probably live in Tattenhall!



# **Tattenhall** **Repair** **Cafe**



**What is a Repair Café?** – A Repair Café is a place where you can bring broken or defective household appliances, machines, clothing, ornaments, pictures or tools for fixing by volunteers. A bit like the Repair

Shop on TV but without the tears.

**What sort of things can I bring?** – The sort of thing that you would otherwise throw away, that does not really justify a paid-for-repair. Try us with anything that is portable, that you can bring along. We cannot look at petrol fuelled appliances, or white goods, we are no good at computers. But we are very good at mechanical fixes. Take a look at the word cloud of the sorts of things we have fixed



**Do you sharpen tools?** Yes, we can sharpen kitchen knives, garden shears, secateurs, loppers. But not chainsaws.

**Is it new?** We have been running this in Tattenhall since July 2022 and have fixed 299 items

**Is it safe?** We PAT test all electrical goods before any electrical repair and afterwards

**Is it free?** There is no fee, it is free. We gratefully receive any donations as there are costs we have to cover like room hire. We are all volunteers though.

**Is it guaranteed?** There is no guarantee, we try our best. At the moment our success rate is 70%

**Why?** To save you the cost of having to replace something. To save sending stuff to landfill. To save the CO<sub>2</sub> involved in having a new replacement thing. We reckon we have saved Tattenhall over £14,000 in replacement costs, and over 7000kg of CO<sub>2</sub>

**When is it?** Every last Sunday of the month, at 10am -12 noon at Barbour Institute. Watch out on Facebook

## **The Village Surgeries Group**

**The surgery will be  
closed on  
8th October and  
4th November  
from 1.00pm.  
Phone lines will  
switch to NHS 111  
at 1.00pm on  
training afternoons.**



A huge welcome back to the  
outstanding concert pianist

**Steven Osborne**

**On Sunday, October 12th 2025**

**at the Parish Church of St. Alban, Tattenhall**

**Concert starts at 6.30pm, doors open 5.45pm**

This will be the first concert of the  
2025-26 Season.

The Programme will include pieces by Schumann, Satie,  
Kreisler, Ravel and Beethoven's 33 variations in C Major,  
Op.120 on a waltz by Diabelli ..

*(considered a monumental work for solo piano and often  
referred to as "the greatest of all piano works")*

Tickets are £14 (under 18 years are free) and can be  
purchased on the door  
In cash or by card payment .

Any enquiries to Anne McGrath 01829 770932

**BROWN KNOWL  
METHODIST CHAPEL**

**Rev. Donna Broadbent-Kelly  
01948 664369**

You are welcome to join us for worship on Sunday Mornings at 10.45am followed by Coffee and biscuits. For any further information please phone or see our website. Details below or contact 01244 535231 for general information.

Website:

[www.brownknowlmethodist.com](http://www.brownknowlmethodist.com)



***Tattenhall Bridge  
Club  
THURSDAY  
AFTERNOONS***

We meet on a Thursday in the Community Room of St Alban's Church from 2 p.m. – 5 p.m. to play duplicate bridge. We promise a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Not suitable for beginners but a good first duplicate club for those familiar with rubber / Chicago play. If interested please contact: Val Meeks

Email: [Val.Meeks@Yahoo.co.uk](mailto:Val.Meeks@Yahoo.co.uk)

Phone: 01829 770781

***Val Meeks  
Club Secretary***

**PARISH NEWS DEADLINES  
2024**

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

**The Parish News is published  
every **second** month.  
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**14<sup>th</sup> November****

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# Loss Café at St Alban's



The Loss Café is not a religious group. It is for all people from all walks of life who would like to share their moments of despair and how they are managing their respective situations. Loss is not always about death but anything that adds value to your life. Please let us know if you would like to join the Loss Café either as:

- a. A volunteer just to make tea/coffee for others
- b. A member of the loss Café willing to come and share, listen or teach

If you fall into one of the above categories, please get in touch with:  
Father Lameck-01829 770245/07903951541

**N.B.** We only meet once a month on the last Friday in the morning.

## **Don't be Alone! Just come and share**

Come along to the loss café 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. We offer all kinds of advice/positive solutions/counselling/advice on hobbies/home visits/guest speakers.



### ***Last Will and Testament***

*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).

**POLICE CONTACT NUMBERS**

**EMERGENCY calls ONLY: Ring 999**

**INCIDENT calls: Ring 101**

**Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111**