TATTENHALL HANDLEY & BURWARDSLEY PARISH NEWS



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FROM THE RECTOR

And Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord to whom can we go?" (John 6:68)

Are you at 'A Crossroads' In Your Life? It means more than you realise. Occasionally we get to a point in our lives where we see the path diverging in front of us. Sometimes it is more dramatic than that and we find ourselves at a clear crossroads — parting ways, evident choices, decisions that cannot coexist.

These points can be critical, or they can critical. seem The specific metaphor of being at a crossroads is an interesting one and there is some very unique mythology that goes along with it. My suggestion here is that this mythology is not something to be ignored. In my experience, myths are lies that tell the truth. So if you are feeling quite specifically like you are standing at a crossroads in your life, knowing the mythology associated with crossroads might help you to find your best path.

In folklore, crossroads were intimately connected with witches. In Greece, the goddess Hekate was the goddess of occult magic (amongst other occult things) and of crossroads. At a time where the gods were seen to have a direct influence on virtually every aspect of your life, this meant that people were conscious of a danger apparently inherent to being at a crossroads. This theme carried on into medieval England, were crossroads were where witches gathered to work their necromantic arts. As we came into the age of the enlightenment and now beyond into an age dominated by Christianity, science and reductionism, the mythology behind crossroads has been forgotten in our conscious minds. I believe, however, that this mythology and the occult danger present at crossroads remains in our unconscious.

While at your crossroads, what sorcery are you secretly hoping to find to help you make your mind up? Simply holding these questions in mind can provide a relevant perspective on your own position and potentially help you make a decision. At these crossroads are you going to move forward positively with these influences or are you going to leave them behind? If we pause for too long, frozen by fear or indecision, what dangers are we exposing ourselves to? Spending time mulling over options, thinking about all the possible outcomes and worrying about all the possible risks of choosing the wrong path can affect your mental health. Those times when you have lost sleep mulling over possibilities can debilitating and the risk of becoming depressed because we do not think we can make the right decision is very real. So if you feel yourself currently at a serious crossroads in life, think about such people like Simon Peter who had to make decision that gave him eternal life. Jesus turns to the twelve and asks if they are leaving also since they were struggling with what He had said to the crowd. Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have words of eternal life. "We have believed and have come to know that You are the Holy One of God." To whom shall you go? Jesus is the only path to God. At the end of the narrow path you will find eternal life! Life is about choices and life is about the freedom to make choices. God loves us so much that HE did not take that ability to choose away from us. In Deut 30:19-20 God told Moses to tell the people that they needed to choose who they were going to serve. God said that life would be found in obeying Him.



The Churches of Tattenhall, Handley and Burwardsley Churches without Walls

Rector: Rev. Canon Lameck Mutete 770245

Churchwardens:

Georgina Blackhurst 770377 Dee Mason

Handley Alex Park 771277 Christine Walley

770379 Barbara Clare 770418 Burwardslev Jean Dutton

DIOCESEAN NEWS

Archdeacon's Visitation 2016 Tuesday 31st May at 7.30 pm

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 Andrew's Church in Tarvin.

Clergy Conference 2016

The Clergy Conference is taking place in Swanick on Monday, June 27th for a week.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2017

There is going to be a Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 2017. The dates will be from Tuesday 28 March to Thursday 6 April 2017, in the latter part of Lent, but before Holy Week. I there is anyone who would like to be part of this Pilgrimage, please get in touch with the Rector.

MALPAS DEANERY NEWS

Quiet Day for the Deanery Chapter

The Deanery Chapter is having a quiet day on the 18th April at St Deiniol's, Gladstone Hall, Hawarden.

Deanery Eucharist 3rd July in St Oswald's Malpas – 10.30 am service.

Following the success of last year's Deanery Eucharist, this year's service is to be held at St Oswald's Church in Malpas and all parishes are expected to attend. On that day there will be only the one Communion Service held in our parishes; 8.00am in St Alban's at 08.00am.

Next Deanery Chapter meeting 9th May at St Chad's in Farndon CHURCH NEWS

Supporting the Life of our three local churches

Have you heard about the 'Legacy Pot' for our three sister churches. It is now over five years since we embarked on this wonderful scheme for our three sister churches; St Alban's, All Saints and Burwardsley. The idea is based upon supporting the life of your local parish church through giving just once a month through 'Legacy Pot scheme'. In this busy life we live today, there are many people who might not find time to be in church every Sunday due to a number of reasons. We have also noted over the years that there are some people who would like to support the life of their respective parish church. It was from

these studies that we had to come up with the idea of a 'Legacy Pot Scheme'. All you need is to get in touch with your local treasurer, the Rector or Church Wardens who will give you 12 envelopes for the year or Treasurer if you wish to arrange a direct debit for your monthly giving. The treasurers can also give you the church account and thus give through a standing order if you find that being an easy option.

The church will keep you informed regarding the events taking place at the church during the whole year as well as the financial position of the church you support. This scheme is convenient for all those who are connected to their local church but find it difficult to come to church every Sunday when we meet for worship. The future of our church is in our hands and together we can make a difference and thus ensure that we leave a legacy for those to come after us.

Why wait. Just join the team and be part of the bigger family of Christ.

Contacts for your local Parishes Treasures for the 'Legacy Pot'

Tattenhall- Andy Morris- 01829 770323 Handley – Sue Capper- 01244 671605 Burwardsley - Jeanne Parsons- 771277

Church Calendar

Monday 4th April The Annunciation Of Our Lord

Sunday 29th April Rogation Sunday

Saturday 23rd April The celebration of St George- The Martyr of England,

c304.

Thursday 5th May Ascension Day, an important day in the church year. The

Holy Communion will be celebrated at 7.30pm in St

Alban's Church.

May 15th Whitsunday, often, in the revised calendars of the

churches, reverting to its older, Jewish name, of

Pentecost. This is also an important day in the calendar and one which, since the abandonment in this country of the Bank Holiday which was once attached to it, has lost its public prominence. All who worship at St Alban's are

urged to worship on this day, if at all possible.

22nd May Trinity Sunday. The Sunday following Whitsunday is

called Trinity Sunday. It is a late-comer to the church year, dating only from the middle ages, and it was introduced in order to complete the round of the church year- those feasts and fasts by which we recall the significance of the life of Jesus are, Trinity Sunday

reminds us, celebrations of a life significant because it is

so designated by God.

ST ALBAN'S CHURCH, TATTENHALL

SERVICES Sunday mornings 8am and 10.30am

Last Sunday of the month 6pm Wednesday 10am

THE PAROCHIAL ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Date 7th April 2016 Venue St Alban's Tattenhall Time 12pm The Annual Church Meeting (which elects the Churchwardens) and the Annual Parish Meeting (which elects the P.C.C. and hears reports from all church organisations e.t.c.) are open to all parishioners, but only those on the Electoral Roll are allowed to vote.

All parishioners are invited to attend, and if you would like your name to be added

in future, please contact the Electoral Roll Officer, Barbara Hocke, on 01829 771698 or the Churchwardens.

N.B. Please note that this year's meeting will be held following our Sunday Communion Service at 12pm in Church.

The Messy Church

Are you aware that at St Alban's there is now a vibrant 'Messy Church'? In order to meet the needs of young mothers in our community, the church has for the past year been running this exciting project. The idea is that mothers with young children will meet in church for a meal and some fruitful group discussion whilst the children engage in other forms of activities as organised by the leaders. All we need is you and your children and everything else is provided by the church. If you live in the village or the surroundings, you are most welcome to come on the first Friday of every month at 4.00 pm, soon after school and you will be most welcome. Although we now have leaders, we still need more volunteers who will help in the organisation of this group. Please contact the Rector or Churchwardens if you would like to offer help or know more about Messy Church.

St Alban's Sunday School and Youth Programme commencing soon..

Now that our Community Room is to open its doors to the community on the 18th May, please note that this will be the beginning of our Youth and Sunday School programmes. The Vault /Community room was built for the community to use hence we invite all those with young children to bring them to the 10.30am service and they will be welcomed by our teachers who are well experienced to look after your children during the service. All are welcome.

FROM THE RECORDS Baptism

28th February Bobby Wyn Williams

Obituary

Alan Edward Jones 1936 - 2016

A Memorial Service to celebrate the life of Alan was held on 25th February. He was born in Birkenhead the eldest of three children and trained as a heavy goods vehicle mechanic during his National Service. He married Norma in 1959 and they had three children. A change of job to an engineering co brought them to Lynhurst Broxton in 1974 and this was the family home for the next 42 years where he had an extensive Hornby layout in one of the bedrooms.

Following retirement he took up researching the family tree, used his bus pass to keep up with family and friends and attended Lunch & Learn, TOF's and CLiC. After Norma had a stroke in 2014 he became her carer until his own health became a concern and sadly he was diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease. At this time both he and Norma moved to Iddenshall Hall where he passed away in his sleep on 16th February. Alan a lovely, happy man who loved his family and the funny stories told at his Memorial Service were testament to that. Alan is survived by Norma, children Carol, Graham and Val, grandchildren, Matthew, Daniel, Michael, Andrew, Stephen George, and Amy, and great-grandchildren, Joshua, Ryan, Lauren and Georgia. Some years ago Alan bequeathed his body to Liverpool university medical unit and the family is comforted by the fact that this will be of benefit to others in the future

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, HANDLEY

SERVICES 1st SUNDAY Family Service 9.15am 3rd SUNDAY Communion Service 9.15am

PAROCHIAL ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

30th March 2016 Venue Old Rectory, Handley Time 8pm

The Annual Church Meeting (which elects the Churchwardens) and the Annual Parish Meeting (which elects the P.C.C. and hears reports from all church organisations e.t.c.) are open to all parishioners, but only those on the Electoral Roll are allowed to vote. All parishioners are invited to attend, and if you would

like your name to be added in future, please contact the Parish Secretary; Rory Lea770212 or the Churchwardens.

Quiz Night

A special thanks to all who came to our Quiz Night fundraising event at the Flacca club. We continue to give thanks to all our generous supporters who are always there to support us in season and out of season. Thanks to the winners for this year and I hope that you will prepare for a stiff challenge next time. Once again, thank you all for your presence and generosity.

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, BURWARDSLEY

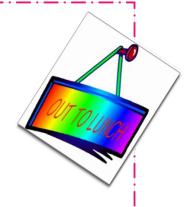
SERVICES 2nd SUNDAY Songs of Praise 4.30pm 4th SUNDAY Communion Service 9.15am

PAROCHIAL ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

19th April 2016 Venue The Rectory, Tattenhall Time 2pm
The Annual Church Meeting (which elects the Churchwardens) and the Annual Parish
Meeting (which elects the P.C.C. and hears reports from all church organisations
e.t.c.) are open to all parishioners, but only those on the Electoral Roll are allowed to
vote. All parishioners are invited to attend, and if you would like your name to be
added in future, please contact the Parish Secretary; Rachel Hall on 770610 or the
Churchwardens.

Come And Meet Each Other

As a change from the normal routine, the next CAMEO Lunch will be on Thursday 7th April at 12 noon for 12.30 at Carriages Restaurant This is open to everyone in the village Contact Kate on 771660



St Alban's Church has a new website
Still at the same address www.tattenhallchurch.co.uk

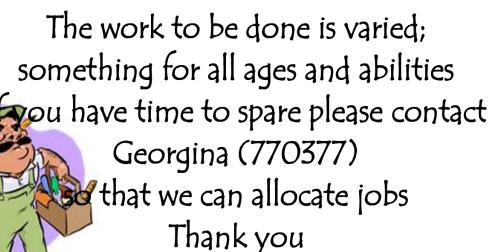
Still linked to friendly and

Facebook and Twitter informative

but more user-

As well as all the usual services and other activities centered around the church, our calendar will now detail forthcoming weddings and funerals Check it out!

SPRUCE UP FOR SPRING
Please help tidy up the
Church and Churchyard
on Saturday 23rd April
from 10.00am



St Alban's Church invites you and your family to take part in the monthly family fun 'Messy Church'

Join us on the first Friday of every month for

Church with a difference

Next meetings: - 1st April and 6th May from 4pm to approximately 5.30pm



British Heart Foundation "Heartstart" Training 2016

The **Heartstart** programme includes: assessing an unconscious patient, performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), dealing with choking, dealing with serious bleeding, helping someone who may be having a heart attack.

The next sessions are on Saturdays, 2-5pm on:

18 June; 3 September; 19 November 2016

Defibrillator Training 2016

Tattenhall Community First Responders have funded wholly or in part the provision of a number of defibrillators in the locality, and everyone should know how to use them. The next sessions are on Saturdays, 2-4.30pm on the following dates:

25 June; 24 September; 3 December 2016

The training is being delivered by

Tattenhall Community First Responders

at The Studio, Worley Court, Bolesworth Road, Tattenhall, CH3 9HW

To book a place, phone either:

Jill Raine on 01829 771895 or Rob Selby on 01829 770586

Cost: This training is provided free of charge - however donations to Tattenhall Community First Responders are gratefully received.

www.thestudiotattenhall.co.uk

TATTENHALL BRIDGE CLUB

New members welcome! A friendly introduction to club bridge You do not need a partner just come along — we have a host system.

We meet at 7 p.m. every Friday in the Barbour Institute, High Street, Tattenhall, CH3 9PX

Interested?

Contact Val Meeks :- Email Val_Meeks@Yahoo.co.uk or phone 01829 770781

Material for the Parish News should be sent to the Editor, preferably by email to tattparish.news@hotmail.com

If email is not possible, please forward written contributions (typed if possible) to 22 Greenlands, Tattenhall.

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TATTENHALL SURGERY

The Surgery will be closed from 12.30 on 28th April and on 17th May.

The Surgery will reopen at 8.00am the following morning. In cases of emergency, please ring 01829 770234.

OBITUARY

JAMES FRANK CLARE Died: 2nd August 2015

Born in Wallasey in 1928 James left school at 15 to gain a Special Licence to enable him to drive lorries helping the wounded during the 2nd World War. Once he fully enlisted into the army he was posted to Honiton in Devon where he met his wife Sylvia, finally re-locating back to Wallasey once he left the Army.

James worked in the civil engineering and construction business before moving to Burwardsley in 1968 where he set up his own business Cheshire Sales which he ran successfully until he retired at 75.

He lost Sylvia to cancer in 1988 but shared the last 18 years of his life with his partner Barbara, with whom he went on several wonderful cruises.

James leaves behind his partner Barbara, daughter Denise and son-in-law, Peter.

TATTENHALL and DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL



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The Parish Council held its monthly meeting on 7th March.

During Open Forum, when residents have the opportunity to raise issues with councillors, PC Ged Gigg reported on an initiative being rolled out called Operation Shield which is a unique property marking system which can help the police identify recovered items to a particular property. For individuals, the cost would be approximately £40 but discounts are available for 'bulk buying' and the Community Safety Group will assess if this is something which would be of value to Tattenhall. Matthew Morris of Bolesworth Estate also used Open Forum to advise that the fire damaged barn at Whtehead Farm, Burwardsley Road will come down shortly. He also reported that during CarFest North the organisers are actively looking at a safe walking route from Tattenhall to the event and has assured residents that traffic going to the Bolesworth Internation Horse Show will no longer use Frog Lane.

The Clerk reported that she had received two quotes for grass cutting around the village. It was decided to continue with the contractor used over the last few years. He will also be asked to quote for renewal of some fencing

around The Spinney and near the Spinney bridge.

Community safety issues were raised at the Open Forum. The worries over speeding traffic past the school will be addressed with re-examining the possibility of a speed limit restriction and/or provision of a controlled crossing. Cllr Spencer spoke about the decision of CWaC to remove the Communities Fund part of the New Homes Bonus.

There will now be a substantial loss of funding for local projects not only for Tattenhall but also other rural communities including Malpas and Tarporley. The Parish Council will work with other local councils to try and have this decision reversed.

Following a letter from a resident and verbal reports to several Councillors, Inspired Village are to be approached about the destruction of the daffodil bulbs on the grass verge in Frog Lane. The developers will be asked to reinstate the verge and daffodils. A meeting will be called to

progress the Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations. A picnic on the Park is planned on June 12th.

Cllr. Sheila Chapman

VILLAGE DIARY

APRIL			
7th	CAMEO Lunch	Carriages	12 noon
8th	PARISH NEWS DEADLINE		
10th	Jumble Sale	Barbour Institute	2.00pm
16th	Rural Theatre	Barbour Institute	7.30pm
20th	WI Meeting	Barbour Institute	7.30pm
21st	TOFs Mystery Coach Trip	Barbour Institute	8.30am
21st	U3A Meeting	Barbour Institute	2.00pm
23rd	Spruce up the Churchyard	St. Albans	10.00am
27th	Film@Barbour	Barbour Institute	8.00pm
MAY			
8th	Tattenhall Music Society	Barbour Institute	7.00pm
18th	Official Opening of the Vault	St. Albans	7.30pm
21st	Open Day at the Church	St. Albans	tbc
JUNE			
12th	Picnic on the Park		Tbc
24th	Charity Golf Day	Aldersey Green	
25th	Church Fete	Church Bank/ The Park	various

BROWN KNOWL METHODIST CHAPEL Rev. Marian Jones 01978 810292

We are a friendly community and you are assured of a warm welcome if you come along and join in our activities. Weekly Sunday worship is at 1045am and we also have special combined services with Bickerton

Church congregation, activities for the children and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on the first Sunday in the month.

Coffee is served each week after the



morning service.

The ladies have a speaker at their monthly meeting and the men enjoy a walking group, with lunch,. A morning Bible study group is open to all and social fund raising events are always most enjoyable.

Our premises can be hired for community events—for more information call 01829 782283.

Margaret Cox

Tattenhall Community Land Trust

Tattenhall Community Land Trust held its Open Day on Saturday 16th January. Many residents dropped in to hear the presentation by John Heselwood of Cheshire Community Action. People were asked to sign up as members of the potential Community Land Trust and to date 106 residents have paid their £1 for life membership. Several members also indicated their willingness to come on board as members of the Steering Group, guiding the C L T into becoming a legal entity.

The initial meeting of the expanded Steering Group took place on Monday 22nd February and a follow up meeting is taking place as these notes are being written. We want to work with the community, various external partners, (including national bodies) with a view to bringing forward affordable rented accommodation for local people.



As we plan our own celebration on the Park in June, we would like to take this opportunity to wish the Queen a Happy 90th Birthday on 21st April. Full details of what is happening on 12th June will be in next month's magazine, but please do put the date in your diary now.

TATTENHALL OVER FIFTIES (TOFS)

Chairman: Noel Atkinson 01829 770808

Treasurer: Jack Raine Secretary: Carol Weaver 01829 771443

The speaker at the meeting on Thursday 4th March was Donald Lodge who spoke very amusingly of how he trained as a chef then became a butler and the characters he worked for over the years. The meeting on Thursday 7th April will be the annual Spring Bingo. All are welcome so eyes down and look in. There will be a speaker at the meeting on Thursday 5th May and on Thursday

2nd June the Summer party will commemorate the 90th birthday of Her Majesty the Queen with a singer. Coach trips this year will take place on 21st April, 16th June, 18th August and 20th October. Destinations are to be announced but Llandudno will be one. Snowdrops are smiling and daffodils are dancing so come along and be a TOF

TRAVEL WITH TOF'S



TOF's first coach trip of the season is a **MYSTERY TOUR** departing from the Barbour Institute at 8.30 am on

Thursday 21st April.

Everyone, including non-members, is welcome For details and seat availability please contact Noel (770523) or Diane (770523)



CHESHIRE COMMUNITY ACTION COMMUNITY AGENT

Cheshire Community Action regret to announce that the grant funding for the Community Agent project has come to an end.

As previously reported there will be no further Lunch & Learns run by CCA and Carol Weaver, our Community Agent in the rural area, will leave her post on 31st March so will not be taking any further referrals.

Carol and Cheshire Community Action would like to thank all those people who have supported, and used, this project over the last 12 months.

TATTENHALL PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Laura Noble 01244 981260

SPORTS NEWS

Mr Sarginson's Match Report All of Mrs Curry's Handball club members had the opportunity to take part in the Year 5/6 Bishop Heber Handball Tournament recently. The children were all very well behaved and showed good sportsmanship throughout. Mrs Curry said that the A team were unlucky not to get out of the group stages this year, especially with some great displays of teamwork and passing, and plenty of shots on goal. Mr Sarginson was very impressed by the positive 'can-do' attitude of the B team, who worked really hard for each other, and never stopped giving 100% effort. Well done Team Tattenhall!

EVENTS

KS1/EYFS Phonics Workshop

Mrs d'Albert Dodd and her team held a successful Phonics Workshop Evening at school which was very well attended. The evening provided an invaluable opportunity for parents to visit all the classrooms in KS1/EYFS and experience for themselves the different phonics workshops taking place. The feedback from these hands -on learning sessions was extremely positive and we look forward to providing more of these interactive experiences for parents in the near future.

World Book Day

It was wonderful to see the children coming to school clutching their favourite books from home on World Book Day. There were a host of literature related activities taking place in every classroom to encourage the appreciation of different authors,

styles and genres. The children shared their wonderfully creative projects in a whole school assembly which clearly demonstrated a heightened enthusiasm for reading new books and other reading materials.

OUT and ABOUT

Y2 Reaseheath College Trip

Mr Jones set off with his class to Reaseheath College to take part in a variety of activities including a tour of the farm, lambing and a workshop on habitats. The children were fortunate enough to witness the birth of a lamb. They all had a fabulous time and were full of tales about all that they had seen.

Kingswood Residential

At the point of going to print we are waiting to welcome Year 4 back to school following their residential trip to Wales. I look forward to hearing all their news and will report back more fully next month. Reports so far tell of a wonderful time with all the children getting fully involved and having the best experience ever. Fantastic!

Forthcoming Events

We would be so pleased to welcome you to join us for our annual Noble Poetry Prize event which will be held in our school hall at 9.15 on Friday 22 April. If you like poetry recitals and musical interludes you will certainly enjoy this celebration. Entrance will be via the hall doors.

Laura Noble Headteacher



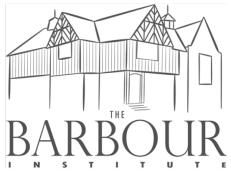
Tattenhall Country Market

The market is open each Friday at the Barbour Institute. from 9.30-11.00a.m. Please note the new time.

It is an excellent source of good quality, local, home made food, including ready meals, pies (both sweet and savoury), bread, cakes, preserves, local honey, free range eggs, seasonal fruit and vegetables, plants and crafts.

For more information or to place an order, please contact Marion Bevan on 770196 or Liz Mogg on 770998, or visit our website at www.tattenhallcountrymarket.com





There is no concert in April but this is advance notice of the Folk & Supper @ the Barbour on Sunday, May 8th at 7pm, doors open 6.30pm.

TMS and the Barbour Institute are joining together to present an evening of music and supper. Last year's Jazz and Supper night was a sell out so put the date into your diary. Tickets will be £14 per person

and will include a 2 course supper. There will be tables of 8 so if you want to sit with friends then mention that when booking. Tickets are available from Tudor Cottage, Church Bank, Tattenhall CH3 9QE, Tel: 01829 770932 and will be on sale from April 1st. Cheques to be made payable to 'Tattenhall Music Society'. Tickets can be posted if a stamped addressed envelope is provided. There will be no tickets for sale on the door as we will need to confirm numbers for catering purposes. If you require any more information don't hesitate to get in touch with Anne McGrath at the number above.

PARISH NEWS DEADLINES 2016

8th April, 11th May, 10th June, 13th July, 10th August, 9th September, 12th October, 11th November



The next meeting of the W I will take place on April 20th at 7.30 pm in the upstairs room at the Barbour Institute. Our speaker will be Christina Spencer on The History of the Bibby Line. This is an independent U K shipping and marine operations company founded in Liverpool in 1807. Starting with steam and sailing cargo ships, followed by passenger and cruise ships, some of which served as troopships and hospital ships during the war. In 1982 Bibby Financial Services was formed and now has over 46 offices throughout the world.

Do come along and enjoy a free taster visit with our friendly group, when we will have special refreshments to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday. If you enjoy walking, crafts and scrabble, these are all part of our activities during each month. We would love to welcome you.

Dear Tattenhall

It is me again! Ruth from the WI. You will be pleased to know we have a lot of new members who like our programme of events. We have a team of four planning the year's programme and they like to keep the plan a secret from me! It started as a joke but this suits very well as I love surprises: one of my favourite times is my birthday, regardless of age and hopefully full of surprises. So Anne, Esme, Judith and Joan are doing a great job. I think I will start showing you their photos so that if you meet them in the village you can ask about the WI.

A lot has happened since I last wrote in the Parish News. I have written again to our MP, Antoinette Sandbach about our concerns about the Post Office and she has contacted the Royal Mail. As I have not had a reply, I am about to write to the Royal Mail, with a copy to the MP. We have cleaned for the Queen, along with the rest of the village and we have had our members posted on the Village Website doing their bit. We met other people on this day who were equally passionate about keeping our village spotless.

Our WI has started a book club which is proving very popular, under the direction of Kate. We may even end up with two groups. There are other various groups you can join too. Today many of us have had a lovely walk by the lake, through the town and the canals of Ellesmere in Shropshire, with coffee before and lunch after in the café overlooking the heronry. Next month is a town walk round Chester.

We are about to go to a production of Oliver at the Lyceum in Crewe and in June plan to visit Martin Mere. Later in the year, a trip is being planned to the Whitworth Art Gallery in Manchester, which has recently been restored.

We are in the process of honouring the Queen's 90th birthday. One of our members, Linda, has made a beautiful card and two of our members, Pat and Barbara have written poems in honour of the event which Trish will inscribe in the card. The members will then be invited to sign the card before we send it with love to our Oueen. Our next meeting night in April is on the eve of her birthday and we will toast the Queen and indulge in a slice or two of WI cake. Our quiz teams our excelling themselves. The first one has come 5th in the County and last night the 2nd team were winners.

Please come and join us on the third Wednesday of the month, upstairs at the Barbour. You will be made welcome.

Ruth McPhillips President



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Rural Touring at Tattenhall

Saturday 16th April: 'Captain Morgan and The Sands of Time', brought to you by Tap Tap Theatre, 7.30pm

Captain Morgan and First Mate Hammond quest for the secrets of time-travel in a riproaring adventure comedy. This award winning family show docks in Tattenhall on Saturday 16th April at 7.30pm. All landlubbers are welcome (suitable for children 8+). So get on board - but be prepared to slay monsters and battle sea gods. Two actors. Forty-four characters. One hell of a ride.

Tickets: Adults £9, Children £6, available at Complement and The Studio, or ring 01829 771374, or on-line booking at https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/235467

Coming next... Friday 20th May: 'ORIGINS' – Animikii Theatre

Direct from dates at The Lowry and The Southbank Centre, London, Animikii Theatre brings the story of Cain after the murder of his brother. Origins is a psychological thriller that plunges into the heart of darkness where movement, sound and rhythm fuse to create a physically pulsating stage adventure. Join us on Friday 20th May to see this exciting and inventive Manchester based physical theatre group. (Tickets available from 18th April)

New ISTD Ballet Classes

Starting Friday 22nd April, for children aged 4-7 years

Does your child love to dance? Then bring them along to our new fun and friendly ballet classes. First class is FREE and then £4.50 a class. For class times and to book a place for your child please contact Amy on 07562 325736 or

info@infinitydanceandtheatreschool.com

Film Night at the Barbour Wednesday 27th April: 'Far From the Madding Crowd'

(cert PG) Thomas Hardy's novel. The story of Bathsheba (Carey Mulligan) and her three very different suitors. Atmospheric filming as most scenes are shot out of doors, giving this film a genuine bucolic feel.

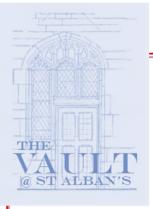
Also stars Michael Sheen.

Film starts at 8.00pm (doors open at 7.30pm). We don't have an interval, but the bar will remain open. No need to book in advance, just pay on the door: £5 Adults, £4 under 18s. (Children must be accompanied.)

Please don't forget the Jumble Sale which is on 10th April. For details, see the advert which is elsewhere in the magazine.

Tattenhall Community Association: Charity Number 1094557

FLUSHED WITH SUCCESS



Unforeseen
deadline changes
last month
necessitated
brevity regarding
the progress of the
Vault!

Details given in February and

March predicted good news; now we reach April - and I am able to confirm that the Privy Council's work is nearly done.

This amazing project will be complete by the time this article is published!
As long as all continues smoothly,
Welsh Water will have connected the toilets to whatever they need to be connected to (sorry I failed my plumbing exams!). The kitchen is installed; furniture, soft furnishings and even a piano are all in place ready for the Official Opening and Village Celebrations.

There are no fund raising requests to be found just preliminary details of special dates:

Wednesday 18th May and Saturday 21st May will see the official opening and dedication by the Bishop of Chester and a Village Open Day.

18TH MAY AT 7.30 pm IN ST ALBAN'S

An evening to give thanks through celebration and information. The story of the Vault with music and bell ringing, refreshments and fireworks. Full details of the programme will be available in the next Parish News.

21ST MAY OPEN DAY FOR THE WHOLE VILLAGE will include fun and thrilling activities (abseiling would you believe), refreshments and brunch. The Day will conclude with the welcome return of Puppets and Praises—a great group of guys who promised all those months ago, when the Vault was still a bit of a dream, that they would come back when it was built. True to their word they will be with us on the 21st.

Watch for specific details in next Parish News.

To get to the stage where I can write all this wonderful information is truly amazing for me and worth every second of the hard work and effort of those dedicated to the task!

COME – ENJOY THE CELEBRATIONS – YOU HELPED ACHIEVE THIS!

Best wishes—Jane Richards



GardenTrail for Christian Aid

A number of gardens will be open over the weekend of June 4th /5th to raise funds for Christian Aid.

There is still time for anyone who would like to consider opening their garden to do so!

Contact Carolyn on 770542 or Judith on 771088

TATTENHALL BROWNIES

As part of a fundraising initiative and as part of their Hostess badge, Tattenhall Brownies recently held a 'Great Brownie Bake Off', complete with homemade aprons, bunting and tablecloths! The Brownies designed it all from the décor to the entertainment as well as baking some truly magnificent cakes. They also 'hosted the event, ensuring that their guests were well looked after, serving them coffee and cake all night!

In true Bake-Off style, there were different categories that the cakes could be judged by and these were: 'Best Taste', 'Best Decorated' and 'Most Unique'.

However, this required the skill and expertise of some knowledgeable judges so the obvious choice was to ask ladies of the Tattenhall WI. They had the very difficult job of tasting over 30 cakes and breads and the three judges all remarked on how impressed they were with the extremely high quality and standards of the bakes.

The parents and Brownies were also honored and fascinated to hear from Pat Reynolds, a member of the WI but also leader of Tattenhall Brownies for 25 years!

Not only had she been in a Brownie herself in the 1940's but then she became a leader in this village. After the event, Louise Gibson, leader of Tattenhall Brownies, said: "I cannot thank the members of Tattenhall WI enough for attending our Brownie Bake-Off. I know the parents were extremely pleased to have such wonderful 'judges' and the Brownies were all even more enthusiastic to try and impress them. I was also extremely touched at the thought and consideration that each 'judge' gave to all 30 cakes!!! It was an extremely difficult task to judge and they did it so wonderfully.

It was so lovely to have two femaleonly village groups come together for a special event, especially when it is two different generations who can share their skills and knowledge with each other.

What a wonderful opportunity for our Brownies! We were extremely thrilled and honoured and I really hope that Tattenhall Brownies and the WI can work together again in the near future."





Come and join us for the next meeting of West
Cheshire Rural U3A on **Thursday 21**st **April** at the
Barbour Institute in Tattenhall. Our speaker will
be

Jean Hancox

"Who Dunnit?" (Forensic Science)



Refreshments will be served from 2pm.

For further information on membership and forthcoming events please contact either Hilary Scarratt 01829 770516 Hilary@Scarratt.com or Jean Hancox, jean.hancox1922@btinternet.com

JumBle Sale

Sunday 10th April

Barbour Institute, Tattenhall
Doors open 2.00pm Entrance 30p
Donations are welcome 9.30-11.30am
on the morning of sale, thank you
(no books or videos please)



Tattenhall Community First Responders Annual Charity Golf Day Friday 24 June 2016

Tattenhall Community First Responder Group is hosting its seventh annual Charity Golf Day at Aldersey Green Golf Club on Friday 24 June 2016. All previous years' events have been a great success and enjoyed by all, so why not support us by entering a team, sponsoring a hole or donating a prize?

It only costs £50 to sponsor a hole, and £100 to enter a team of four, for which you get tea and coffee on arrival, 18 holes of golf and a two-course meal after play.

Please contact Nigel Worthington on 01829 770511 to enter or for sponsorship details

Tattenhall First Responders are unpaid volunteers who respond to certain 999 emergency calls in the local area.

We are trained to provide basic life support, administer defibrillation and oxygen, and provide first aid and re-assurance for a range of conditions.

As well as responding to medical emergencies in the local area, we also provide emergency life support training for local people in conjunction with **Jill Raine** at **"The Studio" in Worley Court.** For more details of this please contact Jill on **01829 771895.**

For further information contact Rob Selby on 01829 770586 or robertselby586@btinternet.com



HOMEWATCH

Dear Residents

With the recent changes to our local Police officers we would like to make you aware of their contact details via e -mail. Ged Gigg the former Tarporley Police officer is now the local officer for Tattenhall. We have also just acquired a new PCSO for the area Jen Gilbert. Their contact details are as follows, either via 101 to leave a message or via email:

gerard.gigg@cheshire.pnn.police.uk
and jen.gilbert@cheshire.pnn.police.uk

We would also like to take this opportunity of thanking Tony Owens our former local Police officer on his retirement. Not only for all the help and support he has given to Tattenhall and the wider area but especially for all the backing to Homewatch and in keeping members aware of trends to look out for and updates on incidents where permitted. Fortunately he is still around the area and we look forward to seeing him about for the occasional chat.

There have been further incidents of anti social behaviour in the form of mindless vandalism to public buildings in the area. Residents are urged to pass on any information to Jen, our new PCSO, as soon as possible. If you are aware of or you have witnessed similar behaviour on property around the Village please also let us know. You can call HomeWatch 771641 / Police 101 or alternatively Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 in complete confidence. The Police need to know at the time so they can deal with it then, not the day after.

Items worth over £2,500 were security marked last month. See below for details of how to obtain your free UV marker pen and get your power tools etc security engraved for free.

The Police always welcome your call on 101 so let them make the decision to attend an incident or not, If you aren't sure you can always call HomeWatch 771641 for advice or

anonymously **CRIMESTOPPERS on 0800 555 111.**

More resources means Police back in our areas and better response times. So make that call on 101 when you feel something is suspicious.

Rural officer contact details.

Some of our senior officers for our area have changed and these are now: Rural Inspector Paul Loughlin,
Sergeant Ian Wilson – Chester Rural Beat Management Sergeant.

Our local contact officers for Tattenhall via 101 are now...

Tattenhall (Tattenhall, Hargrave, Tiverton, Milton Green, Burwardsley, Beeston)

PC Gerard Gigg and PCSO Jonathan Hurst

If you wish to e-mail any of the above individuals their address is their name followed by @cheshire.pnn.police.uk. For example:

jonathan.hurst@cheshire.pnn.police.uk gerard.gigg ian.Wilson paul.loughlin

FREE UV marker pens are available on request at the 'Drop In' at the Barbour Institute, one for each

POLICE CONTACT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY calls ONLY: Ring 999 INCIDENT calls: Ring 101 Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111

person attending. This is held every Tuesday 10am - 12noon and all are welcome so come along for a chat and sort out the world's problems with endless cuppas and biscuits for £1 per person, along with security advice thrown in for free (Community Safety Wardens on the first Tuesday of the Month) With your free **FREE UV marker** pens all that is required is that you mark your valued items with your house Name or number and Postcode. Sometimes items are stolen and discarded that are of no value to the thief but of great

sentimental value to you. Think about it, what have you got to lose.

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

Graham Marsden 771641





ST. ALBAN'S CHURCH FETE will be on Saturday 25th June 2016



This year our theme will be The Olympics



It's never too soon to start thinking how YOU can dress up for the Parade

We would like to invite local groups and societies to 'have a table' at the Fete on the Park in order to publicise the group's activities

Please contact Georgina (770377) or randgblackhurst@gmail.com

This year we are also incorporating a small

Craft Market and area for Commercial Stalls into our Fete.

If you are a small local business and would like a stall please email randgblackhurst@gmail.com for information

If you have any unwanted gifts which we could use on the Tombola stall, please leave them at 17 Oaklands Avenue or The Rectory.