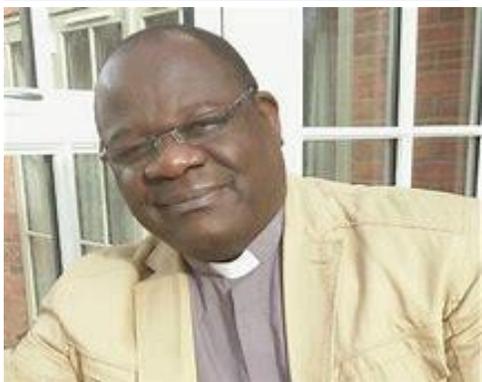


'Keeping St Alban's Alive'

It is now more than two months since we stopped meeting in church due to the outbreak of the corona virus pandemic. While much of the secular world's response to the virus has been inward-looking, driven by fear, the church in Tattenhall saw the COVID-19 situation presenting a God given chance to shine in the darkness.

A message from Fr. Lameck



A lot has taken place since lockdown. I have since switched from the Sunday pulpit to become a digital expert over night. We now have audio sermons every Sunday and some 'thoughts for the day' every Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Our website has generated more viewers/hits than ever before and we hope that this dark phase may yield more Faithfuls for the Lord. During the Holy Week, the pastoral team helped me in giving out some inspiring leaflets which we dropped in many homes.

As we dropped these leaflets of hope, it was clear that our church had "reinvented" itself in response to the corona virus crisis and was providing "care, comfort, encouragement, love and hope."

I continue to offer pastoral support in a number of areas; Funerals, illnesses, marriage counselling, domestic matters, and routine phone call checks on our parishioners.

I am still doing funerals and offering pre/post bereavement counselling which is extremely difficult at this moment due to social distancing. Although we are not meeting in church, I am happy to pray with anyone over the phone at any given time. I am just a call away from you. Please do not hesitate to give a ring where you require help or information about the services that we offer at the moment.

Together, we can make a difference.



Flying the Flag on VE Day Anniversary to salute those who gave so much.

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The Church Fete has been cancelled this year, but read on to find out about the work of St Alban's during lockdown



This year Christian Aid was focusing on climate change and the effect on those communities where there is drought when once rainfall was sufficient. Money raised helps communities through building projects to provide a long-lasting source of water. I had a plant sale on my drive which raised **£436.83** in 2 days which is an excellent result. A big thank you to all those who came & bought plants and gave donations.



I am planning a smaller scale sale of plants for church funds **on June 20th** again on my drive. If any of you have a plant to spare I would be delighted to receive them.
Carolyn (Greenlands Drive)

Tattenhall Helpline



As we move to a new stage of alertness, it is time to say "thank you" to the volunteers who have answered the phone and undertaken errands for shielding Tattenhallers in the last 10 weeks. The line was set up as a partnership between our church and the Parish Council in response to the constraints of lockdown. The line continues to be in operation if you need help.

Tattenhall Helpline
07595613668



The Churchyard

Starting last summer we have taken over maintenance ourselves rather than use the Probation Service. The first task was to purchase a mower and then form a team of people to take responsibility for a section of the churchyard.

We now have a team of nine to do the maintenance. There has even been competition for the mower (!) so a second machine has now been acquired along with a couple of strimmers to cut round the gravestones. We have also been able to mow round many of the wild flowers particularly primroses and wild garlic which have given a good spring display.

Tattenhall Foodbank

In response to the growing needs of our community Cathy Kitchin and Dee Mason quickly arranged and organized food packages for residents in food poverty or simply struggling to access shops. It became clear that there was a bigger need for a more sustained approach for an established foodbank. St Alban's is now working in partnership with Tattenhall Park Primary and The West Cheshire Food bank and have set up a depot to deliver from and to receive donations.

To access the foodbank call:
01513557730 or 01244981260

Donations are gratefully accepted and can be left in the church porch or at school.

Keeping in Touch

A new **"Thought for the Day"** is put on the website every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
Tattenhallchurch.co.uk

Prayers for our Community

There is a short prayer meeting using WhatsApp or Zoom on Mondays and Fridays at 6pm. If you would like to take part please get in touch with Fr Lameck for joining details.

Sunday Service

Every Sunday a full service of church bells, readings, hymns and sermon is put on the church website.

If you would like to donate to any of the church efforts, please contact
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