St Mary's Acton, St David's Wettenhall & St Oswald's Worleston February 2023



The Cross Country Parishes of Acton, Church Minshull, Wettenhall & Worleston.

Dear Friends

Looking forward to spring



On 2 February, the Church celebrates Candlemas to remember when Mary and Joseph took the 40-day old Jesus to present him to God. There are many country sayings and beliefs around Candlemas. Many of us will know 'If Candlemas be fair and bright, winter will have another flight, if Candlemas day brings clouds and rain, winter won't come again'. Perhaps less well known is the saying about 'Half wood and half hay', meaning that if half the wood pile and half the hay is left by Candlemas, there's enough to last the winter months until spring comes again.

Marking the end of the Christmas season, Candlemas is a time to look forward. It is a reminder that the light of Jesus continues to shine through the darkest days, and reminds us to look forward to spring and Easter.

Later in the month, on 22nd February, we mark Ash Wednesday and the start of Lent. Lent is an ancient word which means 'lengthen' and is a 40-day period in which we prepare for Easter.

February can often feel like one of the darkest, most difficult months of the year, but it is also shot-through with hope. Hope that spring will come. Hope that, after 40 days of Lent and Holy Week, Easter will come with the joy of the resurrection.

February might not be a favourite month of the year, but there are signs of hope. The candles of Candlemas remind us that the light of Jesus continues to shine long after the 40-days of Christmas. Lent reminds us of the hope of resurrection. Nature too gives us reminders as snowdrops flower and birds begin to sing their mating songs, and the days begin to lengthen significantly.

Yours as we look forward to the hope of resurrection,

Revd Anne

Valentines Day Tuesday 14th February



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Day Tuesday 21st February



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United Ash Wednesday service at Acton on Wednesday 22nd February at 10.30am

Sunday Services

Acton

5 th Feb	11:00 am Communion, 6:30 pm Evensong
12 th Feb	8:00 am Communion, 11:00 am Morning Prayer
19 th Feb	10:00 am Messy Church
26 th Feb	8:00 am Communion, 11:00 am Morning Prayer
5 th Mar	11:00 am United at Wettenhall, 6:30pm Songs of Praise

Church Minshull

5 th Feb	11:00 am Service of the Word
12 th Feb	11:00 am Cafe Church
19 th Feb	11:00 am Communion
26 th Feb	11:00 am Messy Church
5 th Mar	11:00 am United at Wettenhall

Worleston

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12 th Feb	9:30 am Communion
19 th Feb	No Service
26 th Feb	9:30 am Morning Prayer
5 th Mar	11:00 am United at Wettenhall

Wettenhall

5 th Feb	11:00 am Morning Prayer
12 th Feb	11:00 am Communion
19 th Feb	11:00 am All Age
26 th Feb	6:30 pm Communion
5 th Mar	11:00 am United Communion

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St David's Church Wettenhall					
	Sidespersons Cleaning & Flowers *				
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^{*} Lent begins 22nd February. No flowers until Easter Day 9th April

St David's Patronal

On Sunday March 5th we will celebrate



with a United Service at 11am.



Everyone is very welcome to join us, as we look forward to singing some rousing Welsh tunes, enjoy the sight of early spring daffodils, and share in delicious refreshments following the service.

Make a note in your diaries now!



Coffee & Cake

The next meetings will be on Thursday 2nd February & 2nd March from 10-12 noon in Church. Everyone is very welcome to pop in for as little or as long as they wish.





Darnhall and Wettenhall WI

Darnhall and Wettenhall have a joint WI group who meet together at Darnhall Village Hall on the first Tuesday of each month, except January, at 7.00pm. There is an annual subscription and a local monthly cost of 50 pence to cover the refreshment costs.

But what do members get out of being in the WI? Friendship, support, advice on all manner of subjects, knowledge, fun and laughter just for a start. It is a group of women from all sorts of backgrounds, ages, and working and family experiences. Together we attend the meetings, sing Jerusalem and talk about our lives. The meetings sometimes include a talk from a speaker, such as the hidden byways of Chester, the Salt Museum or quilting, and lots more besides. There is a book and magazine exchange, raffle, and a monthly competition, a recent one being an interesting teapot! Many of the meetings seem to include food, such as the Christmas celebration and afternoon teas for the 2022 Platinum Jubilee.

As well as the monthly meetings there are additional events like the weekend walks in the local area, crafting sessions such as painting, pottery, and lunches in local pubs or cafes. Each year the National WI asks us to vote to support particular issues affecting women both here and around the World. In 2022 the WI gave a voice to support women and girls who may be neurodiverse but are not recognised and remain undiagnosed. Another significant area of discussion and action is climate change, the environment and biodiversity. There is something for every woman, no matter where your interests lie. Why not come along to a meeting and find out for yourself? If Darnhall is not a convenient place for you, each of our local centres has it's own WI group who would love to meet you.

St David's Crib Service

On Christmas Eve we heard the story of the Christmas Mouse. This was a beautiful rhyming Nativity written by Heather Pope.

Thanks to everyone who took part and reminded us of the real meaning of Christmas.



Darnhall Brownies

Darnhall Brownies enjoyed an evening of learning fun facts about the local area. They were soon well-qualified to earn their local history badges.

Well done to all of them!









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5 th Feb	Sandra & Mike Houlston	
12 th Feb	Fred West & Stephan Davies	
19 th Feb	Tracey & Peter Foster	
26 th Feb	Lesley & Peter Latronico	
5 th Mar	United at Wettenhall	
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Tea at the Tower Guided Walks

The next walks are:

5th February 2023

5th March 2023

2nd April 2023

Tea at the Tower is open every Sunday from 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm.

On the above dates there is a guided walk departing the church at 12:45 pm Nick organises circular walks varying between 3 to 5 miles. Then returning to the church for a refreshing cup of tea or coffee and a slice of delicious cake.



The pace of the walks is relaxed, and the routes generally involve canal towpath and lane walking. The footpaths should be good (also hopefully dry?) and only a small number of stiles are negotiated. Stout outdoor shoes or walking shoes / boots are recommended.

All are welcome including dogs on leads

For further information please phone Nick Harley, Lead Walker, on 01270-620612 or 07710983125.

Forest Church Walk

Forest Church Walk - Saturday 18 February 2023

Meeting at St. Mary's at 10:30 am.

Ever thought of an alternative to regular church services? If so, please read on and think about giving it a try.

Our core team is planning a walk from St. Mary's Church, Acton to Hurleston Junction, along the canal, a distance of about 4 miles (there and back). If you wish to come please wear supportive boots/shoes and carry water, a notebook and pencil.

We will be working together to compose a Psalm and everyone will have a chance to input their ideas and observations. The walk will culminate in a session in the church to finalise the Psalm led by one of the Forest Church team, Stephan Davies. We hope that the result will be published in the Parish Magazine.

If you wish to take part please contact Sue Hull on edleston@yahoo.co.uk or on 01270 628194 for further details

Sue Hull.



First Guided Walk of the Year

Walkers put their best foot forward in Acton.

The first Acton 'Tea @ the Tower' guided walk of 2023 took place from the Church, on the afternoon of Sunday 8th January. Forty walkers attended the walk, organised and led by Nick and Caroline Harley, on a 4-mile route which started at the church and took participants across fields, along the Shropshire Union Canal (Llangollen branch) towpath, and footpaths.

The walkers arrived back at the church in good time to enjoy a well-earned hot drink and delicious cake at the 'Tea @ the Tower' community café (every Sunday, 2:30-4:30pm). Donations were greatly appreciated towards church funds.





Acton Church Clock Update

The turret clock from Acton Church, originally built and installed in 1788, was removed from the tower on Monday 31st October 2022 by Stuart of The Cumbria Clock Company and taken to their workshops in Penrith. Stuart was assisted in the move by David Allman (a bell ringer at Acton) who has looked after the clock for a number of years.

Stephan Davies, who has been leading this project, has recently requested an update from the Cumbria Clock Company regarding the progress of the clock restoration. It has now been established that the overhaul of the clock movement has been completed and the new escapement wheel has been manufactured and fitted. At present, the clock movement is being tested in the workshops. It is generally working well but some adjustments to the new escapement wheel are still needed. Once these final tunings are complete, arrangements will be made to return the clock to Acton and re-install it in the tower.

When the clock is returned and replaced in its cupboard, the connections with the clock face will have to be reinstated. This will be another big task in itself!

More on this in another instalment!

The Cumbria Clock Company have kindly sent us these photos.







Chris Owen-Roberts

Christmas Tree Festival

Christmas Tree Festival at Acton

The sixth annual 'Christmas Tree Festival' took place at St Mary's from 3rd to 24th December with the church being open specially on 3rd and 4th December.

The event was free, with donations gratefully received towards church funds, and allowed visitors to view the forty beautifully dressed Christmas trees. The trees were sponsored and decorated by parishioners, local societies, and local businesses.

There was an associated Christmas Tree Quiz with the theme of "Travel around the world" and an elevated Christmas bear in his hot air balloon overseeing the trees and church. Travel was chosen as this year's theme as many people have been forced to stay at home over the last couple of years.

Attendees enjoyed a festive cake and drink from the 'Tea @ the Tower' community café (every Sunday, 2:30 - 4:30pm) and church members held a 'Fancy Goods' stall selling items made by parishioners. On Sunday 4 December, a live folk band 'Friends of Acton' provided popular and Christmas music for the attendees of Tea @ the Tower.

Outside in the churchyard there were dozens of wooden stars and numerous trees dressed in lights.

During Tea @ the Tower on Sunday 4th December around 50 people joined a Christmas walk to Dorfold Hall before viewing the trees and joining in with Tea @ the Tower.





Saint Valentine's Day

The celebrations of Saint Valentine's Day, on the 14th February, are steeped in legend and mystery; indeed the motives behind the day's creation and even Saint Valentine himself have been shrouded in controversy and doubt.

Saint Valentine's Day embraces a time of year that is historically associated with love and fertility. It encompasses the sacred marriage of Zeus and Hera in Ancient Athens and the Ancient Roman festival of Lupercus, the god of fertility.

The priests of Lupercus would perform a traditional purification ritual, slaughtering goats to the god, and after consuming wine, they would run through the streets of Rome holding aloft the skins of the goats touching anyone they met. The occasion compelled floods of young women to the streets in the belief that being touched would improve their chances of conceiving and bring forth easy childbirth. There remains some speculation over the exact date of the celebration and the first official Saint Valentine's Day was declared on 14th of February by Pope Galasius in 496, in memory of a 3rd century martyred priest in Rome.

It is believed that the young priest rose to distinction after betraying Emperor Claudius in 270 AD by conducting illegal wedding ceremonies in the capital. Emperor Claudius claimed that married men made poor soldiers and consequently decreed that all marriages of younger citizens would be outlawed. Bishop Valentine, however, maintained that marriage was part of God's plan and purpose for the world. He continued to conduct marriages in secret between young people, in the name of love.

His success gained him unwelcome notoriety, which became Bishop Valentine's downfall. He was jailed and ultimately beheaded, but not before he fell in love with the jailer's daughter. It is thought that on the evening of his execution the bishop passed her a note which read "From Your Valentine".

This story has blossomed into the defining tradition of Valentine's Day. An estimated one billion cards are sent each year, making it the second largest card-sending holiday of the year behind Christmas.



Messy Church

We were on Lake Galilee this morning enacting the story of Jesus calling the fishermen brothers Peter and Andrew, James and John to put down their nets and follow him – which they did leaving puzzled dad Zebedee! They were to "fish for people" and we too thought about what we could do to grow God's kingdom in our neighbourhood. For our prayers we

had fun producing a huge "net-work of love", then decorated fish biscuits and made beaded fish key-rings while Peter's group talked about the many people in the Bible who had responded to God's call. We wished each other well for the week ahead with a loud rendition of "Now go in peace". Then set to on the fish finger sandwiches, Yum!

Join us next time for the Baptism of Jesus, February 19th at 10am.

Messy Church team x



Also see front cover

Wedding of Jessica and Stuart

When Jessica and Stuart got engaged one of the first questions they asked was, could they get married at St Mary's Acton? So Wednesday 28 December was the culmination of 18 months of prayer and planning and it was everything we hoped it would be. The church, still decorated from the Christmas tree festival and enhanced by the candles round the pillars, looked beautiful. The welcome received by our guests from our church family was so warm and loving, it was remarked upon by many who had never been to a church wedding before. The men in their morning suits looked handsome and the bride and her attendants looked gorgeous. I'd like to say that Jess, having trained for many years as a performer, glided down the aisle, but the reality is she trembled so hard the pews shook!

The marriage service performed by Revd Anne was perfect, readings and prayers chosen and read by friends and family suited the couple wonderfully. Music, provided by university friends of Jess, was astounding and I, along with most of the rest of the congregation, were able to join in the carols with gusto knowing we wouldn't actually be heard over the professionals; I believe the roof is still intact!

The refreshments after the service were delicious and gave us a chance to chat to our guests out of the rain and wind.

If I was to try to list the individuals to thank, I'd be sure to miss someone, so I just want to express my appreciation to everyone involved in the day, and to those who have welcomed us all into the family of St Mary's.

Carol Thayer





Acton Pilgrimage

A Pilgrimage in Acton during Lent!

We are extremely grateful to our friends at St Margaret's Church, Wrenbury who have loaned us their series of thought provoking displays as an "Interactive Discipleship Pilgrimage" which we will be setting out in our Church throughout Lent, from Wednesday 22nd of February.

Please take a few minutes to share this unique experience when visiting Tea at the Tower, Sunday afternoons, 2.30 pm until 4.30 pm or any Wednesday 10.00 am until 4.00 pm. You will be very welcome.

Church Altar

Have you noticed our beautiful Altar? During the Christmas Tree Festival and the season of Advent we took the decision to remove our Altar cloth and expose the stunning carved oak altar which has been admired by all our visitors.

The altar cloth not only protects the altar and the sacred vessels used there but also reverently reflects the seasons and is changed according to the Church year. The frontal or Antependium is the same size as the front of the Altar and richly decorated. We have some beautiful frontals, a white one for Christmas and Easter, a red one for Pentecost and purple for Lent. The green one fills in at other times and we would like to replace this with a more modern cloth which falls over the Altar but allows the carved woodwork to be on display.

It is some time since we replaced an Altar frontal but feel we would like to reveal our wooden altar whilst reflecting the seasons traditionally. The cost of these works of art start at £400.00, therefore we are inviting anyone who would like to contribute to the cost, in memory of a loved one or a connection with the Church, to please contact our Churchwarden Joyce Percival 07703292900, to learn more about our plans. Many thanks.

A display of our present Altar Frontals will be in the Church throughout Lent along with the Interactive Discipleship Pilgrimage. (see details on previous page)



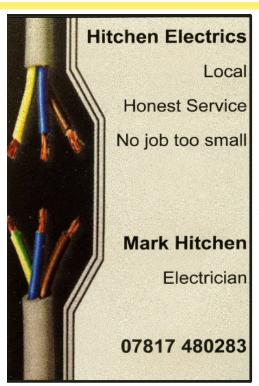


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Cross Country Pages

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

this month to

Herbie Major Missy Shaw
James Hassall Mollie Yarwood
Louie Elliott Niamh Ward
Madison Warrington Poppy Rowland

Special Wishes

Belated congratulations to **Sheila Williams** who celebrated her 90th birthday between Christmas and New Year.

Congratulations

Congratulations to

Andrew Emerton and Cat Bull

who have recently become engaged. Wishing you a happy future together from all your friends across the Cross Country Parishes.

Our Youngest Reader?

Amelie really enjoyed the Christingle service! I am just out walking her trying to get her asleep and picked up a parish magazine on my way through the churchyard. I thought you would find the following photo funny as Amelie would clearly rather be reading that than sleeping!!

Laura



Ladies Lunch

Wednesday 8th February
The Badger, Church Minshull
12:30 pm - Cost: £12.50
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Would you like the chance to appear on National television? If so, why not attend the BBC Songs of Praise, which will be recording music and singing in Chester Cathedral on Saturday 4th February 2023 between 1.30pm and 4.30pm. It will feature traditional hymns and everyone is invited to go along and sing their hearts out.

Admission is free, but places must be reserved in advance. To reserve a place you can email sopcongregations@afantimeedia.tv or phone 07734030888.

Modern Martyrs

Westminster Abbey Modern Martyrs Statues Grand Duchess Elizabeth

Above the Great West Door of Westminster Abbey are ten niches filled with French limestone statues of 20th Century Christian martyrs. The niches had always been empty, and when the Abbey underwent restoration after The Second World War it was decided that they would contain modern statues to recognise that there are still religious martyrs losing their lives in every century.

The ten statues represent every continent and many Christian denominations, men and women, victims living under all types of political systems. The sculptor Tim Crawley designed the figures from photographs and led a team of three other sculptors in completing the statues. On 9th July 1998 the Archbishop of Canterbury unveiled the statues. Relatives and religious colleagues of the martyrs were invited to the ceremony, including The Duke of Edinburgh and The Queen. For the Duke it was particularly poignant in that the Grand Duchesse Elizabeth was his great aunt and was one of the martyrs depicted.

The Grand Duchesse Elizabeth was born on 1st November 1864 in Hesse-Darmstadt and named after a thirteenth century Catholic Saint, Elizabeth of Hungary, from whom she was descended. When still a child her mother died, and she came to Britain to live under the protection of Queen Victoria. She was originally a Lutheran, then Anglican, but became a member of the Orthodox church when she married Grand Duke Sergei Alexandrovich, the fifth son of Tsar Alexander of Russia. She lived in great luxury and privilege, but this was not to last, and Russian political unrest led to the murder of her husband in February 1905. Elizabeth sold her jewellery and gave away her belongings to fund the opening of a religious Order of

Martha and Mary, the Sisters of Love and Mercy. They opened a hospital for the poor and cared for the poor and old of Moscow.

In 1917 the Bolshevic revolution resulted in the end of the Tsarist state and civil war. The atheist Bolshevics set out to destroy the Orthodox church and imprisoned and murdered thousands of nuns and priests and destroyed its churches. On 7th May 1918 Elizabeth was arrested with two other Sisters of Love and Mercy. They were taken across country to a prison at Alapaevsk. On 17th July that year the Tsar and his family were shot dead, and the following night Elizabeth was murdered too.

She was not forgotten by the Russian Orthodox Church Abroad and was recognised as a saint in 1984, an honour recognised in Moscow itself in 1992.



Heather Pope



Vision Cufe

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How can church buildings be used to benefit communities?
If the church was to do one thing differently, what would it be?
Where's God in this, anyway?





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Calveley School

2023 started with a bang at Calveley Primary Academy... with a trip to the panto! All four classes (even the nursery children), all school staff and some parent helpers travelled to Crewe Lyceum to see Aladdin. The show was fabulous and included lots of participation, singing and dancing and a Calveley pupil was even able to join in on stage. There were a few sleepy little ones on the way home!

Closer to home the children have enjoyed meeting some sheep who have moved into the fields next door. In the classroom the children have begun to tackle new topics and literature for the new term. Ranging across all age groups from superheroes to the Great Fire of London, geometry and magnets. Sycamore class have even learned to name their pets in French as they discover the French vocabulary for different animals.

Years 1 and 2 are looking forward to performing in a Young Voices concert at Manchester Arena at the end of January, preparations are well underway - we look forward to sharing more in the next magazine.







More photos on page 22



Worleston School

Happy New Year from St Oswald's Worleston School. We have had a brilliant start to the year which has included welcoming in our fantastic, new headteacher Mrs McDonough. In the first week back, we took a trip to see Aladdin at the theatre which was a great hit with both children and staff alike. We are now deep into our new whole school topic which is called



'our planet.' In EYFS, they are heading to the polar regions, Y1/2 are exploring mini-beasts, Y3/4 are becoming junior zookeepers and Y5/6 are jetting off into space.

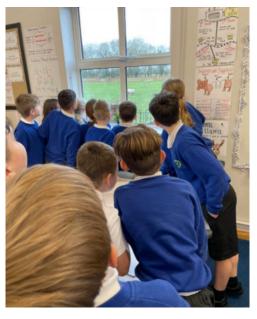
We are so excited for all the adventures that this term will bring.





Calveley School photos continued







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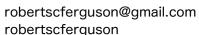
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Pancakes

In many churches a bell used to be rung on Shrove Tuesday, to call the faithful to confession, it was the Pancake bell - letting housewives know it was time to prepare the batter. The bell usually rang at 11.00 o'clock so that the batter would be ready for lunchtime. This bell also released people from work and children from school to enjoy an afternoon of festivities before Lent.

Ingredients

- 4oz or 100 grams plain flour
- A pinch of salt
- 1 egg and 1/2 a pint of semi skinned milk.

A Children's Rhyme for Shrove Tuesday

A kiss for a woman A cake for a man Run to the church With a frying pan

Method

- Sift the flour and salt together then add the milk and egg until you have a smooth batter (I put all the ingredients into the food processor or blender)
- 2. Leave to stand for 20 minutes.
- 3. Put a small knob of butter in a heavy frying pan until hot.
- 4. Pour in just enough batter to thinly cover the base of the pan tipping the pan to get a thin even covering.
- 5. Fry until golden then toss or flip the pan to cook the second side.
- 6. Slide onto a plate and serve with lemon juice and caster sugar.
- 7. Or stack on a warm plate until all the batter is used.

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^{*} Lent begins 22nd February. No flowers until Easter Day 9th April

Welcome

We would all like to welcome the new Principal at St Oswald's School, Mrs Louise McDonough, who took up her duties in January. We are sure that she will enjoy life in the school, and we offer her the full support of St Oswald's church and community.

Thank You

After our Remembrance Day service at St Oswald's we were able to send a cheque to the British Legion for £145. Many thanks to all those who contributed to this gift.



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