

St.Mary, Alderley



Parish Magazine

May 2022

The Revd Jon Hale writes:

At the time of writing the responsibility of being the Rector of Alderley and Birtles still rests with me, but soon I will retire and will move away from Nether Alderley.

It has been a great privilege to serve in this place. Having grown up in the south of England, I count it my good fortune to have served as the incumbent of a rural benefice in the foothills of the Pennines. I spent six years in the 1980s working in County Durham as a member of the team in County Hall which received planning applications for mines and quarries throughout the county. I was fortunate that my patch was the west Durham coal-field where coal seams outcrop in the lower slopes of the North Pennines. My sermon writing skills, such as they are, were honed writing the first draft of reports for the Development Control Sub-Committee of Durham County Council as to whether it should approve or refuse planning permission for each new opencast mine. In the early 1980s we lived in Newcastle upon Tyne and I always thought how fine it would be to live on the edge of the Pennines. In County Hall I learned the necessity of team work, and I learned from my Team Leader the skills of leadership.

And again, as a southerner, it has been a delight to have as my parishes a tract of land which (with a little reading of local history) speaks so clearly of its past. Landscape history is more difficult in the Home Counties because there has been so much more development. In Alderley and Birtles most of the parish boundaries are little changed since their origin in the 12th Century. The powerful presence of St.Mary's Church, the dominance of the Stanleys of Alderley, and the enclosing nature of the Rector's Plantation (probably dating from 1787) give the landscape around St.Mary's Church a timeless feel, and it has been a pleasure to live within it, and among those who live within it.

Retirement now beckons. I look forward to catching up with my former colleagues who left County Hall at the same time that I did and who made careers in land development and in road haulage, and who all retired some time ago. And I look forward to having more time to pursue landscape history and mining history, and being a grandfather.

NETHER ALDERLEY 200 CLUB

Latest draw winners

1 st prize	Juliana Maynard
2 nd prize	Joyce Davies
3 rd prize	Sarah Jane Wilkinson

FLOWERS

Sadly missing Janet Adamson, also Liz Beech and Rita Brown who both have moved south to be nearer family. Also Jean Lee (flower organiser for 16+ years) who has retired. Also June Currie and Steph Wilkinson who helped with Festivals (both coping with ill health)

1st and 8th May. Joyce Davis

15th and 22nd May. Hellie Jabr

From the Registers of St.Mary's Church

Baptisms

13th March Molly Betty HARRIS

20th March Richard James SIMONS

Weddings

None

Funerals

11th March Anthony Norman DUERR. Funeral at Macclesfield Crematorium followed by a Memorial Service at St.Mary's Church.

17th March John David ANDREW. Burial of cremated remains in St.Mary's Churchyard.

21st March June Denise Mary ROXBURGH. Funeral at St.Mary's Church followed by burial in Nether Alderley Burial Ground.

23rd March Edna SHEPHERD. Funeral at St.Mary's Church followed by burial in Nether Alderley Burial Ground.

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<i>Janet Adamson</i>	<i>Muriel Kirby</i>
<i>Peter Adamson</i>	<i>John M Lee</i>
<i>Valerie Barlow</i>	<i>Wyn Liddle</i>
<i>Archie Barrie</i>	<i>Lara Marsh</i>
<i>Evelyn Barrie</i>	<i>Doris Monkman</i>
<i>Malcolm Barrie</i>	<i>Wilfred Monkman</i>
<i>Andrew Beech</i>	<i>Gary Moss</i>
<i>Leslie Beech</i>	<i>Julie Moss</i>
<i>Winnie Beech</i>	<i>Ken Moss</i>
<i>Dennis Bliss</i>	<i>Henry Peter Nairn</i>
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<i>Norah Boddington</i>	<i>Eleanor Penlington</i>
<i>Gwendolen R Boothman</i>	<i>Stanley Penlington</i>
<i>Harold R Boothman</i>	<i>John Pyatt</i>
<i>Allan Brown</i>	<i>Christopher John Rennie</i>
<i>Dennis Buckley</i>	<i>Rosina Rennie</i>
<i>Liz Cook</i>	<i>Ernest Rennie</i>
<i>John Davis</i>	<i>Dudley Reynolds</i>
<i>June Gass</i>	<i>Molly Reynolds</i>
<i>Peter Gass</i>	<i>Edna Shepherd</i>
<i>Terence Graham</i>	<i>Jill Shiers</i>
<i>Patricia Hamilton</i>	<i>Robert Shiers</i>
<i>Raymond Hamilton</i>	<i>Horace Musgrave Swales</i>
<i>Elsie Hartley</i>	<i>John Musgrave Swales</i>
<i>Norman Hartley</i>	<i>Pathanea Swales</i>
<i>John Hartley</i>	<i>David Watkins</i>
<i>Muriel Hayden</i>	<i>Kathleen Watkins</i>
<i>Reginald Hayden</i>	<i>William Watkins</i>
<i>Bobby Hepworth</i>	<i>Alice Wilkinson</i>
<i>Didi Hepworth</i>	<i>Ken Wilkinson</i>
<i>Betty Howell</i>	<i>Malcolm Wilson</i>
<i>Norman Howell</i>	<i>George Yarwood</i>
<i>Louis Kaufman</i>	

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SUNDAY SERVICES

1st Sunday: Holy Communion (traditional)

2nd Sunday: Family Service

3rd Sunday: Holy Communion (contemporary)

4th Sunday : Family Service

5th Sunday: Holy Communion (contemporary)

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Organist:

St. Mary's is currently without a regular organist. The Church is grateful to the many organists who have been playing service by service since August 2017

The Church Choir:

The Church Choir are not currently singing

Church Flower Rota

Mrs Avril Lamond (01625) 583985

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Mr Michael Penlington (Festivals)

(01625) 530084

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Captain of the Tower: (*Practice 7.30pm Tuesdays*)

Mr Peter Robinson

(01625) 860679

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Prayer Book Society Representative

Mrs Anne Dodd

Parish Hall Bookings

Keith Farrell, 07939 671344

Parish Hall Costs:

£15 per hour - minimum 2 hours

Burial Board: (*Clerk*)

Barbara Thorpe

07717 244 537

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