

ST CHAD'S CHURCH, BAGNALL —NEWSLETTER 19.11.23

Remembrance Sunday at St Chad's

Once again I'm writing about a lovely service in church on Sunday. The church was packed with all ages from babies to pensioners. There were medals on display and everyone was wearing their poppies.

Wreaths were laid by:

Roger Jackson for Staffs County Council



Andrew Batson for Bagnall Parish Council



Peter Rosie for St Chad's Church



Sgt Ashley McGraw in memory of WO2 Fisher and Private Balingham who fell in Afghanistan



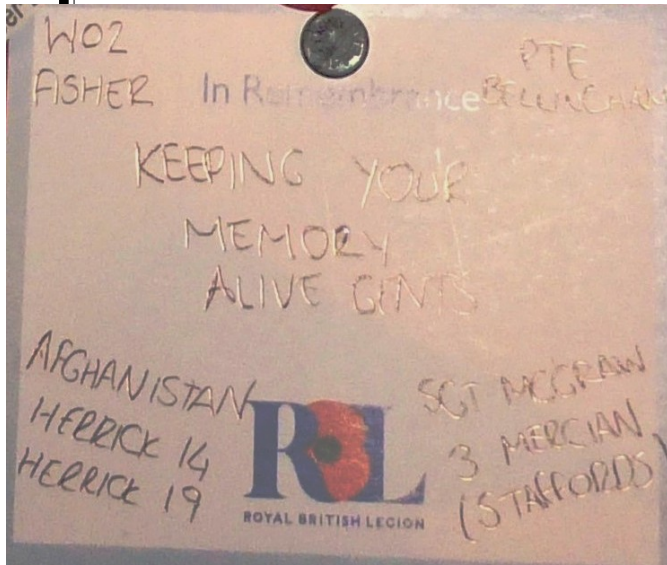
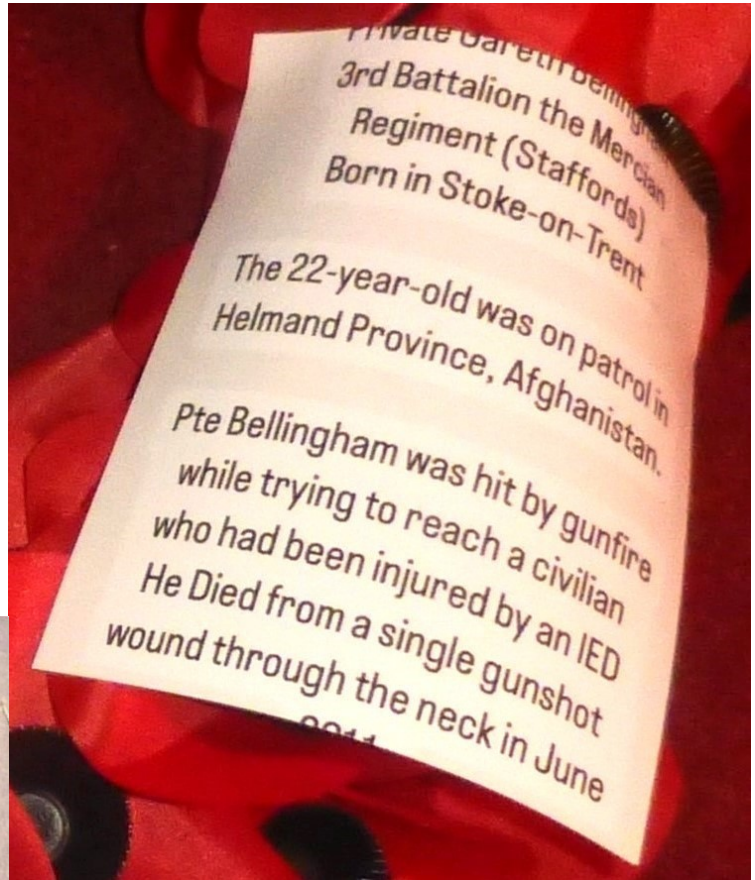
Pat read out the names of fallen soldiers from Bagnall and surrounding district and members of the congregation placed poppy crosses by the altar for them and for any others who they wished to remember. A cross with purple poppy was also laid for all the animals who lost their lives in service to the country.



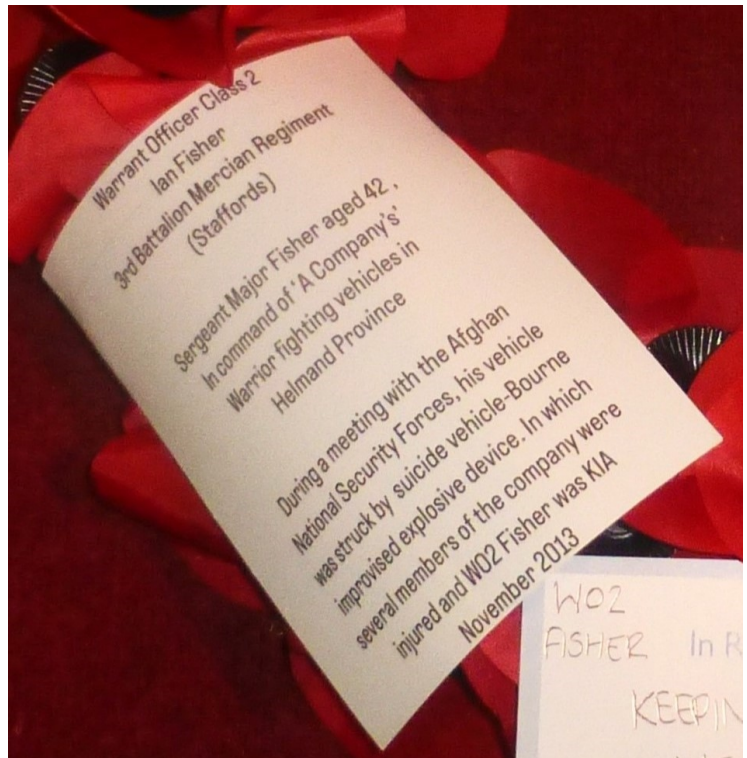


Sgt Ashley McGraw of 3 Mercian (Staffords) with his son and fellow soldier Dale Walters.

His wreath was in memory of two fallen comrades:
Private Gareth Balingham



Warrant Officer Class 2 Ian Fisher



When I went up to the altar two members of our congregation were in tears whilst reading this, and to be honest, I felt quite emotional and I thought that it was quite fitting to remember these brave men.

I would also like you all to think of Albert Rosie, a regular at our Remembrance services, proudly wearing his medals, who died earlier this year. He also will be remembered.





BAGNALL COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS FAYRE

SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER, 2023
FROM 12PM
THE VILLAGE HALL, BAGNALL

COME ALONG AND JOIN US FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFT
SHOPPING

DAISY MOON CREATIONS - WISTERIA BARN INTERIORS -
NEALS YARD - BUTTERFLY DREAMS - PLANTS - GREETINGS
CARDS - SWEETS - GONKS - KNITTED ITEMS - CAKES -
TOMBOLA

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE

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Community Christmas Fayre

Saturday 2nd December at 12noon.

We need your help (as usual!)

There will be a **hamper**—the list will be in the tower along with the box to put your donations in. Brian and Val are collecting bottles (We won a bottle of gin last year) All shapes, sizes and contents for the **bottle tombola**.

There will be a **cake and preserve** stall, so get baking and jamming.

Refreshments will be available so we need small cakes or large cakes to cut.

Grace is collecting filled **jam jars** so put your thinking caps on. Jars are available at church.

This is our big fund raising event so please help as much as you can.

Prayer Corner:

Generous God,
You have entrusted the world to us and made us stewards over your creation and all who live in it.
We thank you for the gift of children and young people. Help us to see all children and young people as precious and loved by you.
May we be faithful stewards of the resources you have given us so that we can use them to your glory and to building a better world.
Inspire in us your vision of a world where every child is cherished, protected, and given the opportunity to reach their full potential.
We pray this in Jesus' name.
Amen.
Prayer for the 2nd Sunday before Advent from the Children's Society.

Muriel

November Services:

26th Morning Prayer KH/MF/Terry Bagguley

December Services:

3rd- Family Christingle service—Kath and team

10th—Carol service at 4pm

17th—Holy communion—Rev Barry

24th—Outdoor carol service

24th—Midnight Communion—Rev Barry

Leek Food Bank:

We thank you for your ongoing support and donations. We rely entirely on this support and appreciate any help that you can give. Occasionally you will see from our shopping list that at times we have sufficient of certain items. This varies according to season and demand. Please continue to support us and check on our website. THANK YOU.

Smiles: Thank you, Judith.....

A German Shepherd, a Doberman and a cat died.

In Heaven, all three faced God, who wanted to know what they all believed in.

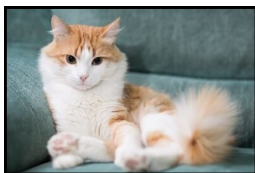
The German Shepherd said, "I believe in discipline, training and loyalty to my master." "Good," said God "Sit at my right hand."



"Doberman, what do you believe in?" asked God. The Doberman answered, "I believe in the love, care and protection of my master." "Aha," said God, "You may sit on my left."



Then God looked at the cat and asked "And what do you believe in?" The cat replied, "I believe you are sitting in my seat."



Last but not least.....

Wednesday was Emmeline and Annabelle's 8th birthday. Where has the time gone? We were there as they came home from school and they were so excited! They had loads of presents and cards (totally indulged in!!!!) and they really didn't know where to start.

We had a party tea with some yummy M & S picky bits (the girls love things like samosa, bhajis etc) and finished off with a caterpillar cake. Perfect!