

# ST PETER'S CHURCH PEDMORE



A HISTORY  
AND TOUR OF  
THE CHURCH

# THE OLD CHURCH



DATED BACK TO  
c1250

# THE PRESENT CHURCH



Grade II listed

Consecrated  
February 1871

Architect : Frederick Preedy

# THE BUILDING



Built with local  
stone from the  
quarry off Ounty  
John Lane

# THE SOUTH DOORWAY



# THE TYMPANUM

Set into the arch from the old church over the inner south doorway



The oldest part of the church c1150 – attributed to the Hereford School

# THE TYMPANUM



Depicting Christ in  
Glory, his feet on  
the head of a  
serpent and  
surrounded by  
Matthew, Mark,  
Luke and John.

# ST PETER'S TURRET CLOCK



RECENTLY  
RESTORED  
ACQUIRED 1897  
FOR QUEEN  
VICTORIA'S  
JUBLILEE

# THE TOWER



LOWER PART  
DATES BACK  
TO 1250  
UPPER PART  
15<sup>th</sup> CENTURY  
STYLE

# THE TOWER (inside)



Sculptures on wall  
of lower tower  
from the 1250  
church

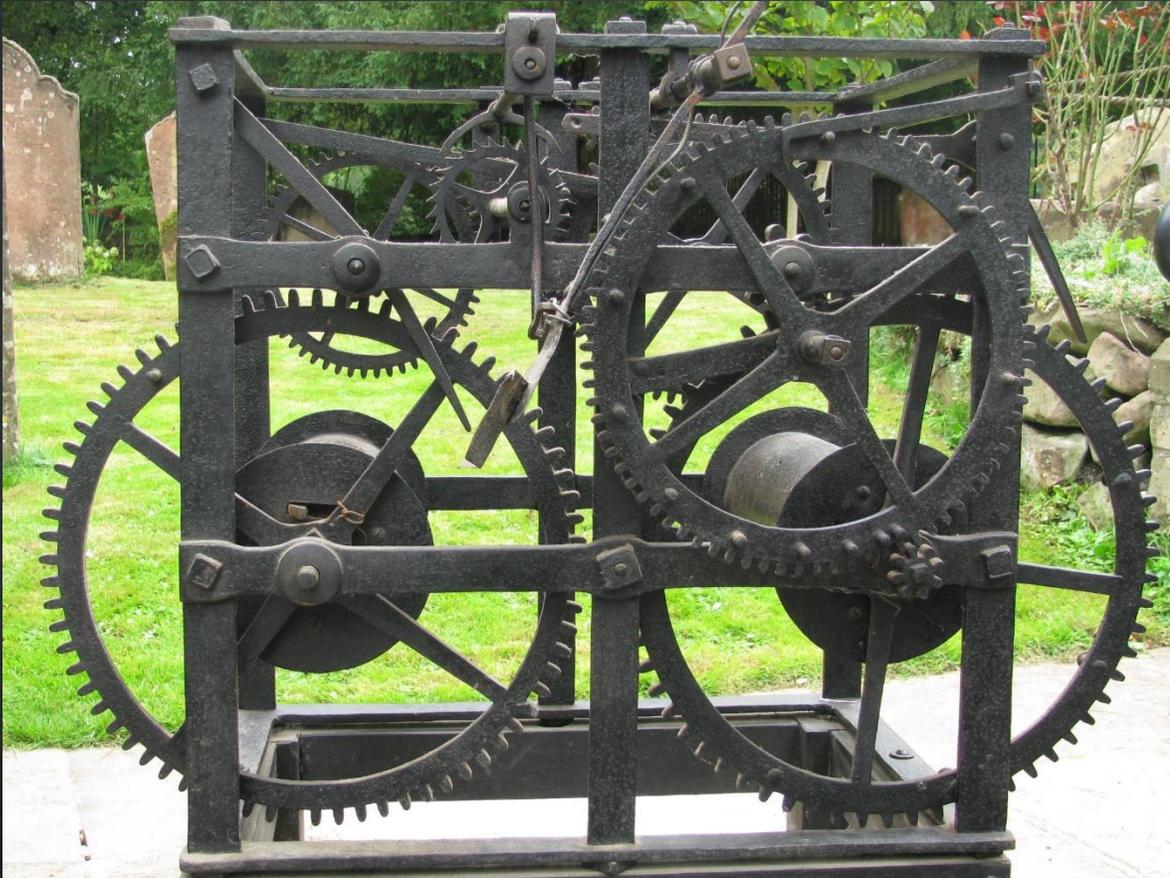
# THE FONT



The font is usually near the door as baptism is the sign of entering into membership of Christ's church.

Possibly XV century

# THE OLD CLOCK



“The clock with no face”  
Predates 1694  
Struck the hours  
Had to be wound  
every day

# PHOTOGRAPHIC HISTORY



A selection of  
photographs through  
time with sketches of  
the old church

# ROOF



THE ROOF IS OPEN  
TIMBERED AND  
BOARDED

# FOUR PILLARS



FOUR PILLARS IN  
THE CHURCH  
THREE HEXAGONAL  
ONE ROUND?

# RECTOR'S BOARD

PATRONS	RECTORS	DATE
WILLUS SCHYMPLINGFORD	JOHN BATEYEGED	1304
RICHARD CLODSHALE	HUGH CORDEWANES	1340
	ROGER de WENBURN	1361
WALTER ARDEN	JOHN CHAMBERLEYN	1433
	HENRY LOWDE	1471
JOHN ARDEN	NICHOLAUS CEEKE	1447
	ROGER FLEMING	1463
THOMAS ARDEN	ROGER PULTER	1493
ROLAND FOWLER	THOMAS TYRAZ	1530
RICHARD ALCHURCH	RICHARD HARVE	1555
	JOHN RUSHTON	1580
WALTER FERRERS	ROBERT RUSHTON	1594
MARIA BROUGHTON	THOMAS MALPAS	1621
THOMAS FOLEY de WITLEY	GEORGE TONGE	1646
	GEORGE COUTHWELL	1666
THOMAS FOLEY (Baron of Kidderminster)	GEORGE NELSON	1686
THOMAS LORD FOLEY	GEORGE NELSON	1699
FOOFFEES of Oldswinford Hospital	THOMAS PHILPOTT	1721
	OTHER PHILPOTT	1734
	THOMAS PHILPOTT	1771
	JOHN HENRY WHITELEY	1833
	WALTER ANTHONY JONES	1879
	ALFRED EDWARD BUCHANAN	1913
	STEPHEN RICHARD WAREING	1939
	ROLAND STOCKLEY	1968
	ANDREW HAZLEWOOD	1989
	SARAH NORTHALL	2016
	DAVID NICHOL	2019

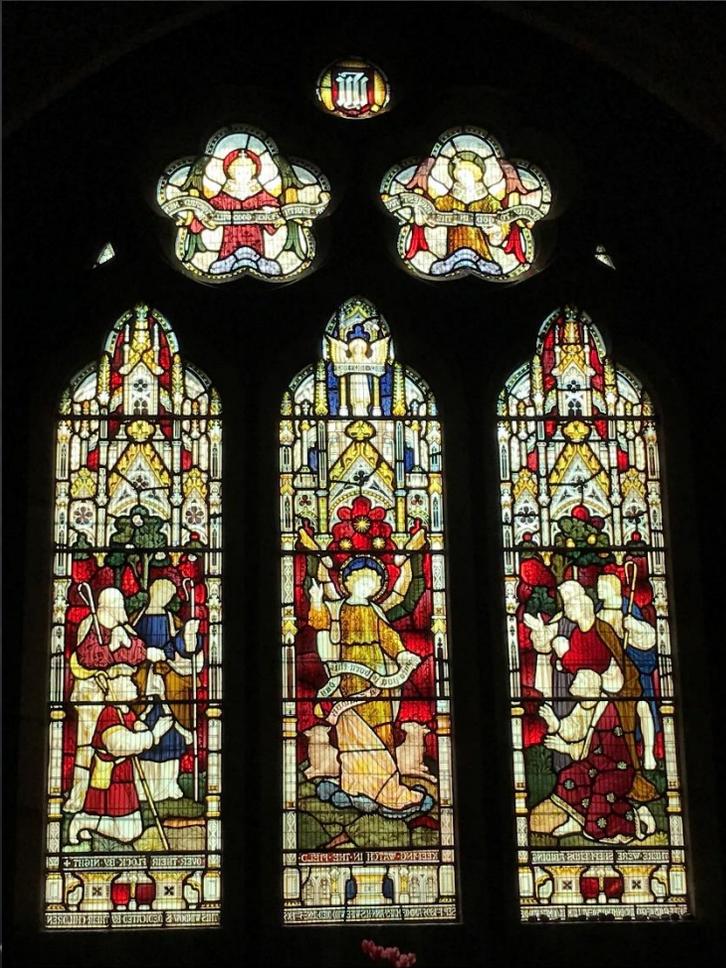
FIRST ENTRY

Willus Schymplingford 1304

LAST ENTRY

David Nichol 2019

# WINDOW 1 SOUTH SIDE



In memory of William and  
Mary Ann Bloomer died 1895  
and 1905

“Shepherds keeping watch  
over their sheep at night”

# WINDOW 2 SOUTH SIDE



In memory of  
Charles Evers Swindell  
died 1891  
depicting miracles of Jesus

# WINDOW 3 SOUTH SIDE



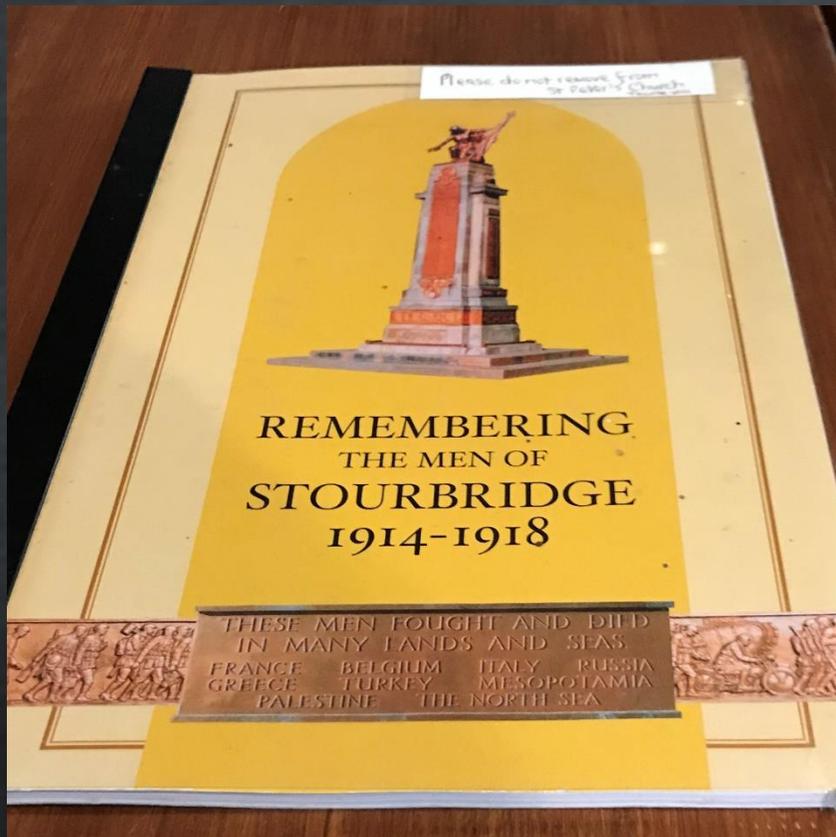
In memory of  
Charles Evers Swindell  
died 1891  
“The Good Samaritan”

# PEW CUSHIONS



LOVINGLY  
STITCHED IN  
MEMORY OF A  
LOVED ONE BY  
LADIES OF THE  
CHURCH

# REMEMBRANCE BOOK



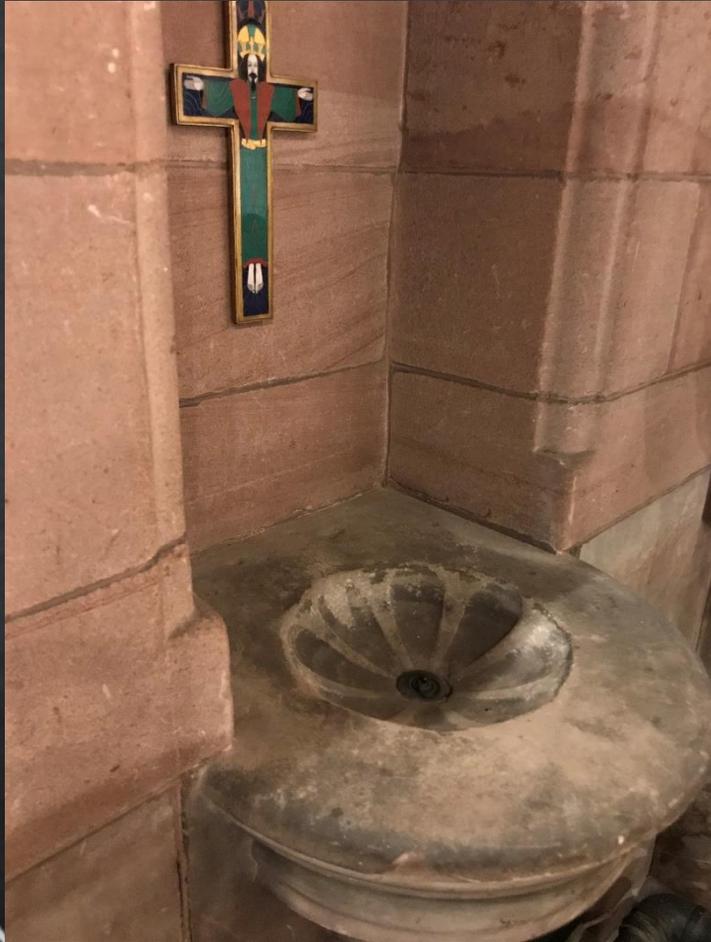
REMEMBERING  
THE MEN OF  
STOURBRIDGE  
KILLED IN WW1

# WOODCARVING



A woodcarved  
relief sculpture of  
the Church

# PISCINA XIV CENTURY



South wall  
South side

# THE HOLY TABLE in the LADY CHAPEL



Brass Candlesticks and  
Cross in memory of  
Emmie Harrison parish  
worker 1971-1978  
Beautiful crewel work  
altar frontal

# THE LECTERN



BRASS  
MODERN TO THE  
NEW CHURCH

# SOUTH WINDOW – CHANCEL



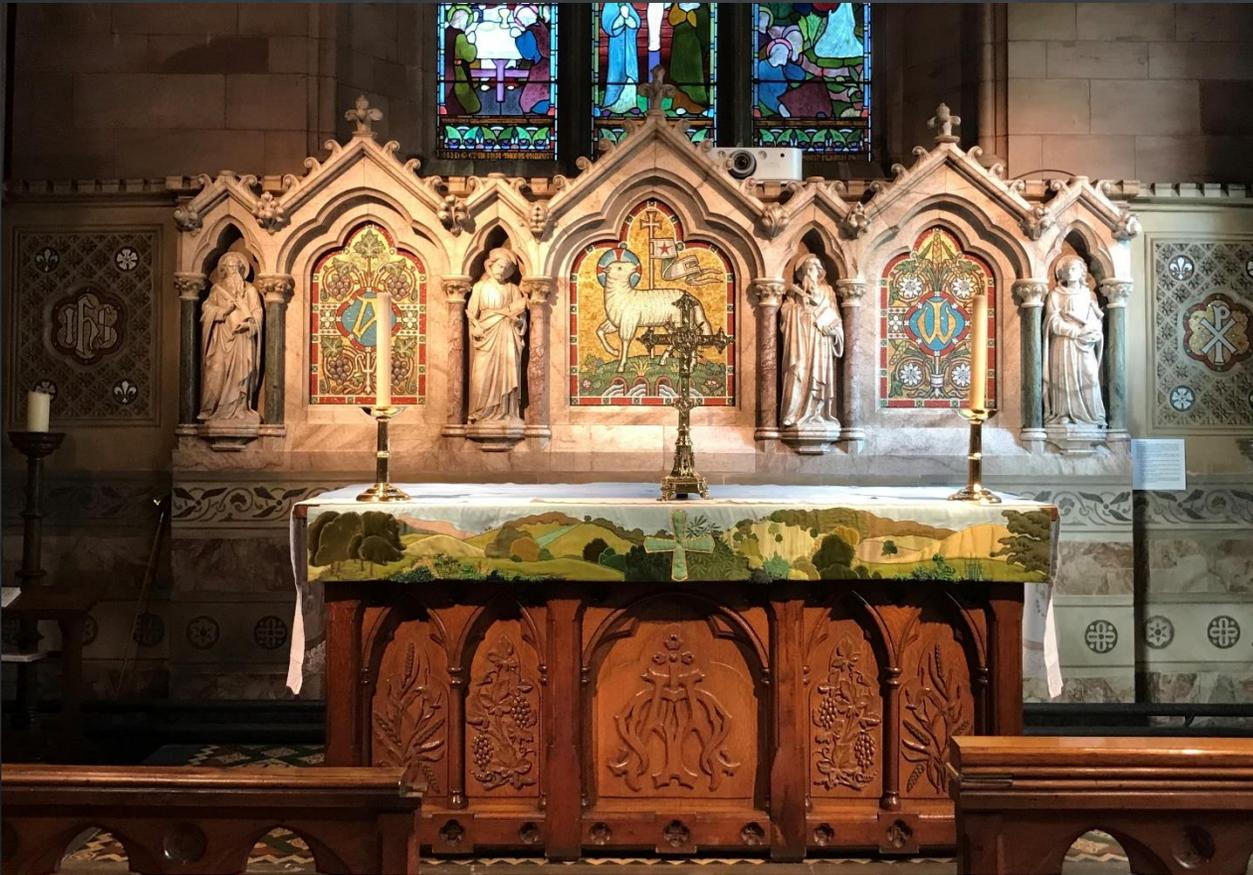
IN MEMORY OF  
Thomas Firmstone  
died 1857  
'Triumphal entry into  
Jerusalem'

# THE EAST WINDOW



IN MEMORY OF  
Thomas Philpott  
a former rector  
at St Peter's

# THE ORNATE REREDOS



Mosaics originating from the architect's workshop. Frederick Preedy also designed other churches in the Worcestershire and Midlands area.

# THE HOLY TABLE



Modern oak  
Carved  
1872

# THE HOLY TABLE



Brass Cross  
Featuring the four  
evangelists

# HOLY COMMUNION



Chalice is  
hallmarked London  
1631  
and the ciborium  
is quite unusual

# THE ARDEN COAT OF ARMS



The only piece of medieval glass in the church. Succeeding generations of the Arden family were patrons of St Peter's from 1455- 1530

# THE ORGAN



BINNS OF  
LEEDS  
Dated 1909

# NORMAN ARCH



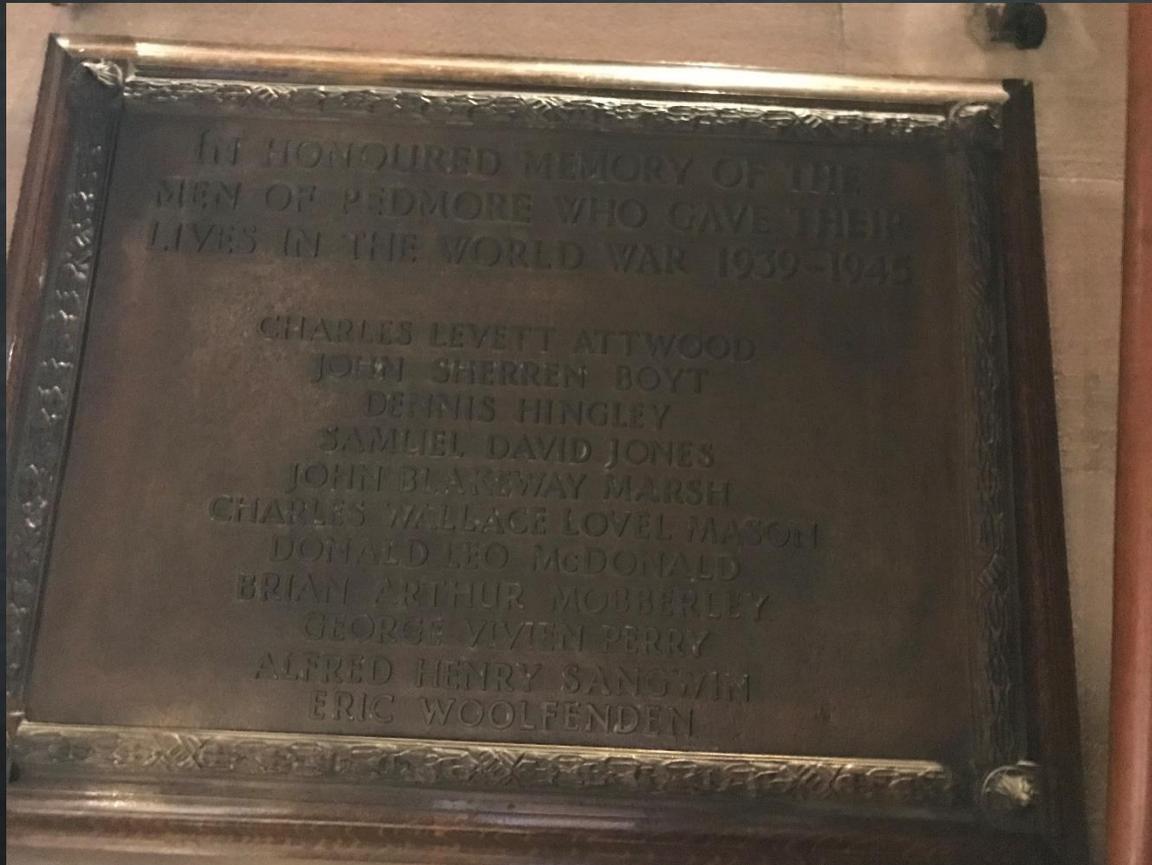
Reformed from  
1250 church  
where it would  
have been at  
the east end

# THE PULPIT



This is of Caen stone and marble - the sculptures are of Jesus (centre), St Peter and St Paul.

# MEMORIAL TABLET WW2



A memorial to those killed in action in WW2.

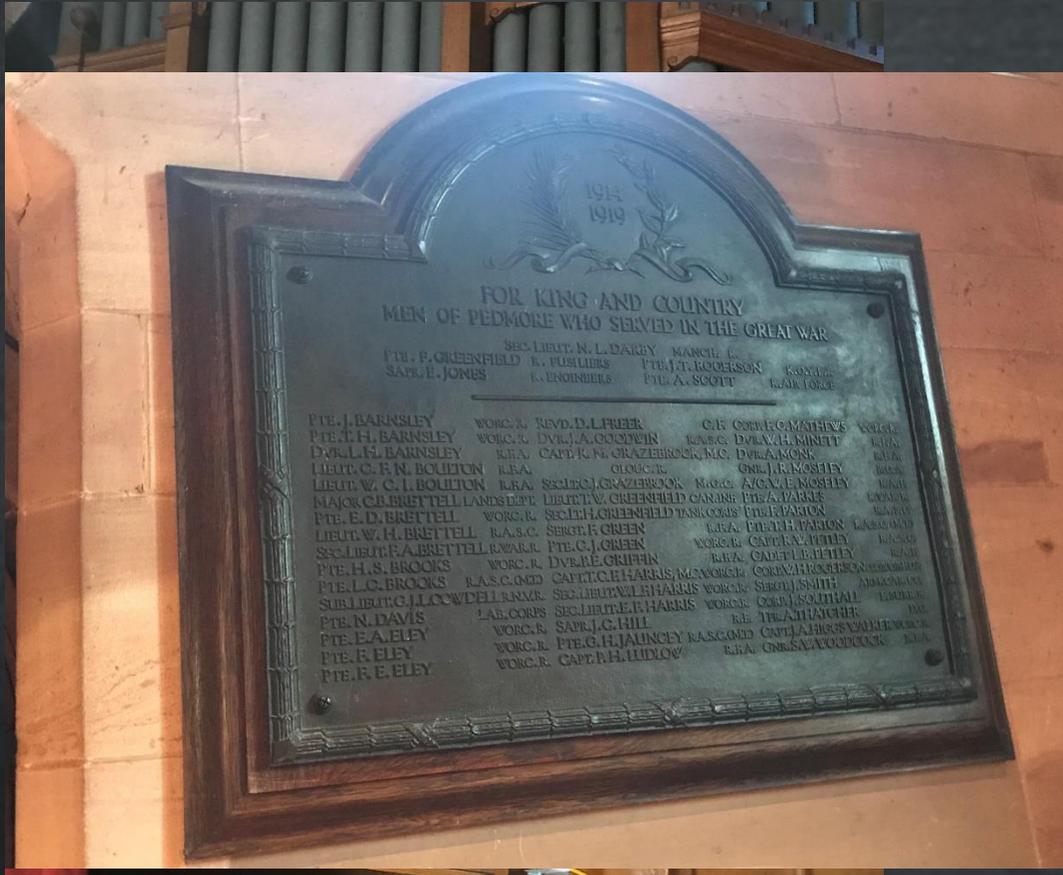
Note the name Sangwin – his name is on the lamppost light outside the south door

# BARNEY'S CORNER



Our children's  
play area  
named after the  
big bear

# MEMORIAL BOARD WW1



Dedicated to  
the men of  
Pedmore who  
fought in the  
Great War

# BELLS

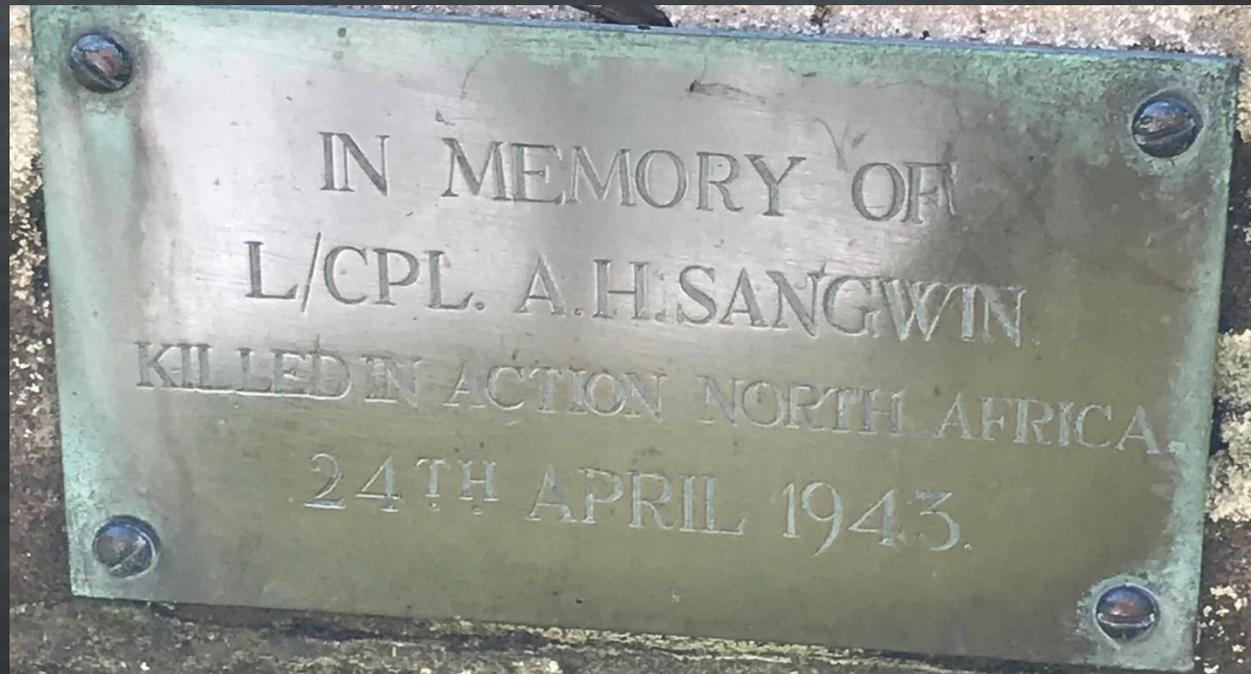
There are three bells

The newly restored clock which chimes every quarter of the hour uses hammers inside the bells to strike.

The large bell is inscribed

'I to Church the living call and to the grave do  
summon all'

# LAMP BY SOUTH DOOR



# WAR MEMORIAL



A memorial to the  
men of Pedmore  
killed in Action in  
both World Wars

# THE CHURCHYARD



Here you will find  
fine examples of  
local past foundry  
work decorating  
the graves

# THE LYCHGATE



A roofed gateway to a  
Churchyard  
St Peter's decorated  
for VE Day

# COMMUNITY HELP

When lockdown came our role pastorally continued in a different way

There were no social events, seniors, singles, walks, children's events, services at Retirement Homes.

Our services were put on the website or cd's taken out. Shopping and prescriptions were collected. Telephone support became so important. Members of our community offered help and we are so grateful for this and hope that they will continue with their support for the vulnerable of our community.



# The Church and Churchyard

St Peter's is a beautiful church and the running and upkeep of a Grade II listed building is costly.

It also takes quite a lot of effort to keep it looking as it does to be enjoyed by all and also future generations.

If you feel you would like to help inside church or in the churchyard please phone the office

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