

BATS IN CHURCHES



St Mary BROMFIELD Shropshire

The Issue

Three different species of bat use the church—Pipistrelles, Brown Long-eared Bats and Natterer's Bats—and there are several maternity roosts. The smell and mess limit church activities and stain furnishings.

What We Did

Following bat surveys in 2021, the PCC decided to install shelves over Lord's Prayer boards on the west wall of the nave and over the altar in the north aisle to protect these items.

A successful bat walk was held in 2021. The church and its bats featured on BBC2 Antiques Celebrity Road Trip in November 2021.

In May 2023 children from a local school visited to learn about bats in churches.



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