

# Rev. T. A. Morley

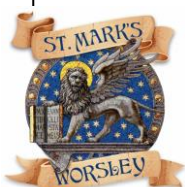


Baptised: 18 October 1826

Died: 17 May 1906

Curate of St. Mark's 1854 - 1863

Vicar of St. Clement's, West Thurrock 1876 - 1895



**Rev. Thomas Aldersey MORLEY** - (1854 - 1863)

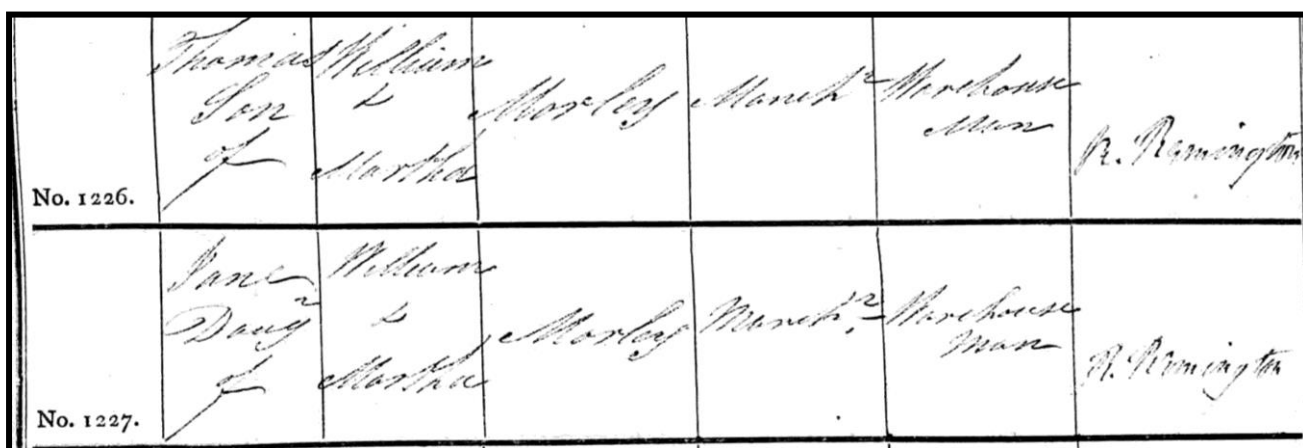
**Summary**

Trinity College, Dublin      B.A. 1851; M.A. 1860  
 deacon.1851; priest.1852; by Bp. of Man.

- 1851-54      C. St. Paul, Bury.
- 1854- 63      C. Ellenbrook
- 1863-76      V. St. George, Pendleton (opened 18558, closed 1993)
- 1876-95      V. West Thurrock, St.Clement's. Dio. St.Albans. West Thurrock Vicarage, Romford.

1898 Cleveland House, Uxbridge.

**1826: Thomas Morley**, the son of William and Martha Morley, was baptised at Manchester Cathedral on 18 October 1826 – at the same time, his sister Jane, who was younger than he, was also baptised.



**1834 - 1842:** Scholar at The King's School, Chester.

**1837:**

Burial: 6 August 1837 St. Peter, Bolton.  
 Martha Morley - Wife of William Morley  
 Age: 34 years  
 Abode: Little Bolton  
 Buried By: M Argles Curate

**1851 census:** Foregate Street, Chester.

William Morley	Head	W	58	Retired Manchester Warehouseman	b. Yorks.
Mary	Daur.	S	29	Governess	b. Manchester
<b>Thos. A. Morley</b>	Son	S	26	Graduate of Trin. Coll. Dublin	b. Manchester
Jane	Daur.	S	24	Governess	b. Manchester

**1854:** *Chester Courant* – Wednesday 6 September 1854.

*TESTIMONIAL - On Monday evening the 21st ult., the teachers and friends in connection with St. Paul's School, Huntley Brook, Bury, held a tea party. There was a good attendance, and after tea, Mr. G. Hoyle, made a short address in which he expressed his regret that the Rev. T. A. Morley was on the point of leaving, and concluded by presenting to him, as a slight acknowledgment of his past services in the district of Huntley, a beautiful pocket communion service. On the plate was handsomely engraved the following inscription :- "Presented to the Rev. T. A. Morley, BA., Curate of St. Paul's Church, Bury. By the friends, teachers, and scholars of Huntley School, August*

21<sup>st</sup>, 1854." *The Rev. gentleman replied in an interesting speech, and expressed his sense of the kindness manifested by the friends and teachers of the school, and especially by the members of the Hoyle family then present, to whom he had been particularly indebted during the period of three years that he had been located there, for their ready assistance in carrying out the interests of the school, and expressed a hope that when his place was occupied by his successor they would extend the hand of fellowship towards him, and still continue to further the good work of education. Several excellent speeches were delivered on the occasion. We understand that the **Rev. T. A. Morley** is appointed to the curacy of Ellenbrook, near Worsley. (**Mr. Morley** was formerly a scholar at the King's School in Chester.)*

**1857:** *Bolton Chronicle* – Saturday 27 June 1857.

***Proposed Address to the Earl of Ellesmere.** On Wednesday evening last, a public meeting was held in the Court-house, at Worsley, for the purpose of preparing an address to be presented to the Right Honourable the Earl of Ellesmere, from the ministers, churchwardens, and inhabitants of Worsley, Walkden, and Ellenbrook, on his accession to the title, and estates connected therewith. The notice convening the meeting was signed by the Rev. St. Vincent Beechey, incumbent of Worsley Church, with Peter Nightingale and Samuel Fletcher, Esqrs., as churchwardens: by the Rev. George Whitlock, incumbent of Walkden, with Messrs. James Ridyard and James Higson, churchwardens: and by the **Rev. T. A. Morley**, curate of Ellenbrook; with Messrs Robert Lansdale, and Richard Nicholls, as churchwardens. The object had evidently met with approval, the meeting being very respectably and numerously attended, including some of the most influential gentlemen in the neighbourhood. Fereday Smith Esq., the superintendent to the trustees of the late Duke Bridgewater, was called to the chair; and amongst those present we noticed the Revs. St. Vincent Beechey and **T. A. Morley**, and Messrs. Peter Nightingale, S. Fletcher, J. H. Mansfen, J. Ridyard, —Grover, J. Higson, R. Lansdel, C. Kemp, Richard Nicholls, J. Anderson, John Mitchell, John Tait, and W. Carr. The Chairman opened the meeting with a few brief and practical remarks, in which he passed a high eulogium on the public character and private virtues of the late Earl of Ellesmere, and the deep respect in which was held by all classes of society; and also expressed a hope and prayer that the present earl might emulate his father's good and consistent life, by imitating his holy and worthy example. An address, prepared by the Rev. St. Vincent Beechey, was submitted to the meeting. After sundry alterations had been made, it was moved by the chairman, and carried unanimously, amidst hearty plaudits. The address, after few words of condolence on the death of his father, goes on to congratulate the earl upon his accession to the title and property; and expresses a hope that his life, and that of the countess, may long be spared, and that they may render themselves equally useful in the neighbourhood with those preceding them. A vote of thanks to the chairman, and to the Rev. St. Vincent Beechey, who had prepared the address, concluded the business of the meeting.—The address will be presented by Mr. Fereday Smith; it will be written on parchment, and is expected to be ready for presentation today (Saturday). Along with the above particulars, we are authorised to say that the earl is in the enjoyment of better health than he has had for some considerable length of time past.*

**1859:** Marriage on 13 January 1859 at St Mark, Worsley, between **Thomas Aldersey Morley** and Betsy Smith. The marriage was by Licence and was conducted by the Rev. St. Vincent Beechey.

1852. Marriage solemnized at <u>Worsley</u> in the <u>Parish of Eccles</u> in the County of <u>Lancaster</u>								
No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the Time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
24	January 13 <sup>th</sup> 1859	Thomas Aldersey Morley	36	Bachelor	Clerk	Worsley Boothstown Worsley	William Morley	Gentleman
		Bessie Smith	28	Spinster			Richard Smith	Gentleman
Married in the <u>Church of St. Mark</u> according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church, by <u>Licence</u> or after _____ by me,								
This Marriage was solemnized between us,		<u>Thomas Aldersey Morley</u>			in the Presence of us,		<u>Richard Vincent Morley M.A. Incumbent</u> <u>William Smith M.A. Curate</u> <u>John Smith</u>	

1861:  
Booth  
Hall,

Boothstown

Thomas Aldersey Morley Head M 36 M.A. Curate of Worsley b.Manchester

Bessie Wife M 28 b.Manchester

+ 2 servants.

1863: *Manchester Times* – Saturday 15 August 1863.

**Ellenbrook Chapel.** – On Saturday afternoon an interesting ceremonial was observed in the chapel belonging to the Egerton family at Ellenbrook, near Worsley, when the youthful Earl of Ellesmere was presented with an organ for the furtherance of Divine worship in the chapel, and in memory of his late father. One of the late Earl's acts was to commence the restoration of the chapel, which is a neat brick structure of no great pretensions, but considerably ivy-grown, and not without something of picturesque antiquity in the style of the interior. At the east end there is a handsome east window, also in memory of the (second) Earl of Ellesmere. On Saturday the ceremonial was preceded by an opening service in the chapel, conducted by the curate of Ellenbrook, the **Rev. T. A. Morley**, who was assisted by the Rev. St. Vincent Beechey and the Rev. Mr. Herbert. The young Earl, who looks about 15 years of age, was accompanied by a younger brother, also by his uncle, the Hon. A. Egerton M.P., and Mrs Egerton, and Lady Blanche Egerton. Mr Joule presided at the organ, which is a small instrument, of handsome exterior, and very sweet toned. After the service the Rev. Mr. Beechey advanced to the front of the Earl's seat, and after a very few words of introduction, presented the following address, which he read, and which explains the origin of the gift:

To the Right Hon. the Earl of Ellesmere. May it please your lordship,—We, the clergy and congregation of your domestic chapel of Ellenbrook, together with numerous other friends have maturely considered what manner they might best testify their affection, and respect towards your lordship's late much lamented father, resolved upon the erection of an organ in this chapel, which it was amongst his last pious acts to restore, to the honour and glory of God, and in memory of their much loved and revered patron George Granville Francis, second Earl of Ellesmere, In the name of the whole body of subscribers, the committee desire this day to consign and make over to your lordship and your heirs for ever this small token of their affectionate and grateful remembrance, humbly but heartily praying that it may please Almighty God long to spare your lordship in health and happiness, to emulate the good deeds of such a father and grandfather, and to be blessing to this neighbourhood which owes so much to their unwearied spirit of well doing, Should it please your lordship to accept at their hands the organ which has now been opened, and to devote it to the glory and worship of God, in solemn memory of your good father, you will confer upon the subscribers an obligation which they thus desire publicly to solicit, and which they will graciously acknowledge – Signed on behalf of the committee and subscribers, ST. VINCENT BEECHEY, chairman; T. A. MORLEY, curate; ROBERT LANSDALE, hon. sec. (Some other signatures followed.)

Immediately on the conclusion of Mr. Beechey, who handed the address to the Earl, Mr. A. Egerton said: I am directed by Lady Ellesmere, as one of the guardians of Lord Ellesmere, on their behalf and on behalf of Lord Ellesmere, to accept the organ which

*has this day been presented to him, and, considering the solemnity of the place in which we stand on this occasion, I will only add that Lady Ellesmere and the surviving members of the Late Lord Ellesmere's family do feel, and will always feel, very gratefully the feeling which has prompted this gift to Lord Ellesmere. – The congregation, which was numerous, then dispersed. The organ was built by Mr. Wadsworth.*

*Manchester Courier - Saturday 14 November 1863.*

**Diocese of Manchester. - Appointments:** *The Rev. Charles Barton, B.A., to the perpetual curacy and parish church of Flixton : patron, the Bishop Manchester ; the Rev. Joshua Ground, M.A. to the stipendiary curacy of Holy Trinity Church, Preston. The Lord Bishop of Manchester has appointed the **Rev. T. A. Morley, M. A.**, for nine years curate of Ellenbrook, Worsley, to the perpetual curacy of St. George's, Charlestown, vacant by the preferment of the Rev. H. M. Harmer, M.A, to St Paul's, Paddington.*

*Manchester Courier - Saturday 5 December 1863.*

*Active CURATE, of sound Church principles, is WANTED for the parish of St. George. Charlestown, Manchester: church large, population 5,000: stipend £100.— Apply to the **Rev. T. A. MORLEY**, Boothstown, Manchester.*

**1866:** *Manchester Courier - Saturday 13 January 1866.*

**MORLEY - January 1,** *the wife of the Rev. T. A. Morley, M.A., incumbent of St. George's, Pendleton, of a daughter [Emily Mary].*

Baptised on 18 February **1866** Emily Mary, of New Hall Cottage, at St. George, Charlestown, by her father.

[She died on 30 November 1956, aged 89 years. She had married the Rev. Charles Thomas Roberts, She was buried at Wolvercote Cemetery, Oxford].

**1868:**

As a former scholar of the King's School, Chester, he frequently attended the annual anniversary dinners of the Chester Association of King's Scholars. In 1867, he was appointed vice-Chairman of the association and was called upon to offer a toast to the headmasters past and present.

**1871:** New Hall Farm (St.George's Parsonage), Pendleton.

<b>Thomas Aldersey Morley</b>	Head	M	46	
Bessie	Wife	M	48	
Emily Mary	5	Scholar		b. Pendleton

**1876:** *London Evening Standard - Monday 19 June 1876.*

*Preferments and Appointments: **Rev. T. A. Morley** , to vicarage of West Thurrock, Essex.*

**1881:** Vicarage House, West Thurrock, Essex.

<b>Thomas A. Morley</b>	Head	M	56	Vicar of West Thurrock
Bessie	Wife	M	57	
Emily M.	Daur.	M	16	

+ 2 servants.

**1891:** The Vicarage, West Thurrock, Essex.

<b>Thomas A. Morley</b>	Head	M	66	Clerk in Holy Orders
Bessie	Wife	M	68	
Emily M.	Daur.	S	25	

Mary Morley                                      Sis.    69      Living on Own Means  
+ 2 servants.

**1892:** *Manchester Courier* - Saturday 7 May **1892**.

*Roberts – Morley: - May 3rd, at the Parish Church, West Thurrock, Essex, by the Ven. Archdeacon of Essex, assisted by the Rev. Canon Whittington, Rector of Orsett and R.D., and the Rev. F. Brindley, Chaplain of the Middlesex Hospital, the Rev. C. T. Roberts, Curate of the parish, youngest son of the late Henry Edward Roberts, of South Lambeth, to Emily Mary, daughter and only child of the Rev. T. A. Morley, Vicar of the parish.*

**1895:** *Chelmsford Chronicle* – Friday 4 January **1895**.

*WEST THURROCK. Resignation of the Vicar.- The Rev. T. A. Morley, vicar, writing in the January number of the Parish Magazine, says the recollections of close upon 19 years among the parishioners were somewhat saddened by the thought that that was the last time he should address them as presiding over the spiritual interest and work of the parish. Considerable progress had been made in church matters during his incumbency, and he felt that he left the scene of his labours brighter and more cheering than it was 19 years ago.*

Thanks and regret were also expressed at his retirement dinner for their curate, the Rev. C. T. Roberts who was also leaving the parish. Seemingly, the family was about to relocate to Uxbridge. In March a presentation of an illuminated address in English gold frame, and a purse of 50 guineas, was made to the **Rev. T. A. Morley** by the parishioners.

**1898:** Cleveland House, Uxbridge. Home of Charles Roberts, C. of St. Andrew, Hillingdon, formerly C. of West Thurrock 1889-95.

**1901:** Baulking Vicarage, Berks.

Charles Roberts	Head	M	35	Clergyman	b. Lambeth
Emily M.	Wife	M	35		b. Pendleton
Charles A. M.	Son		7		b. West Thurrock
<b>Thomas A.</b>	F-in-law		78	Widower; Clergyman	

+ 2 servants.

**1901:** *Faringdon Advertiser* - Saturday 7 September **1901**.

*BAULKING HARVEST FESTIVAL. - A Thanksgiving Service for the safe ingathering of the harvest was held on Wednesday evening last. The Church had been very tastefully decorated ... Gifts of fruit and flowers, corn and vegetables, had been very kindly sent by many generous friends, and the heartiness of the service testified to the real gratitude in the hearts of the congregation. ... Amongst the most permanent gifts noticed in the church were a very fine altar rail, presented by the Rev T. A. Morley, as a thankoffering on completing 50 years of ministerial work in the Church, and handsome fall for the Litany desk, worked and presented by Miss Grace Plumer.*

**1905:** *Faringdon Advertiser* - Saturday 7 October **1905**.

*The annual Harvest Festival of Thanksgiving was held on Thursday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>, and the following Sunday. ... Much regret was expressed at the Rev. T. A. Morley's absence through illness.*



**WILL.**

Died 17 May **1906**, Berkshire. Probate 30 June 1906 at Oxford. Lived at Baulking Vicarage, near Faringdon, Berks. Effects to Emily Mary Roberts, wife of Rev. Charles Thomas Roberts. Buried at Wolvercote Cemetery, Oxford, on 21 May 1906, aged 81.



Also of  
The **Rev. T. ALDERSEY**  
**MORLEY** M.A. Priest  
At Rest May 17 1896

Also, Betsey Morley buried there on 7 April 1899, aged 76. Also, Charles Thomas Roberts on 4 March 1913, aged 47. Also, Emily Mary Roberts on 4 Dec 1956, aged 90.

