



# Halsall News

April 2018

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### **Rector**

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The Rectory

Church Lane

Lydiate

L31 4HL

**Phone:** 0151 526 0512

**Parish Mobile:** 07518 926086

Email: paulrobinson407@gmail.com

**Parish Surgery: Anyone wishing to arrange a Baptism or Wedding should ring the Rector's Secretary to make an appointment. The phone number of the office is 0151 526 2292 and the office is staffed Monday-Wednesday 9.00am—1.00pm or you can email at:**

stthomassteph@btinternet.com

**The Sick: This parish is committed to the care of the sick. Names of those in need of this ministry, either at home or in hospital, should be given to Paul. The Blessed Sacrament (Holy Communion) is reserved in church and can be taken to the housebound or ill. Holy Oil is also kept for the anointing of the sick.**

**The Dying: Paul can be contacted at any time of the day or night in order to minister to the dying.**

### **Halsall St Cuthbert Hub website**

The website for the St Cuthbert Church community can be viewed at  
[www.halsallstcuthberthub.co.uk](http://www.halsallstcuthberthub.co.uk)

The website contains information about services and events, archive material including school reports, Halsall Parish Magazines dating from now and back to the 1800's, information and other general news updates.

It also provides a link to *Virginmoneygiving.com* where it is possible to donate to us online. On the spot updates are also available via the Facebook page.

We would love to hear from anyone who may wish to suggest other content that would be relevant and of interest to the community.

General enquiries about the site can be directed by e-mail to:  
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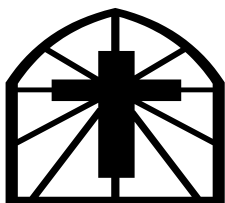
## Jesus is risen HALLELUIA!

By the time you get to read this it will be Easter Sunday or even later and we will be celebrating the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ! It is now we toss aside the sorrow of Lent and replace it with the joy of Easter. The time for sorrow is over and now it is time to rejoice! Easter is the most important day in our faith lives because without it, none of us could have new life with our sins forgiven on earth, and the promise of eternal life in Heaven. For it was through His passion, death and resurrection that Jesus took the sins of the world upon his shoulders and made it possible for all of us to enter into the Kingdom!

Many Anglican churches have removed the figure of Christ from their crosses to symbolize the importance of the resurrection over the crucifixion. In St Thomas and St Cuthbert's we continue to remember the crucifixion, in spite of the fact that the resurrection is of primary importance, and you will notice that we still have a figure of Christ upon the cross. We do this so we remember the suffering that Jesus underwent for us despite the fact that he was without sin. Seeing the figure of Christ on the cross emphasizes the humanity of our Lord, who chose to become man so that he could overcome death and despair for all of us. His death and resurrection remind us of the overwhelming love God has for each of us. He loves us so much that he gave his only Son so that whoever believes in Him can have forgiveness of sins and eternal life.

So is that it? Well no as each of us now need to take the incredible events of Holy Week to heart and to choose to follow God; and having chosen the life and love that Jesus offers, we then need to go into our world and offer it to everyone that we have contact with. Our call is to follow Jesus and to bring him and His love to everyone we meet through our words and actions. I hope you had lovely Easter and enjoy the spring and the summer to come; and I also hope that you will take the love of Christ with you as you journey through the rest of the year.

With love and blessings Glen.



## Sunday Services in the United Benefice for April 2018

### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April – Easter Day**

8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	St Thomas'
9.30am	Easter Ceremonies & CW Sung Eucharist	St Cuthbert's
11.00am	Easter Ceremonies & CW Sung Eucharist	St Thomas'

### **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April – Easter 2**

8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	St Thomas'
9.30am	CW Sung Eucharist	St Cuthbert's
11.00am	CW Sung Eucharist	St Thomas'

### **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Easter 3**

8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	St Thomas'
9.30am	BCP Holy Communion	St Cuthbert's
11.00am	CW Sung Eucharist	St Thomas'

### **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Easter 4**

8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	St Thomas'
9.30am	Family Eucharist	St Cuthbert's
11.00am	Family Eucharist	St Thomas'

### **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April – Easter 5**

10.30am	U/B Sung Eucharist	St Thomas'
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### Mid-Week Communion Services for April 2018

Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00am	St Thomas'
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00am	St Thomas'
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00am	St Thomas'
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00am	St Thomas'

# ST CUTHBERT'S CHURCH

**Come and Join us**

At our

**Family Eucharist Service**

on

**Sunday 22<sup>ND</sup> of April 2018**

At

**9.30 am for Refreshments**  
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A Fun Service for **ALL** the Family  
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## **NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL**

### **PLANNING**

2018/0092/FUL - 78 New Street - First floor rear extension, orangery to rear and extend garage at rear

2018/0202/FUL – 14 Heathey Lane - Proposed extension and alteration to existing residential dwelling including side extension, rear extension, provision of dorma and all associated works.

### **PARKING ALONG SUMMERWOOD LANE**

Cars parking either side of Summerwood Lane at school times and when funerals and weddings are taking place at St Cuthberts are causing an obstruction and prevent large vehicles, including the emergency services from passing through.

Please use the Memorial Hall car park whenever possible.

### **Dog Fouling**

The Parish Council has been informed of numerous incidents of dog poo not being picked up and disposed of properly. The dog warden has been informed and fines will be handed out to anyone caught not picking dog poo up or failing to dispose of it in the proper receptacle.

### **Parish Council Meetings**

The next Parish Council Meeting will take place on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 7.45 p.m. at St Aidans Hall, Renacres Lane, Shirdley Hill, Halsall.

**Please note: If you wish to make audio or video recording, or take photographs of the meeting please phone Dave Bond, Parish Clerk on 01704 534090 or email [davebondhpc@aol.com](mailto:davebondhpc@aol.com) in advance of the meeting so that this can be arranged in an organised manner in order to minimise any disruption.**

A full list of Councillors and contact numbers can be found toward the front of the magazine.

**The Parish Council Website [www.halsallparish.com](http://www.halsallparish.com) includes agendas and minutes of previous meetings.**



# **HALSALL PARISH COUNCIL**

## **INVITES ALL RESIDENTS TO THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

**At 7.00 pm on Wednesday 11th April 2018**

**Venue:**

**St Aidans Hall, Renacres Lane.**

**Have your say.  
Hear about the past year's progress**

### **For information:**

#### **BUS SERVICE - 315 ROUTE DESCRIPTION**

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**USE IT OR LOSE IT**

## Bishop's Walk Clear Up



On the afternoon of Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018, children from Class H & Class G met with members of Halsall Environment Group in Bishop's walk.

Walking down the path, many of the children noticed the large amount of rubbish taking over the majestic scenery. We organized ourselves into teams of three and began the clear up. We found many discarded items: dog muck bags, crisp packets, sweet wrappers, old lunch boxes, cans and many other items that were wrongly put there.

After that, we were instructed to collect loose twigs. And put them into piles. These piles would play the part of bug houses. Also, we were selected by the teachers to work with members of Halsall Environment group to build bug houses out of old wooden pallets and various other recyclable materials and twigs. Children had brought lots of interesting items from home to stuff into the pallets to create nooks and crannies for wildlife; wellies, socks, pipes and these will be added to over the year.



Once the rubbish was cleared and the bug houses were made, the students from Class G were partnered with some children from Class H. We were all given flowers to plant to add to the gorgeous environment that is Bishops Walk.

Now, Bishops Walk is once again a tidy and beautiful place that our school and the public can enjoy.

**By Billy Richardson and Isabelle Webster.**

# Halsall St Cuthbert's CE Aided Primary School

We currently require Welfare Assistants to join our team.

We initially need cover on Fridays, but will also require weekly cover on a temporary basis for one hour each day 12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m.

Please contact Mr Scholes at school for more information.

**01704 840253**

## CHURCH CLEANING ROTA April 2018



1st April	<b>E Banks</b>	N Donaldson S Roberts	M Webster	L Wilkinson
15th April	<b>A Critchley</b>	P Waterworth C Moss	S Waterworth E Robinson	K Twist M Mills
29th April	<b>P Carr</b>	E Houlgrave J Aynsley	E Carr A Webster	A Grimshaw

# Report from Halsall Primary

## SIAMS Report (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools)

Halsall St Cuthbert's was inspected in late January and I am pleased to say, received a glowing report. This is formal acknowledgement of the fabulous work that we do here.

The school was judged **OUTSTANDING** in all 4 areas.

- \* **Church School Distinctiveness**
- \* **Impact of Worship**
- \* **Quality of RE Teaching**
- \* **Leadership and Management**

It is a great credit to the children, staff, governors, parents, church and community and we are rightly very proud of this wonderful achievement.

Highlighted statements from the report include :

*"Parents spoke passionately about how the relationships in the school stem from the good Christian ethos and values rooted in God."*

*"Staff turnover is low because staff morale is so high and everyone feels valued."*

*"This school is rooted in Christian principles and is a place of joy."*

*"Links with the church are dynamic and inspiring."*

*"Christian values are modelled by a dedicated and expert staff team who live and breathe a distinctive Christian vision for the school and its pupils."*

*"The school places much importance on the development of staff, nurturing the leadership potential of all employees. This contributes to the perception of pupils and parents that everyone, including every teacher, loves to come to school here."*

The full report can be found on the school website. [www.halsall.lancs.sch.uk](http://www.halsall.lancs.sch.uk)

## Admissions for September 2019

Could I highlight the importance to prospective parents, of a **Christian Commitment** when applying for school admission next September. This is measured by church worship attendance over the 12 months prior to the governors' admissions committee meeting, which will be held in March 2019.

If prospective parents wish to gain a place under the **Christian Commitment** Admissions Criteria, it is important that they can show that they have worshipped regularly, at least once each month through that period. Attendance at a church from this February/March 2018 would therefore be significant.

## Mothering Sunday Service (St Cuthbert's Church)

The Mothers' Day Service was another very special occasion

It was so nice to see the children performing so enthusiastically and worshipping with a smile. The church was packed to the rafters and hopefully everyone had a lovely time. It was great to see the children thanking their mums. (and grandmas!)

Thanks to the parents and families who turned out to support the children.

### **Stonewall**

I am pleased to confirm that our school has now been given Stonewall Champion Status. This is in light of recent training and it acknowledges our continued commitment to diversity and inclusion both within our school and local community.

### **Science Week**

Our special Science Week was a big success. Children took part in planned science investigations and carried out lots of weird and wonderful experiments. It was great fun and hopefully it'll inspire a few of them to become scientists of the future. Thanks to Mrs. Galley for organising the event.

See the website for photos and reports.

### **Book Fair.**

The Book Fair was very popular with the parents and we managed to sell over £400 worth of books. Using our commission we purchased a wide range of class fiction books and information texts, to supplement the class libraries. Thanks to everyone who supported this initiative.

### **Sports.**

- Halsall St Cuthbert's recently won the small schools 7-a-side football tournament at Ormskirk High School. Congratulations to the lads and everyone who took part.
- We also won the Superstars Tournament the other week, in which we were competing against 24 other local primaries. An amazing achievement and Mrs. Crane and her volunteers deserve a great amount of credit.
- We continue to take advantage of our National Sports Grant. Mrs. Crane is trying extremely hard to use the extra PE funds effectively. We want all our children to develop a love for sport and exercise and enjoy the thrill and excitement of participation and competition.
- We've already extended swimming lessons to include Year 3s, we've got mini-wheelers for the reception children, there'll be yoga sessions on Monday afternoons through the summer term, we've got Forest School workshops planned and a major program of inter-school competition involving the children in cross country, swimming, diving, gymnastics, superstars, football, netball, orienteering, benchball, tag rugby and rounders. Brilliant.
- A big thanks to the parents for supporting all these events. Without such amazing support and help with transport etc., we'd never be able to give the children these wonderful, inter-school opportunities.

**D Scholes (Head Teacher)**

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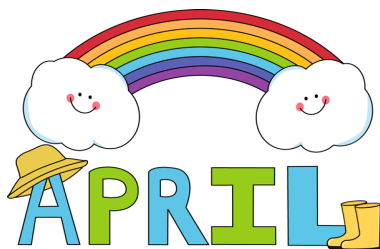
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# Halsall St Cuthbert's Sunday School



We welcome any new children and their parents to join us on the 8<sup>th</sup> April at 9.30am and then again at the Family service on the 22<sup>nd</sup> April (Earth Day) at 9.15-9.30am for pre-service refreshments.

In May we meet on the 13<sup>th</sup> and the 27<sup>th</sup> at 9.30am. Weather permitting, we should be able to get out and about during these occasions. It would be good to see you enjoying our very informal and friendly sessions.

Tara Kenyon and Ann Cushion

## WARDENS AND SIDESPERSONS

April 2018



1st	Lynda Bramwell	Anne Grimshaw	Beryl Sephton
8th	Stephen Henders	Elaine Ayre	Eileen Houlgrave Ann Critchley
15th	Lynda Bramwell	Colin Throp	Eleanor Wroe Enid Banks
22nd	Stephen Henders	David Jessop	Tina Roberts Kath Liddle
29th	Lynda Bramwell	Elaine Ayre	Jim Critchley Len Davidson

# Halsall Village - Proud and Tidy

It is a very busy time for us and there is lots to report this month



We had great fun with our schoolchildren in **Bishop's Walk**. The children were very enthusiastic and worked very hard building two "**Mini Beast Hotels**". They also tidied up twigs and branches which had snapped off during the winter and finished off the afternoon by each planting a wild primrose. A lovely afternoon! Thanks to those who came along to help.

## MINI BEAST HOTEL

Thanks also to all those who took part in The Great British Spring Clean organised by Conor Edwards. It really makes a big difference when people come together to lend a hand. If you are round and about in the village, maybe walking your dog, please help us keep up the good work by taking a bag with you and picking any litter you see - and if you would like a litter picker please let us know.



Our Scarecrow Festival will run from 1st June to 1st July.

Once again we will be holding a family treasure hunt to raise much needed funds. If you haven't already decided what to make, it's time to get your thinking hats on!!! We will include some easy tips about how to put your Scarecrow together in next months newsletter. Watch this space.



We are very pleased to report that we have been awarded a Local Member grant of £500 from County Councillor David O'Toole to help pay for the recladding of the Cricket Hut at the Memorial Playing Fields. It has been in a very poor looking state for many years and the leaking roof has now also become a problem. The money will buy the materials needed and the Cricket Club members will carry out the work. We are very fortunate to have such enthusiastic people involved. They spend many hours keeping the Playing Fields and the surrounding area neat and tidy. Well done - and thank you!



The Canal and Rivers Trust have agreed to help our volunteers to spruce up the canal bridge on Summerwood Lane. Our thanks to Grant, Johnathon and Natalie Ainsworth from the Saracens Head for offering to supply the paint and carry out the work.



Finally, **Road Cleaning**. We had a very productive meeting with Michelle Furlong who is a Street Cleaning Officer from West Lancs Borough Council. The weed spraying, footpath brushing and roadside channel/gutter cleaning has been carried out over the past few years by Lancashire County Council, but as from April this year it will be done by West Lancs Borough Council. Michelle will be involved in drawing up the local schedule and will keep us informed of what we are entitled to and when the work will be carried out. She has also agreed to supply us with some litter pickers and bags.

If you would like to find out more about our group please contact either

Eleanor Wroe 01704 841216 [elliwroe@hotmail.com](mailto:elliwroe@hotmail.com)  
or Enid Banks 01704 567654 [enidbanks@aol.com](mailto:enidbanks@aol.com)

## SANCTUARY LIGHTS



### ARIL

- 1st Rose Serjeant
- 1st Nellie Balshaw Edwards
- 3rd Keith Styling (Birthday)
- 3rd Margaret Heaton (Birthday)
- 5th Les Marshall (Birthday)
- 7th Roger Baldwin (Birthday)
- 8th Nellie Edwards (Birthday)
- 10th Vera Styling (Birthday)
- 11th John Banks (Birthday)
- 12th Thomas Balshaw
- 13th Joan Halsall
- 13th Maureen Ainscough
- 14th Jack Williams (Birthday)
- 17th Angela Pilkington
- 17th Brenda Helen Rhodes
- 17th Edward Sumner
- 19th Florrie Pilling (Anniversary)
- 21st Catherine Bullough
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- 27th Gladys May Core (Birthday)
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### General Garden Tasks

Spring clean borders, keep on top off weeding & hoeing.

Feed roses, borders, hedges, trees & shrubs with a general-purpose fertiliser.

Treat moss & weeds & re-seed bare patches.

Plant or move evergreen shrubs.

Feed acid loving plants.

Prune winter jasmine and hydrangea; tie in shoots of rambling roses & clematis.

Wait for six weeks (if you can) after flowers of spring bulbs are over before cutting foliage down.

Towards the end of the month, plant dormant dahlia tubers outside.

Plant new alpines & top up scree beds or troughs with gravel.

Continue to sow hardy annuals outside.

Pot up cuttings of tender perennials taken last year.

Tidy up hedges & clip if necessary.

Plant first early, second early & maincrop potatoes.

Plant asparagus crowns & globe artichokes.

Harvest the first overwintered spring onions.

Sow hardy herbs (parsley, chervil, coriander, fennel, dill & marjoram).

Plant strawberries.

Plant & tie-in a new grapevine.

Prune stone fruit trees if necessary.

Ventilate the greenhouse on sunny days but close it early to retain the heat at night.

Top-dress & take cuttings from big old plants.

Spring clean the pond.

Divide overgrown plants & put in new water plants.

Towards the end of the month start feeding your fish.



### Watch out for

Slugs & snails on newly emerged perennials & vegetable seedlings.

### Plants in their Prime

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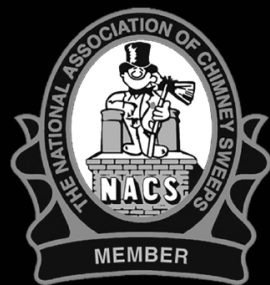
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