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stthomassteph@btinternet.com

<u>The Sick</u>: 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.

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

Halsall St Cuthbert Hub website

A new website for Halsall's St Cuthbert Church community has been launched and can be viewed at: http://www.halsallstcuthberthub.co.uk

The aim of the site is to:

- Raise funds for the repair of St Cuthbert's Church spire through volunteering and fundraising events
- Showcase archive church documents, school reports and the Halsall Parish Magazine/Halsall News which date back to 1800s and up to the present day
 - Church service times and other news.

For more information please contact Colin Throp on 01704 841281 or email:info@halsallstcuthberthub.co.uk

HOLY WEEK AT ST CUTHBERT'S AND ST THOMAS'

Holy Week is, or should be, the most important week in the year for any Christian. It is a time when we think about the journey that Jesus made for us. A journey that would change the course of history for ever.

On **Palm Sunday** we remember that people welcomed Jesus: they shouted Hosanna! To the Son of David; and waved palm branches in welcome. The people were glad to meet him, and that is how it should be for us as Christians today - we should be glad to meet Jesus in our worship. We should be glad to know the person who loves us so very much. Our life should be one of gladness in meeting Jesus.

On Maundy Thursday we remember that Jesus had a meal with his friends, and through that meal, he told us that whenever we eat bread together and drink wine, he will be with us in a very special way. It is also the day that Jesus shows us what it is to be a servant to other people. That it doesn't matter how important we think we are, as Christians, we should always be ready to help other people. Jesus was the greatest - the Son of God - and yet he washed his disciples feet, thus setting an example for us all.

On Good Friday we remember that because he loved us so much, Jesus was nailed to a cross. He was put to death by people who didn't like him and who didn't understand him. And we still nail Jesus to the cross today, we still put him to death. We do it every time we say or think something nasty and horrible about someone else. Because when we do this, we let God down, we let other people down and we let ourselves down, and it means that Jesus died for nothing. Yet Jesus loves us so very much that he was prepared to die for us, and therefore, we should do our best in keeping him alive by the things we do and say.

On Easter Day we remember that Jesus rose gloriously from the dead, and by rising from the dead he shows us that all he had ever said was true. The light that had come into the world could never be extinguished - and that light is Jesus. And when he told the women in the garden to go and tell other people about what happened, he was also telling us to do the same. All of us are called to tell the story of Jesus and we are called to tell it by what we say and do, and by how we live our lives.

So as you get ready for **Holy Week** (and you will find details of the services we have planned in this magazine) remember what Jesus has done for you remember the journey that he made for you, and come along and share that journey with others. **Holy Week** is the most important week in the

Christian Year. It is a time when we remember that the history of the world was changed forever, and it was done by someone who loves us and who desperately wants us to journey towards him.

HAVE A HAPPY AND HOLY EASTER



Sunday Services in the United Benefice for March 2016

Sunday 6th March - Lent 4/Mothering Sunday

8.00am BCP Holy Communion St Thomas' 9.30am Family Service (with the school) St Cuthbert's 11.15am Parade Service St Thomas'

Sunday 13th March - Lent 5/Passion Sunday

8.00am BCP Holy Communion St Thomas' 9.30am Eucharist (&Baptism) St Cuthbert's 11.15am CW Sung Eucharist St Thomas'

Sunday 20th March - Palm Sunday

See Holy Week & Easter Advert

Sunday 27th March - Easter Day

See Holy Week & Easter Advert

Mid-Week Services in the United Benefice

Wednesday 2nd March	10.00am	St Thomas' Church
Wednesday 9th March	10.00am	St Thomas' Church
Wednesday 16 th March	10.00am	St Thomas' Church

Monday 21st March9.00amHaskayne SchoolTuesday 22nd March9.00amSt Cuthbert's SchoolWednesday 23rd March9.00amSt Thomas' School

(Please join with our staff, children & parents for these Holy Week services)

Wednesday 30th March 10.00am St Thomas' Church

HOLY WEEK 20th March - 27th March SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AT ST CUTHBERT'S and ST THOMAS'

Please make sure that you note the times and places of Services - especially the Eucharist on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday which will be held in our schools and to which you are most welcome to attend

PALM SUNDAY

8.00am Holy Communion - St Thomas' 9.30am - CW Eucharist - St Cuthbert's (including The Blessing of Palms) 11.15am - CW Sung Eucharist - St Thomas' (including The Blessing of Palms)

MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK

9.00am - Eucharist - Haskayne School 10.30am - Diocesan Eucharist - Liverpool Cathedral (Including the Blessing of Oils and Renewal of Ordination Vows)

TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

9.00am - Eucharist - St Cuthbert's School

WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

9.00am - Eucharist - St Thomas' School

MAUNDY THURSDAY

7.30pm - CW Sung Eucharist, Stripping of the Altars - St Thomas' (followed by a vigil of prayer until 10.00pm)

GOOD FRIDAY

9.00am - Morning Prayer and BCP Litany - St Thomas'
11.00am - Stations of the Cross starting at Our Lady's Roman Catholic Church
with a Walk of Witness to St Thomas'

2.00pm - Good Friday Service - St Cuthbert's (IT WILL BE WARM IN CHURCH - I PROMISE)

HOLY SATURDAY

Morning and Evening Prayer (See below for time)

8.00am - BCP Holy Communion - St Thomas'

9.30am - CW Sung Eucharist - St Cuthbert's (including The Lighting of the Easter Candle and Renewal of Baptismal promises)
11.15am - CW - Sung Eucharist - St Thomas'

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Throughout Holy Week (Including Saturday) MORNING PRAYER will be said at 8.00am (Except Good Friday) and EVENING PRAYER at 6.30pm everyday at 5t Thomas' Church

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT HOLY WEEK IS THE MOST IMPORTANT WEEK IN THE CHRISTIAN YEAR. PLEASE DO YOUR BEST TO WORSHIP DAILY, IN PREPARATION FOR THE NEW LIFE OF EASTER THAT OUR LORD OFFERS TO ALL.

Halsall St Cuthbert's Sunday School



In March we will be meeting on the 13th at 9.30am in St Cuthbert's Church. It is hoped that the weather will be fine enough for us to go outside to explore the signs of spring around the village.

Our April dates for Sunday school are the 10^{th} and the 24^{th} at 9.30am.

Tara Kenyon and Ann Cushion

It would be appreciated if all Christmas Wreaths & Christmas Pots etc could be removed from the Churchyard before Easter Sunday (27th March) please.





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NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

2016/17 BUDGET AND PRECEPT

It should be noted that at the Parish Council meeting held on 10th February 2016 the Council resolved that the budget be set at £25,199 and the precept at £19,631. This represents an increase of 11.63% on last year which is mainly as a result of a reduction in concurrent funding from WLBC

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

2016/0072/FUL - Land To The Rear Of 84 And 86, New Street - Erection of detached house and garage.

For further information visit http://www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning.aspx

P.A.C.T. (Police And Communities Together) Meetings

Meetings are held in Haskayne Village Hall 109 School Lane with public participation.

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PARKING

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Parish Council Meetings

The next Parish Council Meeting will take place on . Wednesday 9th March 2016 at 7.30 p.m. at the Memorial Hall, Halsall Road, 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 in advance of the meeting so that this can be arranged in an organised manner in order to minimise any disruption.

The Parish Council Website www.halsallparish.com includes agendas and minutes of previous meetings.



Halsall village community treasure hunt!! 19th March 2016 at 1pm

Come and join us for a fantastic afternoon searching for answers clues and treasure in the beautiful village of Halsall. The treasure hunt is located around the centre of Halsall village it does require some walking but everywhere is accessible and wheelchair friendly.

From our fairy glen to our teddy bears tea party this is not one to be missed!!

Joining us are the fabulous star kidz team with some

magic answers!!

Look out for Peter Pan and tinker bell and Captain Hook!!!

And to finish the afternoon there are luxury prizes for the winning families you will not be disappointed I can assure you.

This is not a fastest first competition so don't worry if you have little ones and need more time first back isn't necessarily the winner!!

So what are you waiting for get this date in your diary!!

Refreshments and toilet facilities available During the treasure hunt!!

Come and explore our beautiful village you won't be disappointed any questions please ask.

Prices: Family ticket 2 adults up to 3 children £5.

Additional children 50 pence.

Halsall Sunshine Club

Due to diminishing support for the Sunshine Club, it has been decided to suspend further Bingo sessions until further notice.

However, we plan to go ahead and organise a Summer Trip on 28th June 2016 to Llandudno.

Further details to follow.

Chalice Rota March 2016



6 th March	Ann Cushion	Malcolm Sergeant
13 th March	Tara Kenyon	Stephanie Hilton
20 th March	Colin Throp	Lisa Sinclair
27 th March	Gwyn Williams	Ann Throp

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13th	Lynda Bramwell	Beryl Sephton	Bill White	
20th	Malcolm Serjeant	Eileen Houlgrave	Ann Critchley	
27th	Lynda Bramwell	Eleanor Wroe	Stephanie Hilto	n

CHURCH CLEANING ROTA FOR March2016



13th March	A Critchley K Orrit	P Waterworth	S Waterworth	K Twist
27th March	P Carr J Showering	E Houlgrave S Lloyd	E Carr	A Grimshaw

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Can you find the spring related words?

BLUEBELL LAMB
TULIP FOAL
CROCUS EASTER
FLOWER LEAF
DAFFODIL BULB
RABBIT BLOSSOM

The answers are on page 34

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

FEBRUARY

1st

4th	Peter Bradshaw
5th	Margaret Dutton (Birthday)
7th	Rose Mary Bailey (Birthday)
11th	Alice Jane Ryding (Birthday)
12th	D A Simpkin
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Marion Chadwick

12th Dorothy Cheetham (Anniversary) 13th Maureen Bailey (Birthday)

13th Joseph Haldane 15th John Pilling

15th John Henry Moorcroft
16th Anne Louise Moorcroft
16th Les Marshall (Remembrance)
17th Robert Heaton (Birthday)
18th William Stopforth (Birthday)
19th Lillian Dennett (Birthday)
21st Nancy Ainscough (Birthday)

25th Joseph Balmer

25th Mary Kenyon (Birthday)

Sarah Prescott

27th Maureen Ainscough (Birthday)

MARCH

11th

11th	Amy Florence Williams
11th	Robert Heaton (Anniversary)
12th	Sarah Critchley
14th	George Gaskell (Birthday)
15th	Alice Webster (Birthday)
16th	William Balshaw (Birthday)
17th	Frederick Moorcroft (Birthday)
17th	John Webster (Birthday)
19th	John Morris (Birthday)
27th	Richard Yule (Birthday)
27th	Elizabeth Rhodes (Birthday)
28th	Dennis Knowles (Birthday)
31st	Norman Harlow (Birthday)



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Bishop Thomas Ken 1637-1711

In the vestry of Halsall Church is a curious scrap of paper; it is handwritten and framed on the wall . It dates from 1688 and is signed by Ken, in the year he was committed to the Tower of London facing a charge of treason against James II.

Thomas Ken was a cleric and one of the fathers of modern English hymnology. He wrote, morning, evening and midnight hymns, the first two of which, beginning "Awake, my soul, and with the sun" and "Glory to Thee, my God, this night," are well known.

In 1679, Ken was appointed chaplain by Charles II to his niece, the Princess Mary. The Princess was betrothed to William of Orange but William was Indecisive. On a visit to the court at the Hague, Ken incurred the displeasure of William by insisting that a promise of marriage, made to an English lady, should be kept. William, perhaps influenced by Ken, did take the Princess Mary as his bride. When a vacancy occurred in the See of Bath and Wells, Ken was appointed Bishop. The consecration took place at Lambeth on 25 January 1685; and one of Ken's first duties was to attend the death bed of Charles, where his wise and faithful ministrations won him admiration.

After Charles' death his brother James II took the throne; he was a devout Catholic. In 1688, when James reissued his *Declaration of Indulgence*, Ken was one of the Seven Bishops who refused to publish it. He was probably persuaded by his opposition to Roman Catholicism, to which he felt he would be giving some episcopal recognition by compliance. Ken was committed to the Tower on 8th June 1688, on a charge of 'High Misdemeanour' and he was put on trial on 29 and 30 June but he was acquitted.

With the Glorious Revolution which speedily followed, new troubles beset Ken; for, having sworn allegiance to James, he thought himself thereby precluded from taking the oath to William of Orange. Accordingly, he took his place among the non-jurors, and, as he stood firm to his refusal, he was, in August 1691, stripped of his See and Bishop's title.

Queen Anne granted Ken a pension of £200 and he passed his last days at Longleat His death took place on 19 March 1711. At dawn the following day, whilst his faithful friends sang "Awake, my soul, and with the sun" Bishop Ken's remains were laid to rest beneath the East Window of the Church of St. John in Frome, the nearest parish in his old Diocese of Bath and Wells. "I am dying," Ken had written, "In the Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Faith professed by the whole Church before the disunion of East and West; and, more particularly, in the Communion of the Church of England, as it stands, distinguished from both Papal and Protestant innovation.

The fragment in Halsall Church speaks of virtues of humility and charity and may have been written, as a letter, to Nathaniel Brownwell who was the rector of our church at the time.

Stephen Henders, Churchwarden



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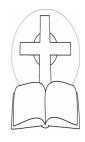
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March at-a-glance

Remember the old rhyme about March winds & April showers? – Adding, a sharp frost can still catch you out but, the sun often shines this month and when it does you can almost see the new gardening season gathering steam daily.

Happy Gardening.

General Garden Tasks

Spring clean the garden – fork over the soil in borders, weed & mulch, & dig up & divide overcrowded perennials.

Remove weeds & moss on paths & drives.

Deal with worm casts & molehills.

Make the first lawn cut if dry enough.

Redefine lawn edges.

Lay turf before the end of the month if not done in autumn.

Plant pot-grown shrubs, roses & climbers.

Prune modern bush roses, vigorous climbing roses, dogwoods & willows.

Tidy up patio roses, ground cover roses & shrub roses.

Moves deciduous trees & shrubs & plant new bare-root plants.

Renovate overgrown climbers.

Tidy up rock garden, alpine screes & sink gardens.

Sow wildflowers & hardy annuals.

Divide snowdrops 'in the green'.

Scrub or pressure-wash patio slabs.

Prepare soil, then sow lettuce, rocket, radishes, spring onions, leeks, broad beans & peas.

Plant onion sets & shallots.

Plant early potatoes grown in pots undercover; plant outdoors at the end of the month.

Sow hardy herbs & plant & divide perennial herbs.

Plant rhubarb, pot-grown fruit trees & bushes & strawberry plants.

Prune standard apple & pear trees before the buds burst into growth.

Hand-pollinate peaches, nectarines & apricots & protect early blossom with fleece.

Sow tomatoes, chillies, sweet-peppers, aubergines & half-hardy annuals under glass.

Watch out for

Slugs, snails, woodlice & greenfly under glass.

Mice in sheds & greenhouses.

On cold nights cover vulnerable plants with fleece.

Plants in there Prime

Daffodils. Crocus. Lily-of-the-valley. Tulips. Magnolia stellata. Chaenomeles. Forsythia. Camellias. Amelancheir lamarckii. Aubrieta. Primula. Wallflowers. Cornus. Azaria. Spiarea. Skimmia japonica. Viburnum tinus. Jasmine. Scilla. Garrya. Clematis `Freckles`. Malus. Scilla

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Badminton Club Over 16's	Thursday 7.30pm St Cuthbert's School	Margaret 01704 840305 Jim 01704 840908
Bootcamp	Monday 6.30-7.15 Wednesday 6.30-7.15 Halsall Memorial Hall	Rachel Pimblett 07875 483733
Halsall Community Group	Various	Louise 07734452323 Facebook. The Official Halsall Village Community
Halsall West End Cricket Club Junior Coaching Boys and Girls Year 3 to Year 6		John Kershaw (Junior Players Coordinator) 07718433492
Crown Green Bowling Club	Saracen's Head Halsall	Carole Toal 01695 577920 Charles Nason 01695 574073
Halsall Environment Group	Various working parties around the village.	Eleanor Wroe 01704 841216 Or Enid Banks 01704 567654
Shirdley Hill Roadside Environment Workers SHREW	Various	Dave Corfield 01704 840705
Halsall Football Club	Memorial Playing Field Halsall	Paul Williams

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Karate 7 years and over	Monday 6pm-8pm St Aiden's Hall Shirdley Hill	Graham Parsons 0151 531 7598
Luncheon Club	St Aiden's Hall Shirdley Hill	Sylvia Corfield 01704 840705
Meditation Monthly Meetings	Sunday St Aiden's Shirdley Hill	Jenny Pearce 01704 840117
Pilates	Monday 7.30-8.30pm Halsall Memorial Hall	Rachel Pimblett 07875 483733
Shirdley Hill Residents Association	Various See Halsall News	Dave Corfield 01704 840705
	Scouting	
Beavers	Tuesday 6.30-7,30pm St Cuthbert's School	Barbara Threlfall 07817 382221
Cub Scouts	Monday 6-7.30pm St Cuthbert's School	Tracy Berkley 07531 603290
Scouts	Monday 7-8,30pm St Cuthbert's School	Jane Coventry 07887 685219
Snooker Club	Halsall Memorial Hall Playing Field	Gerald Neale 01704 841275 Or Jason Neale 07968228173

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