

Halsall News

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All Meetings are currently cancelled due to the current public health situation.

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The Dying: Alex can be contacted at any time in order to minister to the dying on 07798 702831 or 01695 422306.

Halsall St Cuthbert Hub website

The website for the St Cuthbert Church community can be viewed at 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: info@halsallstcuthberthub.co.uk

Hello,

Welcome to a slimmer Halsall News magazine this month. Due to the situation we all find ourselves in the magazine is only available on line this month as it isn't possible to deliver it safely to homes in the Parish.

The magazine will be back to the usual printed version as soon as Government guidelines allow. In the meantime Stay Safe.

Susan Roberts

West Lancs Together Corona Care

If you are unable to rely on family or friends for practical support whilst self-isolating West Lancs Together can help

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Last month a complaint was received about the advice given on page 5 about the recommended 'social distancing' guidelines. This advice was drawn from The World Health Organisation guidance in place at the time of printing.

The UK Government has since then advised that 2 metres should be used. Guidance can change frequently and we would remind people to watch the daily national news updates for the most up to date guidance.

Please note that all information in the magazine each month is correct to the best of our knowledge at the time of going to press.

News From Your Parish Council

20th April 2020

In view of the current public health situation and following advice from Central Government and the National Association of Local Councils all meetings of the Halsall Parish Council and it's Committees have been cancelled until further notice.

This includes the Annual Parish and Annual Parish Council meetings normally held in May.

Please remember you can contact the Parish Clerk or any of your councillors listed below for help or advice if necessary:

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Rainbow painting by Betsy age 3.



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Non urgent appointments and visiting have been cancelled, and the hospitals are looking after those most in need

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With all street parties and celebrations cancelled The Royal British Legion invite everyone to join in from home on Friday 8th May to commemorate VE Day 75.

- 11.00 –11.02 A National Moment of Remembrance and Two Minute Silence
- 11.15-12.00 Tune into The Royal British Legion livestream on Facebook or Website
- 20.00-21.00 Watch VE Day 75: A Musical Celebration, BBC One
- 21.00 A televised address to the Nation by Her Majesty the Queen. Join in the 'We'll Meet Again' sing a long, on BBC One.

The Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport have produced a pack with ideas for homemade VE Day bunting, original recipes, games and educational and creative activities for children.

Available to download from ve-vjday75.gov.uk

The Memorial Gates at the Playing Field



A tribute for VE Day 75 to
those from the Parish who
gave their lives in the
Second World War



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Update from Halsall St Cuthbert's

Covid 19

At the time of writing the school has been closed for about 5 weeks. We hope and pray that the situation will improve soon and that we can re-open at some time in the summer term. Halsall St Cuthbert's is just a building. To be a school, it needs the children. All the staff are missing their bright and happy little faces so much.

Admissions 2020

We have been inundated this year with applications for children to start in the reception year.

The LEA has now offered 20 places to parents and we look forward to welcoming their children in the autumn. If we manage to return to school later in the summer term, we hope to arrange a couple of half-day inductions for the new children and an information meeting for parents. More details concerning this will follow.

Home Learning

Staff have been very busy providing children's work packs each week and directing parents to appropriate online learning platforms. There are numerous available, to provide the right level of challenge.

Hopefully, most parents are managing to cope with the demands of supporting their children with the set work. Such support is vital if children are to maintain their level of progress and attain the Expected Levels. Please see the school website for more details.

Key Worker Childcare

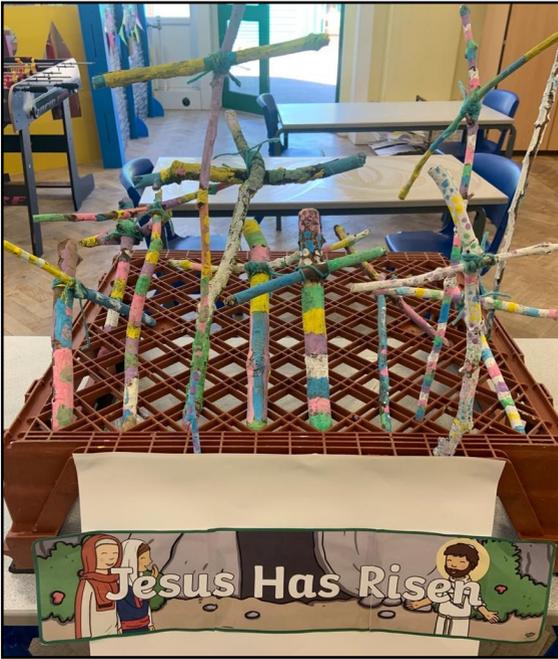
Despite the lockdown, St Cuthbert's School has been open daily from 8-30am to 4-30pm providing childcare for the children of key workers. We even maintained this provision option through the 2 week Easter break. Members of staff have provided supervision on a rota basis and have been fantastic in planning activities and experiences to keep the children excited, entertained and busy. Most of them have really loved it and had a great time.

The club has been greatly appreciated by our key worker parents.

National Assessments

As you will be aware, formal assessments such as the year 6 SATS, Key Stage 1 SATS, Year 1 Phonics etc, have been cancelled. The performance, progress and the ultimate attainment of pupils, will now be judged following a rigorous process of teacher assessment.

Doug Scholes (Head Teacher)



The Children have been busy, they made wooden crosses from sticks at Easter and made some super bug dens.



The children of our key workers have been busy in school making banners and scarecrows to say thankyou to the NHS and Key Workers across the country. Perhaps with all the spare time we have in lockdown, we could be thinking of ideas for the Halsall scarecrow festival later in the summer. It could be the biggest and best yet.

Doug Scholes



We are hoping to bring lots of smiles to people this year in these strange times. We want to have lots of Scarecrows on show throughout June.



Our Treasure Trail weekend will depend very much on Government restrictions so we cannot make any definite plans yet, but it doesn't stop us having a wonderful array of Scarecrows to cheer us all up.

So, please get your thinking caps on. Good idea to get one made whist in lockdown, especially good activity for children staying at home. Give it a go and spread a little happiness.

**REMEMBER -
MORE SCARECROWS = MORE
SMILES
and we could all do with plenty of
those!!**

**For further info or if you have any questions please contact -
Eleanor Wroe - elliwroe@hotmail.com
or Enid Banks enidbanks@aol.com**

Halsall Village Proud & Tidy Group



Not sure if the Best Kept village will go ahead this year, but Halsall is looking pretty good due to the help of a number of people. Brain Lloyd as always is out and about keeping the village neat and tidy.

We also have to say a big thank you to Andy Snaylam who has single-handedly provided and applied the paint on the railings of the canal bridge in Summerwood Lane. It's a big improvement. Well done Andy! Thank you.

Also a special thank you to Primrose Hill Garden Centre who donated wire netting which was used on the ramp into Bishops Walk. Much appreciated! Stay safe everyone!

**If you have any questions comments or ideas
please go to our Facebook page
Halsall Village Proud & Tidy Group**

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- 1st Charles P Mansbridge (Birthday)
- 2nd Henry Eric Kenyon (Birthday)
- 2nd Florrie Pilling (Birthday)
- 4th Dennis Stanley Markham
- 4th Marion Chadwick (Birthday)
- 5th Mary Critchley
- 7th Henry Serjeant (Birthday)
- 8th Lucy Proctor (Birthday)
- 9th Ian Holcroft (Birthday)
- 9th George Henry Porter
- 11th Doreen Porter
- 12th William Prescott
- 15th Marian Austin (Birthday)
- 20th John & Cissie Morris
- 21st Harold Dean
- 21st Gerald Musker
- 24th Marian Austin
- 27th Margaret Balshaw
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- 29th Joseph Huyton (Birthday)
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Coping with stress during the COVID-19 outbreak



It is normal to feel sad, stressed, confused, scared or angry during a crisis.

Talking to people you trust can help. Contact your friends and family.

If you must stay at home, maintain a healthy lifestyle - including proper diet, sleep, exercise and social contacts with loved ones at home and by email and phone with other family and friends.



Don't use smoking, alcohol or other drugs to deal with your emotions.

If you feel overwhelmed, talk to a health worker or counsellor. Have a plan, where to go to and how to seek help for physical and mental health needs if required.

Get the facts. Gather information that will help you accurately determine your risk so that you can take reasonable precautions. Find a credible source you can trust such as WHO website or, a local or state public health agency.



Limit worry and agitation by lessening the time you and your family spend watching or listening to media coverage that you perceive as upsetting.

Draw on skills you have used in the past that have helped you to manage previous life's adversities and use those skills to help you manage your emotions during the challenging time of this outbreak.



Gardener's Corner

May at-a-glance

May is, for me, one of the most exciting & loveliest months of the year in the garden, because you can see new flowers opening every time you step outdoors & the best of the year is still to come. Longer evenings and warmer weather brings out the gardener in all of us. Happy gardening.

General garden Tasks

Prepare the soil for bedding plants.

Keep on top of weeding & hoeing –its endless I know!

Watch out for and deal with pests using biological controls & organic remedies.

Feed established lawns if not done in April.

Pinch out any green shoots appearing on variegated trees & shrubs.

Tie in new growth of climbers & wall shrubs.

Clip beech, hornbeam, box & Leyland cypress late this month or early next. Cut privet.

Support perennials.

Divide clumps of primroses & polyanthus after flowering.

Continue deadheading & feeding spring-flowering bulbs.

Plant & train sweet peas. Plant tubs, troughs, window boxes & hanging baskets in the middle of this month at the earliest.

Sow swede, beetroot, maincrop carrots, peas, raddish & spring onion.

Direct-sow frost-tender vegetables, e.g. French & runner beans, sweetcorn & courgettes.

Plant out leeks.

Harvest overwintered onions.

Water soft fruit bushes with swelling fruit & newly planted fruit trees.

Protect strawberries from birds.

Continue to prick out seedlings, young plants & cuttings.

Continue hardening off bedding plants ready for end of month outdoor planting.

Plant tomatoes in early may & sweet peppers, chillies, melons & cucumbers late May.

Harvest baby potatoes.

Divide overgrown waterlilies in the pond.

Introduce new fish to the water garden now the weather is warmer.

Watch out for

Late frosts – protect with fleece.

Pests in the greenhouse & containers.

Plants in their Prime

Rhododendrons. Clematis `Nelly Moser`. Clematis Montana. Viburnum. Dianthus. Wisteria. Euphorbia. Geum. Lonicera. Corydalis. Rosa `Lutea`. Tree peonies. Chaenomeles. Cotoneaster. Kerria japonica. Potentilla. Sambucus Nigra. Spiraea. Caellia.



Tina Lloyd www.mosshousecottageplants.co.uk

A message from Ormskirk & Burscough Police

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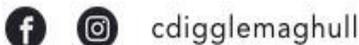
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or

Maureen Mills 01704 840160 Borough Councillor

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Please note that some businesses may charge for delivery

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BSA Foods, Ormskirk	01695 581867	Frozen food, pies, quiches, chilli, lasagne etc. Also dried foods.
Barn Owl Produce	07557 796867 07850 016556	Fruit & Veg
Bates Dairy	01704 567595	Milk, cheese, butter, drinks, yoghurts, bread, eggs etc
Birkdale Cheese Centre	01704 568822	Cheese and will pick up other things if they can source it.
Birkdale Health Shop	01704564353	Health Products
Broughs Butchers, Ainsdale	01704574069	Meats, etc
Cake Creations, Southport	01704 541137	Cakes
Cakes 4 You, Southport.	Carol 07780 356977	Cakes
Church View Farm, Lydiate	0151 520 2673	Fruit & Veg etc
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Halsall Garage	01704 841188	Groceries and Food from Kelli's Deli
Grimshaw lane Dairy	01695 577573 01695 572104	Dairy. Cannot accept any more new customers for deliveries.
J & A Japonicas, Formby	07511 177519	Plants
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Peet's Plaice, Southport	Kevin 01704 809340	Fish
Primrose Hill Nurseries, Scarisbrick	Ian 07862 275464	Gardening Supplies, shrubs, plants, equine products etc.
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We pride ourselves on the personal attention we give to all our guests, so that you can have peace of mind that your pet will be happy and safe here in our care.

Kennels: Large individual kennels with heated and insulated indoor sleeping areas, and attached outdoor covered exercise areas. Dogs are also allowed individual free running exercise twice a day in our exercise yard

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Resources

Our churches have a website, a Facebook page and a Twitter feed. Hopefully they will provide a gateway to those that already exist and an information resource for those wanting more information about our churches. Weekly Newsletters and service times should be uploaded regularly. If you are interested, please sign up to the Facebook group and Twitter feed. You might also like to make suggestions for content on our website and please let me know any errors you spot!



www.tsncs.church



Our new website provides links to the existing websites and the Church of England 'A Church Near You' Websites.



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The following websites are also recommended:

www.pray-as-you-go.org – a Jesuit resource of Daily Prayer set to music you can listen to.

www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-daily-prayer - C of E daily prayer
www.churchofengland.org/lent - C of E daily reflections for Lent

HALSALL DIRECTORY OF TRADES AND SERVICES

<p>ANIMAL CARE: Carr Moss Boarding Kennels and Cattery 01704 840384</p>	<p>GARDENING: Simon Bounds Gardener and Garden Maintenance. 01704840480 07832291080</p>
<p>ANIMAL CARE: Talley wags Pet sitting and dog walking etc. 01704 550154 or visit www.talleywagspetsitting.co.uk</p>	<p>JEWELLERS: Christopher Diggle Jewellers. 18, Westway Maghull. 0151 306 6225 www.christopherdiggle.com</p>
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<p>ANIMAL PORTRAITS: Spurwood Studio. Call Chris on 01704 841593. Facebook Spurwood Studio</p>	<p>MONUMENTAL STONEMASONS: West Lancashire Memorials. 01704 211133 or 07739 765580 email aspey1961@hotmail.co.uk</p>
<p>BUILDER: D J & J Wignall Construction and Maintenance 01704 841136</p>	<p>PLUMBING AND HEATING: Michael Wignall 01704 841136</p>
<p>CLEANING SERVICES: Simply Brilliant Cleaning Company. Rachael Carter, 07984 532243</p>	<p>POST OFFICE: Monday and Thursday afternoon. 2pm –4.30pm. Massams Supplies Ltd, Renacres Lane. 01704 840265.</p>
<p>DOG GROOMING: Country Cuts. 3 Drummersdale Lane, Scarisbrick. 07712698315</p>	<p>REFLEXOLOGY: The Old Bakery, Wheelwrights Wharf, Scarisbrick. 07739 802175 www.footreading.com</p>
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<p>FUNERAL DIRECTOR: MLS Independent Funeral Directors Ltd. 01695 424888</p>	<p>TRANSPORT: Dial-a Ride For booking and information: 01704 893373</p>
<p>GARDENING: Massams Supplies Ltd. Landscaping and gardening supplies. Renacres Hall Farm, Renacres Lane 01704 840265</p>	<p>UPHOLSTERY: Lancashire Upholstery 01704 535820</p>
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