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October 2017

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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

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

NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

NEW COUNCILLOR

The Council welcomed Patrick Bell who was co-opted at the meeting held on 13th September 2017.

There are still 2 vacancies so anyone interested in being co-opted should contact Dave Bond, Parish Clerk on 01704 534090 - email davebondhpc@aol.com

PLANNING

2017/0890/FUL - 14A New Cut Lane - Removal of Condition No. 8 imposed on planning permission 2014/0301/FUL relating to a scheme for the wildflower garden to allow the access road to extend further south to facilitate access to an adjacent development

PARKING

Can all residents please ensure when parking not to obstruct pavements or park in bus lay-bys. Pedestrians with prams and wheelchair users need to be able to use the pavement and you should allow enough room when parking to enable them to do so.

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.

Summerwood Lane Red Phone Box

The Council has decided to stock inside the phone box with books on top and excess plants below – more information to follow.

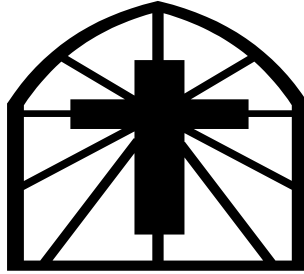
Parish Council Meetings

The next Parish Council Meeting will take place on Wednesday 11th October 2017 at 7.30 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 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 includes agendas and minutes of previous meetings.



Services in the United Benefice for October 2017

Sunday 1st October

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

Sunday 8th October – Harvest Sunday

8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	St Thomas'
9.30am	Harvest Festival School Service	St Cuthbert's
11.00am	Harvest CW Sung Eucharist	St Thomas'
6.00pm	Harvest Festival Evensong	St Cuthbert's

Sunday 15th October

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

Sunday 22nd October

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

Sunday 29th October

10.30am	United Benefice Service	
	CW Sung Eucharist	St Thomas'

Harvest FESTIVAL



Saturday 7th October

7:30pm – St Cuthbert’s Harvest Supper in the school hall.
Fun evening with turkey and ham supper, quiz and
entertainment. Bring your own drinks.
Tickets: £7.50 available from Pam Carr on 01695 423817 or
email: postmaster@acdfpamerc.plus.com

Sunday 8th October

9.30am - Family Service with the school
St Cuthbert's Church

6.00pm - United Benefice Harvest Celebration
St Cuthbert's Church

*Give Thanks to the Lord,
for He is good.
Psalm 107:1*



CHALICE ROTA**October 2017**

1 st October	Gwyn Williams	Ann Throp
8 th October	Beryl Sephton	Lynda Bramwell
15 th October	Diane Comfort	Lynda Bramwell
22 nd October	David Jessop	Lynda Bramwell
29 th October	Sarah Mitchell	Elaine Ayre

WARDENS AND SIDESPERSONS**October 2017**

	Warden	Deputy Warden	Sides Persons
1st	Lynda Bramwell	Anne Grimshaw	Beryl Sephton. Bill White
8th	Stephen Henders	David Jessop	Eileen Houlgrave. Ann Critchley
15th	Lynda Bramwell	Elaine Ayre	Tina Roberts. Kath Liddle
22nd	Stephen Henders	Colin Throp	Jim Critchley. Len Davidson
29th	Lynda Bramwell	David Jessop	Christine Jones. Rebecca Jones

CHURCH CLEANING ROTA**October 2017**

8th Oct	E Wroe	J Wroe J Rawsthorne	K Mudd B Knowles	S Jessop
22nd Oct	E Banks	N Donaldson S Roberts	M Webster	L Wilkinson



HALSALL BONFIRE PARTY

Saturday 4th November 2017

**Gates open 6PM
Fireworks 7.15pm**

**BBQ & HOT FOOD – GLOWIES – LIVE DJ-
SWEETS-CANDYFLOSS**

Adults £5 Children/Students £1

NO SPARKLERS PLEASE

**This is a fun event for all the family, come along and join us!
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village on the evening being respectful to local
residents.**

**With this in mind, if anyone locally has any access to local
areas such as fields or yards that could be used to increase
the parking capacity please
contact Halsall School.**

Many Thanks from Halsall School and the PTFA.

Report from Halsall St Cuthbert's C.E.

Church Links

We continue to strive to further strengthen our links with St Cuthbert's Church.

- Confirmation classes have now started and we have 20 children attending classes each week.
- Staff are now busy timetabling class visits to the church at the end of the day. These were very popular with parents last year.
- The Harvest Service is Sunday 8th October. The children will be taking the service. (9-30am start)
- Rev Paul continues to take a fortnightly worship and these are usually very special and lively occasions. The children love them.
- There is a School Eucharist Service - Thursday 14th December (to be confirmed) Everyone is welcome.

Admissions

The school is full and the new reception children are settling-in very well. They're a lovely group, they're so keen to learn and it'll be nice to see them develop over the next few years.

The demand for reception places starting September 2018, is likely to be very high. I cannot stress how important the "faith commitment" criteria may be. The Agreed Admissions Criteria can be found on both the school website and on the parents' notice board. If anyone would like to view the school with a view to making an application, please contact us.

Tel : 01704-840253 head@halsall.lancs.sch.uk

Standards

Our pupils continue to perform extremely well in the National Tests. Our attainment is consistently higher than the National Average and consistently higher than that in "Similar Schools".

We will try our very best to maintain this.

Early Years Good Level of Development (GLD) 77% (NA 67%)

Year 1 Phonics 95% (NA 57%)

Key Stage 1	Reading	91%	(NA 74%)
	Maths	100%	(NA 73%)
	Writing	87%	(NA 65%)

Key Stage 2	Reading	100%	(NA 66%)
	Maths	100%	(NA 70%)
	Writing	82%	(NA 74%)
	GAPS	100%	(NA 72%)

These are amazing results and are a result of consistently excellent teaching, excellent resourcing, a strong willingness from pupils to listen and learn and good support from parents.

Buildings and Grounds

Over the summer holidays the following works were carried out.

- Painting of the entrance area.
- Repair of Activity Trail equipment
- Electrical work from 5 year check
- New internal security measures
- Re-barking of the Activity Trail

Staffing

Mrs Harrison (Class L) is due to have her first child in November and Mrs Georgina Green (TA) is due to have her second child in December.

We are presently looking to appoint temporary staff to maintain our excellent provision.

Summer Carnival (Cowboys and Cowgirls)

Back in July, the carnival was a huge success and the PTFA raised over £2,500 on the day. Thanks to everyone who came along. It was a beautiful day and everyone seemed to have a fabulous time.

We've some great photos on the website if you wish to take a look.

Awards

At the Leavers' Service last July, the following prizes were awarded.

Edna Smerdon Key Stage 1 Achievement	Ava Kirkham
Adam Dunning Friendship Award	Rachel Latham
Sports Prize	Kristian Barker
Reading Prize	Katie Harrison
Whole School Achievement	Harry Bounds and Lucy Rugen
Staff Prize	Katie Fisher
Governors' Shield	Olivia Arrowsmith
Christian Character	Eve McLoughlin

Congratulations to the winners and to all those leavers in year 6 who did so amazingly well in the SATS. Very well done to them all.

Things to look forward to this term

Book Week - commences Monday 16th Oct

Dress-Up Day Thursday 19th Oct

Spooky Disco Friday 20th Oct

Art Week – commences Monday 30th October

PTFA Bonfire Night – Saturday 4th November

Parents' Evening Tuesday 7th November

Christmas Show - Tuesday 12th December 10-00am

Christmas Show - Wednesday 13th December 2-00pm

Christmas Show - Thursday 14th December 7-00pm

Reception Nativity - Friday 15th December 9-30am

Talent Show - Monday 18th December

Christmas Party – Tuesday 19th December

Break-Up for Christmas - Thursday 21st December 2-00pm

Return to school - Monday 8th January 2018

D Scholes (Head Teacher)

Why did such a small village build such an elaborate church?

At the time of the construction of the present Halsall church circa 1270, the population of England was about 3 million, but this had almost doubled in size since the Norman conquest in 1066. There occurred in England between 1150 and 1300 a great impetus in building new churches and it was the villages in natural stone areas like the Cotswolds, Somerset and Wiltshire where churches sprung up at an amazing rate. The areas where natural stone was less available, like those of the south west Lancashire plain, often needed stone imported and the building of these churches happened approximately half a century later. Much of this church building has been attributed to the rise in trade with the continent and especially the wool trade. English wool was at a premium and English cloth was being exported to continental fairs. Greater wealth was accumulated by landowners keeping larger flocks of sheep and that wealth gained, gave rise to some villages becoming towns and the building of the great wool churches like those of Suffolk and Lincolnshire. A village built a great parish church as a symbol of new parish community, wealth and pride. However it was not every village that had a wool trade, yet still parish churches were built and embellished. Halsall is a case in point, surrounded by marshes, if Halsall had a wool trade it was probably small. It begs the question then, where did the wealth come from to build such a large and ornate church in a small village like Halsall?

Halsall was a large parish and the Halsall family owned land from Maghull to Birkdale. The land remained in the ownership of the family for generations so the squire and tenant relationship was long established. Much of the land was very fertile agricultural land and best practices had been established by the monasteries at Burscough and also Amounderness who had owned some of the land previously. It has been suggested that the Halsall family (manorial lords) may have built the church, in the first instance, as a private chapel and gradually let villagers worship there on feast days and eventually allowed full public access. However Halsall was built to be the 'mother church' of a large area and was a very big project. It could not have been built without the work and co operation of villagers. It seems most likely that neighbouring rich families tried to outdo one another in the construction of parish churches and create one which was the envy of their neighbours. Halsall's octagonal tower is duplicated by Aughton and to some extent by Ormskirk.

Great pride was invested in churches by manorial lords and villagers alike and it may have been the same in Halsall.

Undoubtedly the presence of a thriving market town meant crops and livestock could be sold and bartered for profit. The Halsall family made a great deal of profit in local markets. They wanted the finest building and curiously the stone used on the church has no local connection so it was brought in at great expense from a quarry which has still not been identified. When builders wanted to match stone on the spire renovation in 2016/7 they had to go for Cumbrian stone to find a similar quality.

At the beginning of the 14th century Halsall's population could not have numbered more than 250. This was a time of deep unquestioning belief, when religion was the 'raison d'être' of life. Every person had a duty to attend mass on Sunday and questions were asked if this duty was not fulfilled. Concurrent with belief was almost a zeal to contribute to the church by deed, work or offering which, with the impetus of the construction, may often have gone beyond personal means. The zeal to construct and to contribute may have become almost a frenzy and this eagerness was tempered by the 'black death'. In 1349 the plague in England halted all building work and the work on Halsall Church stopped. Half of the population died and the plague was perceived as God punishing the sin of pride. Pride perhaps in building fine churches? Yet the church became richer because of the plague. Bequests were made to the church in the wills of rich victims of the plague. It was also after the 'black death' that the church started to charge for various services such as burials and marriages. Another way to make money was to charge for indulgences. An indulgence was a special devotion and meant that a deceased soul would spend less time in purgatory before entering Heaven. Special devotions often accrued a small fee, for example, the watch window onto the Easter sepulchre allowed locals to see the Easter shrine from the Chancel Arch on payment which gained them an Indulgence. Indulgences contributed to church income and it was this income which enabled the Chancel to be finished in the very elaborate style which made it one of the most beautiful in England.

Stephen Henders



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at
The Memorial Hall, Halsall Road.

Everyone attending the service is welcome to join us
afterwards



Halsall From the Registers

BAPTISMS

11th June 2017

William Ronnie Kenny

9th July 2017

Charlotte Jayne Hill

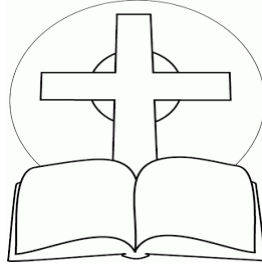
Elizabeth Florence Floweth

13th August

Harry James Cropper

Jake William Cropper

Harry Stewart Corlett



WEDDINGS

19th August 2017

Stephen Anthony Reid & Amanda Jane Williamson

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

OCTOBER

- | | |
|------|------------------------------------|
| 1st | Joan Halsall (Birthday) |
| 5th | Ken Mawdsley |
| 5th | Florence Atherton |
| 5th | Harold Dean (Birthday) |
| 7th | Richard Abram |
| 7th | Angela Hilton (Birthday) |
| 9th | Cyril James Bailey (Anniversary) |
| 10th | Harry Core (Remembrance) |
| 16th | Vivian Osmond Weights |
| 16th | Rebecca Gill |
| 18th | John Harold Grimshaw (Anniversary) |
| 19th | William Stopforth (Anniversary) |
| 21st | Roger Baldwin |
| 25th | Lillian Draper (Anniversary) |
| 27th | Cyril James Bailey (Birthday) |
| 28th | Richard Yule (Anniversary) |
| 31st | Walter Herbert Bullough |
| 31st | Sarah Ann Heaton (Anniversary) |



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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 Village Community News and Views	Various	E mail jomassam@hotmail.com
Halsall West End Cricket Club Junior Coaching Boys and Girls Year 3 to Year 6		Gary Southworth (Junior Players Coordinator) 07957731796 post4gjs@sky.com
Crown Green Bowling Club	Saracen's Head Halsall	Carole Toal 01695 577920 Charles Nason 01695 574073
Halsall Village Proud and Tidy 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

Club/Group	Meetings	Contact
Karate 7 years and over	Monday 6pm-8pm St Aiden's Hall Shirdley Hill	Graham Parsons 0151 531 7598 07745668129
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
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Beavers	Tuesday 6.30-7,30pm St Cuthbert's School	Barbara Threlfall 07817 382221
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Gardener`s Corner

October at-a-glance

One big benefit of autumn is that it is the start of a brand new season with a pattern all of its own. We have the rich tapestry of autumn colours and late flowers to look forward to - low orange colour of an Indian summer and refreshing evenings with a nip in the air. Happy gardening.

General garden tasks.

Tidy borders lightly, clear weeds & cut down flower stems

Compost all green rubbish

Make a new lawn by laying turf

Reduce mowing

Carry out autumn lawn care

Plant container grown trees & shrubs, climbers & roses

Plant bare-root plants at the end of the month, providing the ground is ready

Check tree ties in windy weather

Prune late flowering climbing roses & repeat –flowering old-fashioned roses

Take hardwood cuttings of roses towards the end of the month

Pot up cuttings taken in the summer

Trim privet hedges

Remove fallen leaves from the crowns of plants to prevent rotting

Lift tender perennials & bulbs

Once the veg patch is cleared, carry out winter digging

Cut down asparagus foliage

Plant spring cabbage & over wintering onion sets

Plant garlic towards the end of the month or next month

Pot up herbs for winter use

Pick apples & pears for storing mid-month

Prepare for new fruit trees & plant if conditions allow

Have a good clear out of the greenhouse & prepare for the cold weather

Reduce the amount of water given to greenhouse plants as the nights get colder

Have a pond clear out: cut down any dead & decaying leaves.

Watch out for

First frosts

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