

# HALSALL NEWS



**April 2023**

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**WE MEET 2ND WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH**  
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***May 2023 MAGAZINE***

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## THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST.CUTHBERT, HALSALL

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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.

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If you require the ramps to be put over the steps in order to gain access to church services or to visit the graveyard, please ring to arrange a mutually agreeable time.

Elaine Ayre 07896 301322



### CHURCH CLEANING ROTA

April 2023

9th April	<b>E Banks</b>	M Webster M Cheetham	L Wilkinson	S Roberts
23rd April	<b>M Mills</b>	K Twist	C Moss	



## The Rector Writes

Here we are again at that beautiful time of year, when we can sense new life emerging and the longer, warmer days encourage us to look up and out, despite the recent snow. It's that time of year when we are faced with mountains of Easter Eggs, Easter bunnies and Easter chicks everywhere we look.

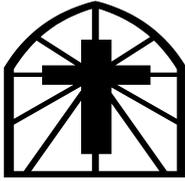
This will be my first Halsall and Lydiate Easter and after a roller coaster year it seems to me the message of Easter is more important and more profound than ever. If these last few years has shown us anything it has shown the stark reality that Easter Day cannot be separated from the uncertainty and anguish of Holy Week, no matter how hard we try.

It is right that we celebrate the amazing achievements of so many people who work to build up our communities, keep us safe and ensure all are able to flourish. But we must not forget or dismiss the struggles of those for whom the current pressures mean they are constantly questioning how they will survive another day. Nor should we forget the tragic deaths of so many in war and natural disasters or the ongoing impact of COVID on the world's economy and the associated suffering being endured by so many as a consequence.

The Christian faith is neither one of deepest despair at sin and the horror of what it does in human lives, nor is it a constant celebration of God's love and saving power. It embraces both. Jesus' death without his resurrection is simply another tragic and untimely death. Equally, resurrection without recognising the cost paid by Jesus in both the manner of his death and its reality diminishes the profound and unique sacrifice made by God in order to restore our relationship with Him. It is an amazing if profoundly disturbing claim. Why not join us at one of our services over the coming month and ponder what it means for you and your family?

Jesus Christ died and rose from the grave for you and me  
Lets give thanks with grateful and humble hearts.

**Susan**



## **Sunday Services in the United Benefice for April 2023**

A chance to create a bit of space in our busy lives to reflect on what the death and resurrection of Jesus means to us and the world today.

### **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April -Palm Sunday**

- 8.00am St Thomas' BCP Holy Communion  
9.30am St Cuthbert's BCP Holy Communion  
& Church Without Walls  
11.00am St Thomas' CW Eucharist

### **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April**

- 7.00pm St Cuthbert's Said Holy Communion

### **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April**

- 7.00pm St Thomas' Said Holy Communion

### **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April – Maundy Thursday**

- 7.00pm St Thomas CW Holy Communion & Vigil until 10pm

### **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April – Good Friday**

- 11.00am Walk of Witness starting at Our Lady's  
and finishing at St Thomas'  
2.00pm St Cuthbert's Good Friday devotions

### **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Saturday**

- 7.30pm St Cuthbert's Easter vigil

### **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Sunday**

- 8.00am St Thomas' BCP Holy Communion  
9.30am St Cuthbert's CW Family Eucharist  
with refreshments after the service  
11.00am St Thomas' CW Family Eucharist  
with refreshments after the service

### **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Second Sunday of Easter**

8.00am St Thomas' BCP Holy Communion  
9.30am St Cuthbert's CW Eucharist  
11am St Thomas CW Eucharist

### **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – Third Sunday of Easter**

8.00am St Thomas' BCP Holy Communion  
9.30am St Cuthbert's BCP Eucharist  
11am St Thomas CW Eucharist

### **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April- Fourth Sunday of Easter**

8.00am St Thomas' BCP Holy Communion  
9.30am St Cuthbert's CW Eucharist  
followed by the Annual Parish meetings  
11am St Thomas CW Eucharist

Looking ahead why not come and join our churches to Mark the Coronation on Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup> when we pray for the newly consecrated King and Queen.

Look out for invitation to join in the Church's birthday party on May 28<sup>th</sup>.

**A warm invitation is extended to everyone to join us at any of our United Benefice Services.**



## **CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS**

We are looking for more volunteers to join our small band of Cleaners.

It is not hard work, just dusting, and hoovering. Your commitment would be one hour, every 6 weeks. Please come and join us to keep our church looking beautiful.

**If you are interested please contact**

Pam Carr on 01695 423817 or email [pam.carr1974@outlook.com](mailto:pam.carr1974@outlook.com)

# SANCTUARY LIGHTS



## APRIL

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  
 23rd Lawrence Baldwin (Anniversary)  
 27th Gladys May Core (Birthday)  
 29th Harriet Louise Rimmer (Birthday)



## WARDENS AND SIDESPERSIONS

April 2023

	Warden	Deputy Warden	Sides persons
2nd April	Elaine Ayre	Anne Grimshaw	Eileen Houlgrave Gwen Williams
9th April	Pam Carr	Angela Webster	Elaine Ayre Philip Banks
16th April	Elaine Ayre	John Wroe	Eleanor Wroe Enid Banks
23rd April	Pam Carr	Colin Throp	Beryl Sephton Len Davidson
30th April	Elaine Ayre	Angela Webster	Bill Banks John Wroe

# Supporting St Cuthbert's Church

Our website, [www.halsallstcuthberthub.co.uk](http://www.halsallstcuthberthub.co.uk), contains information about services and events, archive material including historic school records, up to date Parish Magazines as well as those dating back to the 1800's. The website provides links to the Parish Giving Scheme, the Friends of St Cuthbert's Scheme and how to contact us.

## ***How to Donate***

Regular donations and "one off" donations can now both be made via our Parish Giving Scheme. You can choose how regularly, how much and whether your donation can be gift aided. Your gift will then be passed directly to St Cuthbert's. You can scan the following QR code to make a donation or search using the following web address.

## **Scan to access the Parish Giving Scheme**



Donations can also be made in Church either on the plate during our services or by using our "Goodbox" electronic payment system which is located close to the entrance (opposite the font).

Or [www.parishgiving.org.uk](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk)

## **Friends of St Cuthbert's**

If you would like to join our friends scheme there is a link to the forms on our website home page. All funds raised through the scheme are directed specifically towards the repair and maintenance of the Church and grounds. There is a minimum donation of £20 per year but you can choose how much and how regularly you would like to donate.

Further information can be obtained by contacting us via our e mail address: [info@halsallstcuthberthub.co.uk](mailto:info@halsallstcuthberthub.co.uk)

Thank you so much for your support.

**Halsall School and The Learning Tree Children's Nursery  
and Pre-School**

On Tuesday 14th March a meeting was held with our new Rector Rev Dr Susan Salt and representatives from the school governors, the PCC and nursery. We had a really productive meeting where we shared our common appreciation for the community asset that Mrs Wincup and her team have created for the nursery in its new setting in the Parish Centre.

We are pleased to be in accord on how the space can serve both the nursery and the needs of the PCC. We look forward to working together to finalise the details of our common understanding in the next few months.

For more information please speak to headteacher of St Cuthbert's School, Doug Scholes, the Rector, Susan Salt or manager of the nursery, Deborah Wincup.

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# Halsall St Cuthbert's Primary

## April Report

### **Swimming Success**

The swimming team competed at the WLPSSA gala for small school recently. The children did brilliantly and were tied for the Gold Medal with only the boys' team relay to go. The boys won that last event and with that the gala. Gold medals all round. A big thanks to all the parents who helped with transport and especially to Mrs Dunne who helped organize the teams and supervise on the night. Halsall St Cuthbert's has now won the gala for the 5th year in succession, a really fabulous achievement. Well done to the team : Liam Murphy, Mila Cousins, Eva Gill, Heath Carpenter, Harvey Banks, Ayda Crilly, Evie Smith, August Rankin and Poppy Bedwell.

### **Exciting Times**

The staff are always trying to make school as enjoyable and exciting as possible.

Recently we've had weekly Forest School experiences for the reception class, a Child Invention Day, a Victorian Day, Year 5 Bike Fix, a Big Book Swap, toast week and lots of inter-school sport.

One class visited Jodrell Bank last week, one spent a day at the Blue Planet, one at Martin Mere and future visits are planned for Blackpool Zoo, Southport Beach and Tatton Hall. We've also got lots of parents and family coming in to school to sometimes talk about their jobs and sometimes talk about their hobbies and interests. The older children are finding this absolutely fascinating.

### **Staffing**

Mrs Clare Harrison (Reception) has now returned from her period of maternity leave. A big thanks to Mrs Sue Wilson who taught the Reception class in her absence.

I'm sorry to announce that Mrs Caroline King will be leaving Halsall at the end of April. Her family is relocating to the Peak District. Mrs King has been a very hard working and committed member of staff at Halsall St Cuthbert's for over 15 years and she will be very hard to replace. We wish her well on her new and exciting adventure.

## **Mothers' Day Services**

The school celebrated Mothers' Day with a special Friday service in church in mid March. It was really nice for Reverend Susan to meet with the children and their families and it was a lovely occasion. I'm sure that the mums felt appreciated at the end there were quite a few tears shed.

Children from Halsall St Cuthbert's also helped with the special Mothering Sunday Service at the weekend. Again, the children sang their hearts out and were a credit to the school.

## **Admissions 2024**

One of the admission criteria (3) for Halsall St Cuthbert's each September is related to a parent's faith commitment. This is measured through the frequency of church attendance at 2 levels.

A) At least twice monthly church attendance over a period of at least the last twelve months prior to 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

B) Regular (monthly equivalent) church attendance over a period of at least the last twelve months prior to 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

To record a family's attendance in support of any application (into the Reception year) Rev Susan has devised a special Attendance Card. This can be signed each time a parent attends the main service at St Cuthbert's Church. Attendance cards can be obtained from the school office.

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A full job description is available on the Halsall Parish Council website <https://halsallparish.org.uk/information/misc/>

All applications should be made in writing and submitted to the Chair of Halsall Parish Council, St Aidans Hall, Renacres Lane, Halsall L39 8SF or by email to [andytimon0@gmail.co.uk](mailto:andytimon0@gmail.co.uk) no later than 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023.

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For further information, please contact

Lynda Hodge on 07435 971762

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<b>Halsall Village Proud &amp; Tidy Group</b>	Various working parties around the village.	Eleanor Wroe 01704 841216 Or Enid Banks 01704 567654
<b>Saracen's Head Crown Green Bowling Club</b>	Various. contact Lynda for details.	Lynda Hodge 07435 971762
<b>Ormskirk &amp; District Lions Club</b>	Charity supporting local causes. Looking for new members.	Sylvia Corfield 01704 840705
<b>St Cuthbert's Church</b>	Services 9.30am every Sunday .	Parish office 0151 526 2292
<b>FROG Friends of Shirdley Hill Village Green</b>	9.30am Tuesdays & Fridays	01704 840607
<b>Jigsaw Library</b> Its free to join and free to borrow.	We ask for a dona- tion of a jigsaw then you can borrow as often as you like.	Sue Charnock <a href="#">Facebook Page</a>
<b>Halsall Badminton Club</b>	Halsall School Thursday 7.30pm	Jim 01704 840908 Margaret 01704 840305

If there are any community groups, social groups, sports groups or well being groups starting up let me know and I can add them to the 'What's On' section.

Chris Pyne 01704 841467 or [chrispyne@gmail.com](mailto:chrispyne@gmail.com)

## **NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Planning**

2022/1318/FUL Renacres Hall Farm, Renacres Lane. Proposed canopy to front elevation with entrances porch for covered display.

2023/0140/FUL 68 Summerwood Lane. Retrospective approval for a canopy on rear extension

2023/0016/FUL Ollery Hall Farmhouse, Plumpton Lane. Demolition of greenhouse, garage and part of outrigger, erection of new garage.

### **Defibrillators**

North West Ambulance Service has serviced both defibrillators (Memorial Hall and Heathey Lane Bus Stop). These are now fit for service until 2025 when they should be replaced.

### **Report from Traffic & Road Safety Group**

Royal Mail have agreed to relocate the Renacres Lane post box to Morris Lane as recommended by Lancashire County Council Highways. Waiting for notification that proposed changes to the junction will be included in LCC Highways budget for 2023/24.

### **News about our Staff and Councillors**

The Council will consider applications for voluntary co-opted Councillor at the April meeting. Any one interested in joining the Council should submit a written CV application to Parish Clerk. (halsallparishclerk@gmail.com).

The Council is advertising a vacancy for post of Parish Clerk, details available on Parish website [halsallparish.org.uk](https://halsallparish.org.uk) Closing date 21st April

### **St Aidan's Hall Committee**

The Council wishes to thank West Lancashire Heritage Fund for a donation of £1000 towards improvements at St Aidans Hall and a local resident who paid for replacement of the kitchen floor. Also thanks to the volunteers who are now planning to redecorate the Hall. Anyone wishing to help the committee should contact Cllr Noel McCarthy-Thomason

### **Parish Council Meetings**

The next Parish Council Meeting will take place at 7:30pm Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at Memorial Hall, Halsall Road. Halsall.

**The Parish Council Website** [halsallparish.org.uk](https://halsallparish.org.uk) includes agendas and minutes of previous meetings.

Cllr Elizabeth Wright, Chair Halsall Parish Council 07817 056145  
Chris Pyne – Acting Halsall Parish Council Clerk 01704 841467

## The Chorley Guild Choir are to Present a Summer Concert

At St Andrews Parish Church, Maghull on 1<sup>st</sup> July 23 at. 7.00 pm

The **Guild Singers** (formed in 1980) is a mixed voice choir of about 40 singers who perform about three concerts a year. Mostly these take place in St. Laurence's church in Chorley.

The choir was formed with the aim of singing the whole range of music both accompanied and a Capella; from the renaissance music of Byrd and Tallis to great oratorios such as Mendelssohn's "Elijah" and Handel's "Messiah". More recent performances have included the Sunrise Mass by Ola Gjeilo, Howard Goodall's Requiem, and Paul Mellor's Stabat Mater.

We have also sung for Evensong at Blackburn cathedral. On the lighter side we enjoy singing a wide variety of arrangements of well-known Pop and Jazz standards.

Tickets £10 ring Sylvia 01704 840705 or Jimmy on 07779 143176

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## West Lancashire Borough Council Boundary Changes

West Lancs Borough Council has reduced its number of councillors so Halsall ward has been amalgamated with neighbouring wards of Haskayne, Downholland, Scarisbrick, Great Altcar etc into a new larger ward called Rural West.

For the elections on **Thursday 4th May** there will be an opportunity to vote for 3 councillors to represent Rural West rather than vote for a single Halsall councillor.

The usual polling station are booked ; St Aidans Hall on Renacres Lane and Memorial Hall in Halsall.

The government has introduced a requirement to show photo ID before voting but WLBC are considering applying for an exemption to this new rule.

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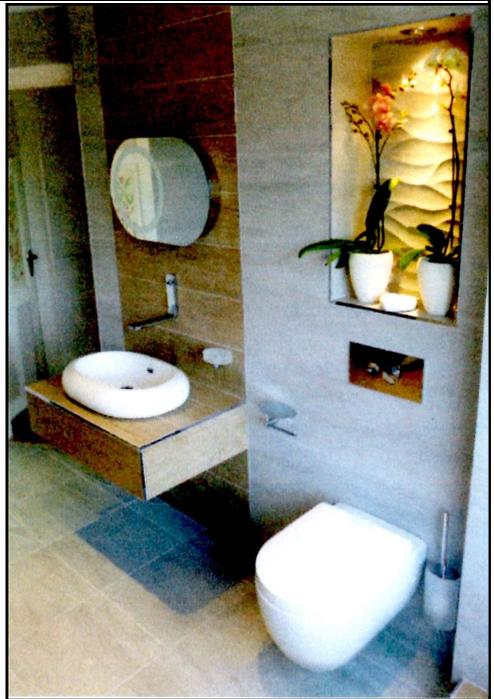
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### HALSALL WAR MEMORIAL PLAYING FIELD & HALL

The Trust is an independent self-funding charity that manages the Memorial Hall and Playing Field. The Trust would like to thank West Lancashire Heritage Association for a donation of £1000. Also like to thank John and Jimmy from Halsall Proud and Tidy who removed the shelter from the grounds which was not cost effective to repair.

The Annual Open Meeting of the Halsall War Memorial Playing Field and Hall will be on Wednesday 3rd May at 7.30pm.

On Sundays, Halsall FC play at 11:00 and Southport WFC play at 14:00, so for home matches the car park will be very busy. Please do not obstruct residents' access along Cross Lane.

The noticeboard has a weekly list of events.

Chris Pyne	Secretary	01704 841467
Liz Wright	Chair	07817 056145

## Halsall Proud & Tidy Group



Many thanks to Conor Edwards for organising our volunteers to take part in the Great British Litter Pick. We collected plenty of litter which WLBC collected the following day. .

If you couldn't make it this time then there will be another chance to help by coming along to the Coronation Litter Pick planned for Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May following the village celebrations that weekend. There will be a competition that day to see who can make the best crown out of recycled items. In the meantime please help by picking up any new litter you see whilst out and about. Every little helps!



Lancashire Best Kept Village Competition judging begins on 1<sup>st</sup> June and we are hoping we can maintain the high standard we have earned over the last few years thanks to your help. Please keep up the good work.

One of our aims for this Spring is to plant some shrubs in the 12 planters which Brian very kindly made and placed around the village last year. The plan is to use some small evergreen shrubs to give variety to the planters and then add a few colourful bedding plants in the Summer and some bulbs for early Spring for a flash of colour.



We are very pleased to announce that Sue Beacon of Rainbag Cottage, Carr Moss Lane is very kindly opening her garden for visitors on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May and & 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Sue is a member of The Royal Horticultural Society and a supporter of our Proud & Tidy Group. You are invited to come along to look round and enjoy tea and cakes provided by our group.

**Date for your Diary** We are looking for volunteers on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May to help plant the beautiful red begonias which brighten up the Church pathway all summer. Full details in the May newsletter.

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### **April at-a-glance**

April is the month when the blossom is out in force with everything from flowering cherries to garden fruit trees all making a beautiful show. Mild April weather can make you think summer is here but sharp frosts can still catch you out. Be careful not to plant out tender plants yet unless you can cover with fleece. Enjoy mild sunny days – spring is just around the corner.

### **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 alpine & 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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09:27 (Hospital)	09:33	09:43	09:49	10:08
11:45 (Lord St)	12:03	12:13	12:19	12:38
13:45 (Lord St)	14:03	14:13	14:19	14:38
16:30 (Lord St)	16:48	16:58	17:04	17:23
Ormskirk	Haskayne	Halsall	Shirdley Hill	Southport
08:40	08:59	09:05	09:15	09:22 (Hospital)
10:45	11:04	11:10	11:20	11:40 (Lord St)
12:45	13:04	13:10	13:20	13:40 (Lord St)
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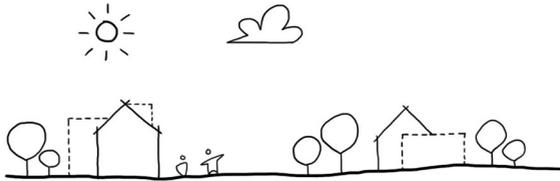


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