

HALSALL NEWS



MAY 2014

New Halsall Website

A new website is currently being developed for the benefit of residents in and around Halsall...

Due to a decision by Lancashire County Council to withdraw the hosting of the existing website at www.halsallparishcouncil.com a new website, which will retain some of the previous content including the agendas, minutes and planning applications will be available to view at www.halsallparish.com

4 Corners Design, who is managing and designing the website, would like to encourage the residents of Halsall to be involved in the new website in terms of providing news, information, events, photographs and other items that they think would benefit our local community. The company would also welcome any feedback on the design and how the website could be improved.

For further information please email enquiries@halsallparish.com

JUNE 2014 MAGAZINE

Closing date for Articles; Monday 19th May

Contributions by Email only to the editor

Chris Birks at

enquiry@4cornersdesign.co.uk

Closing date for Adverts: Friday 16th May to

dianemarsh60@gmail.com

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The Rectory

Church Lane

Lydiate

L31 4HL

Phone: 0151 526 0512

Email: frpaul.robinson@btinternet.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.

Support Our Soldiers is a charity who send Shoe Boxes to our troops in Afghanistan and raise monies to help injured troops and their families. Their campaign is an all year round one. If you would like to know more about this charity they can be contacted by e-mail at southport@supportoursoldiers.co.uk

**HALSALL PARISH COUNCIL
WE MEET 2ND WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH
AT ST AIDANS & THE MEMORIAL HALLS ALTERNATELY
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John Stephenson	01704 840635	
David Bridge	01704 840504	
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David Jessop	01704 840888	
Dave Bond	07837787525	Parish Clerk

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Sunday Services in the United Benefice for May 2014

Sunday 4th May – Easter 3

8.00am	BCP Communion	St Thomas'
9.30am	BCP Communion + Hymns	St Cuthbert's
11.15am	CW Sung Eucharist	St Thomas'

Sunday 11th May – Easter 4

8.00am	BCP Communion	St Thomas'
9.30am	CW Sung Eucharist	St Cuthbert's
11.15am	CW Sung Eucharist	St Thomas'

Sunday 18th May – Easter 5

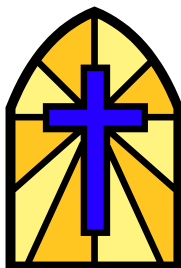
8.00am	BCP Communion	St Thomas'
9.30am	BCP Communion + Hymns	St Cuthbert's
11.15am	CW Sung Eucharist	St Thomas'

Sunday 25th May – Easter 6

8.00am	BCP Communion	St Thomas'
9.30am	Parade Eucharist + Baptisms	St Cuthbert's
11.15am	CW Sung Eucharist	St Thomas'

Mid-Week Services in the United Benefice for May 2014

	Wednesday 7 th May	NO SERVICE
	Wednesday 14 th May	NO SERVICE
Wednesday 21 st May	10.00am	St Thomas' Church
Wednesday 28 th May	10.00am	St Thomas' Church



The Reader Writes...

To be chosen for something special can mean a great deal, anything from being chosen for a school play to being asked to be best man or a Godparent. We all like to feel needed, to feel special. Well it would be hard to think of a more important and amazing privilege than being asked to be mother to the Son of God. Mary must have amazed, frightened and yet ultimately willing to say yes to God. She would have wondered what the future held. Had Mary known of the hardships and heartbreak that saying yes to God would bring, would she have still said yes to God? Well on reflection I believe she would.

However most people after saying yes to God and on becoming the Mother of the Living God would have expected great privilege and special treatment. Probably a life of ease, free from many of the worries and stresses of life. How very different life turned out to be. Probably ostracized as a woman pregnant before marriage, in a society where such behavior could be punished by stoning to death. Forced to give birth in a stable and then to flee as a refugee to Egypt. Then ultimately forced to watch her beloved son die a horrific death on the cross as he poured out his life for mankind. Did Mary wonder perhaps why when she had said yes to God, life was so hard?

We often get angry with God when events in our own lives don't go according to the way we think they should. When illness, loss of employment or bereavement shatter our well-ordered lives. We sometimes question why a loving God lets bad things happen to good people.

Being a Christian makes us special but doesn't mean that we are going to always have an easy life and it's when things go wrong that we can begin to question our faith. This is natural but we can be assured that our loving Heavenly Father is with us in the good and bad times in our lives just as he was with Mary and all those disciples who have followed Jesus in the last 2000 years. In my purse I carry a small card which quotes some words of St Francis de Sales. I pray that these may comfort you as they do me.

Wishing you every blessing. Glen.

Do not look forward to what might happen tomorrow: The same everlasting Father who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow and every day. Either he will shield you from suffering or He will give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace, then, and put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginings.



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Ladies Evening
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Wednesday 28th May 2014
In the Marquee Room at Halsall School
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NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

PROJECTS

St Aiden's Refurbishment

New loft insulation to be installed in the near future.

New Website (halsallparish.com) will hopefully be available to view by the end of May.

PLANNING

Planning Applications: 2014/0174/FUL – Halsall Hall Farm, Carr Moss Lane - The demolition of the vacant, modern agricultural structure and the erection of 7No. New build detached residential units with associated parking and amenity space.

Decisions: 2013/1220/FUL - Land Opposite 3, Willow Brook - Erection of 1 no. detached dwelling with detached garage and potting shed – Permission granted.

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

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

For information and the latest news visit:

<http://www.lancashire.police.uk/neighbourhood/halsall>

REPORT ATTEMPTED CRIME AND SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES

A number of thefts have been reported recently.

The police have asked the Council to remind residents to report attempted crimes, even if this results in no loss to anyone.

If you observe anyone acting suspiciously (including possible bogus callers) or if you are uncertain as to whether you should be reporting something dial 101 to let them know so that the police can take preventative action if necessary.

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.

NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL Continued

WORKING GROUPS

The Council are looking to establish a number of Working Groups to undertake research in the following areas:

3 D Seismic Survey – A Working Group has already been established but if you feel that you have some expertise that might help and wish to participate please contact Dave Bond (Parish Clerk)

Transportation / Traffic and Road Safety – There is an urgent need to address the problem of the rerouting of the 300 bus service and to determine the course of action.

Flood Risk Management/Surface Water/Sewerage and Drainage

Individual groups would do the research and report back to the Parish Council with the information and possibly recommendations of how to proceed so that the Council can make informed decisions.

Parish Council Meetings

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 14th May 2014 at 7.30 pm at The Memorial Hall, Halsall Road, Halsall.

Please note that no audio, video recording or photographs of the meeting are allowed without the express approval of the Council.

Contact Dave Bond, Parish Clerk on 01704 534090 or email davebondhpc@aol.com in advance of the meeting to seek permission.

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

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

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

MAY 2014

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
 24th Marian Austin
 27th Margaret Balshaw
 27th Annie Sumner
 29th Joseph Huyton (Birthday)
 31st John Johnson



CHURCH CLEANING ROTA FOR MAY/JUNE 2014

4th May	E Banks L Wilkinson C Parry	N Harbinson C Meehan	M Webster D Backhouse
18th May	A Critchley K Orrit	P Waterworth S Waterworth	K Twist G Ennis
1st June	P Carr A Grimshaw	E Houlgrave J Showering	E Carr S Lloyd
15th June	B Knowles K Mudd	E Wroe S Jessop	J Quinn
29th June	E Banks L Wilkinson	N Harbinson C Meehan	M Webster D Backhouse



C Parry

WARDENS AND SIDESPERSONS



MAY 2014

DATE	WARDEN	SIDESPERSIONS	
4th May	Mike Hilton	Peter Aynsley	Anne Cushion
11th May	Lynda Bramwell	Elaine Ayre	Philip Banks
18th May	Malcolm Serjeant	Christine Jones	Paul Goldstraw
25th May	Brian Heaton	Bill Banks	John Wroe
31st May	Mike Hilton	Bill White	Beryl Sephton

HALSALL FROM THE REGISTERS

February 2014

FUNERALS

7th February 2014
Edna Marshall

March 2014

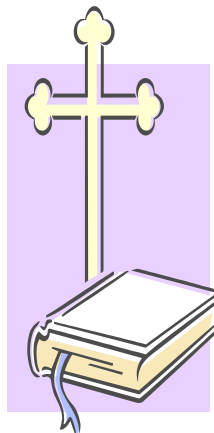
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9th March 2014
Ella Grace Sarah Green

FUNERALS

10th March 2014
Anthony 'Tony' Bulteel

12th March 2014
Mildred Patience Looker



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For more information please contact

Fran Robinson 01704 841187

Or

Betty Knowles 01704 840611



FRACKING YES OR NO?

TESLA EXPLORATION INTERNATIONAL LTD. HAVE ADVISED HALSALL PARISH COUNCIL THAT THEY WILL SHORTLY BE CARRYING OUT A "3D" SEISMIC SURVEY IN HALSALL ON BEHALF OF AURORA ENERGY RESOURCES LTD. WHO HOLD PETROLEUM EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT LICENCE NO. 164. IN THEIR LETTER THEY HAVE ADVISED THAT THIS WILL LAST FOR APPROX. 4 WEEKS AND WILL INVOLVE THE LAYING OUT OF AN ARRAY OF GEOPHONES (RECORDING DEVICES) ACROSS THE SURVEY AREA AND THE RECORDING OF REFLECTED SIGNALS GENERATED FROM AN ARRAY OF SEISMIC SOURCES. THE SOURCES ARE GENERATED BY "SMALL" BURIED CHARGES OR BY SPECIALISED TRACTOR-LIKE VEHICLES FITTED WITH VIBRATING PLATES. THIS IS TO PROGRESS AURORA' S TECHNICAL UNDERSTANDING OF THE LICENCE AREA PRIOR TO MAKING ANY APPLICATION FOR FUTURE EXPLORATORY DRILLING.

AURORA AND TESLA HAVE BOTH WRITTEN TO THE PARISH COUNCIL AND INVITED QUESTIONS. THE PARISH COUNCIL HAS SET UP A WORKING GROUP TO CONSIDER AND REPORT UPON A RESPONSE TO THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THESE LETTERS. THIS HAS BEEN DELIVERED TO THE PARISH COUNCIL FOR DISCUSSION AT THEIR MEETING ON 9TH APRIL 2014. THE WORKING PARTY IS COLLATING FEEDBACK ON THIS NEWS AND WOULD BE GLAD TO HEAR FROM RESIDENTS WHO MAY HAVE QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS IN THIS CONNECTION. PLEASE CONTACT THE WORKING GROUP:

TEL: 07542688744

EMAIL: halsallworkinggroup@fastmail.fm

FURTHER DETAILS:

TESLA HAVE EXPLAINED THAT THE SURVEY IS PART OF AURORA'S ONGOING APPRAISAL OF THE AREA FOR POTENTIAL HYDROCARBON (OIL AND GAS) RESERVES.

THEY HAVE ADVISED THAT THEIR SURVEY WILL BE CONDUCTED BETWEEN 0730-1730 HRS 7 DAYS A WEEK AND, DAYLIGHT HOURS PERMITTING, THEY WOULD WISH TO EXTEND THE WORKING DAY BEYOND 1730HRS "SHOULD IT BE DEEMED NECESSARY". THE SURVEY UNIT WILL COMPRISE 4 30 TONNE TO 6 ATV UNITS, AND 2 TRANSIT VANS. THEY INTEND TO DEVELOP A SURVEY GRID NETWORK OF THE AREA AND THE DEPTH OF THE DEEPLY BURIED ROCK LAYERS WILL BE DETERMINED BY RECORDING THE TIME IT TAKES FOR "SMALL" BURIED EXPLOSIVE CHARGES OR VIBRATING TRACTOR UNITS, TO BE REFLECTED OFF THE VARYING ROCK INTERFACES BACK TO THE SURFACE WHERE THEY WILL BE DETECTED AND RECORDED.

SHOULD THE SURVEY BE ENCOURAGING IT IS LIKELY THAT AURORA WILL SEEK PLANNING PERMISSION TO DRILL "ONE OR TWO" EXPLORATORY WELLS.



An exploratory well in Hesketh Bank

RESIDENTS SHOULD BE AWARE THAT IF THIS GOES AHEAD IT COULD POSSIBLY LEAD TO A PROCESS KNOWN AS "HYDRAULIC FRACTURING" OR "FRACKING" IN HALSALL.

THE PARISH COUNCIL HAS, OF COURSE, SET OUT MANY QUESTIONS FOR AURORA AND TESLA (ALSO LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL AND WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL). PLEASE WATCH THE HALSALL NEWS FOR FURTHER UPDATES AND FEEL FREE TO CONTACT THE WORKING GROUP OR YOUR COUNCILLORS IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

Did You Know?

If you wish to access a reception place for your child at Halsall St Cuthbert's, it may be useful to familiarise yourself with the School Admissions Criteria.

To increase the chances of gaining a place at the school, parents/carers can become involved in the worship and mission of The United Benefice of Ss. Cuthbert and Thomas, Halsall, Lydiate and Downholland.
(Please refer to the criteria on the website)

For admission in
September 2015

Parents/carers may wish to consider initiating and then developing church involvement for the 12 month period prior to the Admissions Committee meeting in the Spring Term 2015. That time starts now!



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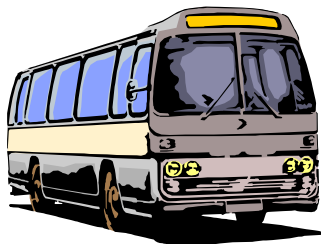
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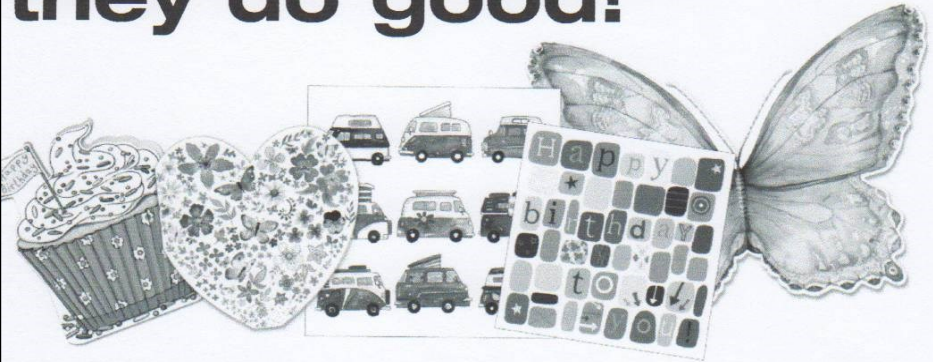
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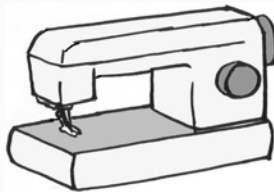
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May at-a-glance

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, main crop carrots, peas, radish & 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 water lilies 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

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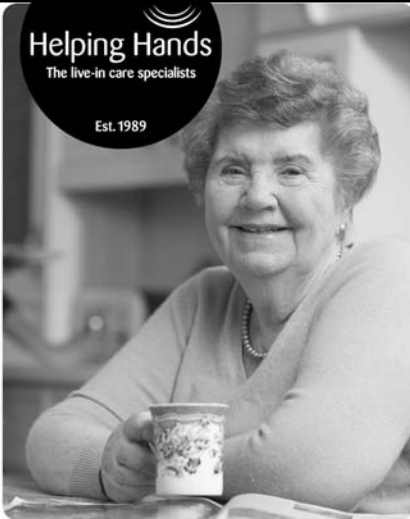
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