

**A reminder of what's to come in
addition to our Sunday worship...**

OCTOBER

- 1 Thursday service and lunch Noon
- 4 Communion with All Saints at Hollinfare 10.30
- 23 School closes for half term
- 24 Coffee morning 10-12

School Harvest and Sunday Harvest services to be finalised.

NOVEMBER

- 1 Shared Communion at All Saints 10.30
- 1 All Souls service 4.0
- 3 School reopens
- 5 Thursday service and lunch Noon
- 8 Remembrance service at War Memorial 10.50
- 9 Parochial Church Council meeting 2.0
- 28 Coffee morning 10-12

DECEMBER

- 3 Thursday service and lunch Noon
- 6 Shared service at Hollinfare 10.30
- 13 Carol service Time TBA
- 18 School Christmas carol service 9.30
- 18 School closes for Christmas
- 19 Church cleaning for Christmas
- 24 Carols round the Crib 3.0
- 24 Gift Day

HOLLINFARE St HELEN September 2026



"A church that really lends itself to worship which catches both the otherness of God and the closeness of God" The Rt Rev David Jennings, former Bishop of Warrington

"A gem" The Rt Rev Richard Blackburn, former Bishop of Warrington

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Thank you to Sharon at Conexus for printing our magazine

50 years ago in September 1976

Hilda Gertrude Mosedale died at the age of 80; from arriving in our parish at the age of 30 she had worshipped here at St Helen's. Married into the family who owned the brickworks on Moss Side Lane, Trudi was one of our churchwardens from 1961 to 1965 and was also an official of our Mothers' Union over many years. She gave up her duties as enrolling member only a few weeks before she passed away. Her funeral service was conducted by our vicar, Rev Anthony Corble, and a former incumbent, Canon Leslie Forster, gave the address. Flowers from parishioners adorned our church rather than being placed on her grave.

On the following evening the Mothers' Union held their festival evensong followed by a lavish party in the Community Hall. Our choir sang a "gay and tuneful harvest anthem" especially composed by our organist Charles Currie and the Rev Margaret Butler of Rixton Methodist Church gave a talk on devout families mentioned in the Holy Bible.

The MU members took part in an annual rally held at Cadishead Congregational Church at which Rev Butler preached.

A record £110 was donated for the Church of England Childrens' Society in the home boxes.

September brought to an end the then hottest summer on record - matched only by 2026 !

Cupola: grant aid sought

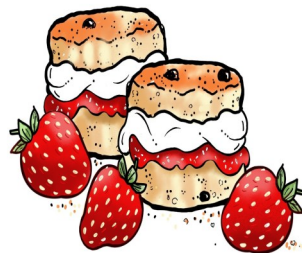
Jim Hall's building group met on August 19 to discuss the tasks that lie immediately ahead to maintain our church in good order.

Applications for a grant to help us refurbish our cupola have been made to the Hamilton Davies Trust who have helped us in the past and also Historic England, the body that has succeeded the Government scheme that provided aid for projects undertaken by Grade 2 listed churches, as we are. We didn't make the first tranche of grants by the latter but our bid remains in the running in round two.

Special thanks to Jim, Veronia and Janet who have been able to clear a host of incredibly high weeds that had grown in the yard adjacent to our Church House kitchen.



Fabulous food
Fantastic flowers
We are open...
Tuesday
to Friday 8 to 4,
Saturday and Sunday 9
to 4



On course to the future

The position of a full-time vicar for our parish and that of All Saints combined with the post of assistant area dean, is expected to be advertised this month. This was revealed by the Venerable Simon Fisher, our Archdeacon, at the end of our morning service, which he conducted, on Sunday August 16.

As we move towards the completion of our "as if to join" stage of Fit for Mission next year more information can be obtained at a workshop to be held later this month here at Hollinfare on a date that was yet to be decided by our PCC.

There is also an FFM "Cultivate" course at Newchurch Parish Hall starting on October 6 from 11.0am to 1.0pm. This will be held on each successive Tuesday for a further five weeks and all are invited.

VILLAGE GREEN BARBERS

Open Monday and Tuesday 9 to 5.30

Thursday 9 to 7.0 Friday 9 to 5.30

Saturday 8.30 to noon

Diary dates for September

- 3 Thursday service and lunch Noon Alan
6 Holy Communion at All Saints 10.30 Trinity 14 Rev Martin Cox
13 Sunday service 9.30 Trinity 15
20 Holy Communion and Baptism 9.30 Trinity 16 Rev Martin Cox
27 Sunday service 9.30 Trinity 17

Readers

- 6 SHARED: Romans 13 8-14, Matthew 18 15-20
13 ROY: Romans 14 1-12, Matthew 18 21-35
20 RAINFORDS: Philippians 1 21-30, Matthew 20 1-16
27 MIKE: Philippians 2 1-13, Matthew 21 23-32

Prayers

- 6 ALL SAINTS 13 ALAN
20 ROY 27 ALAN

Cleaning rota

- 6 SHEILA, VIRGINIA, IRENE C and JANINE

- 13 to 27 VACANT

Coffee morning

- 26 10.0-noon

PCC meeting

- 14 2.0



Christopher Blay

Almost 300 mourners arrived here at church on the afternoon of August 17 for a memorable service to celebrate the life of Chris Blay, a member of our Sunday School back in the 1970s.

Chris died at the age of 61 and is survived by his wife Carolyn and their son Barnaby.



Rev Martin Fuller conducted the service and delivered the eulogy and also read a tribute written by Barnaby, Janet accompanied the hymns at the organ and there were musical contributions also by Craig Collins on saxophone and a keyboard player.

In his youth Chris was a talented footballer and in recent years a supporter of the Warrington Wolves rugby team.

Following cremation at Altrincham glasses were raised to Chris at the Griffin restaurant in Bowdon.

Donations in his memory are for Prostate Cancer UK; Alan has the barcode.

For whom the bell tolls...

There are few sounds that more encapsulate English village life than the chiming of the parish church bell every Sunday morning.

Special thanks therefore to young Tommy Tierney-Oldham who has been tolling our own bell for months now, giving Irene Clare a well-earned rest!

The social whirl...

Our fund-raising continues apace as we aim to raise enough money to pay for the refurbishment of our cupola. Last month we began a weekly tombola. Tickets cost just £1 and there is a prize every time!

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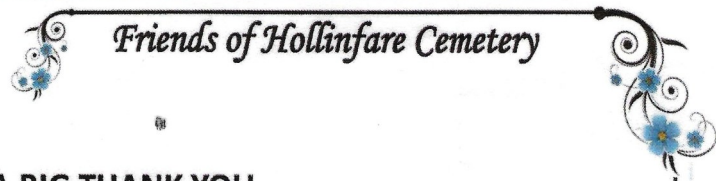


Our flower fund is wilting

Thankyou to everyone who have generously contributed to our flower fund this year; the blooms help to enhance our worship week by week. Unfortunately, because there have been a lot of blank dates during the summer months, the fund purse is now almost empty and so Irene is putting out the box we use before Easter and Christmas at the back of church in the hope of replenishing it.

You can either make a donation or, alternatively, fill in your name on the lists either at the back of church or in Church House and provide the flowers on a specific date, perhaps in the memory of a loved one. You can ask Irene to arrange them for you or, if you wish, arrange them yourselves.





A BIG THANK YOU

The Friends of Hollinfare Cemetery wish to express our sincere appreciation those who have set up a monthly standing order of £5 in support of the Friends group.

Your kind donation is being used to help us continue to improve the look and feel of the Cemetery.

The Friends Group has been going since 2010 and thanks to our hard working volunteers we have made a huge difference in the cemetery. However, despite our best fundraising efforts, we are in need of further funds to continue to maintain and improve the Cemetery.

If you would like to support the work of the group by making a one-off donation, or by setting up a standing order, here are our bank details:

Account Name: **The Friends of Hollinfare Cemetery**

Account No: **30343560**

Sort Code: **77-19-10**

Any donation however small is gratefully received - Thank You
Mandy Eccles (Chair)

A perfect autumn day out

If you are looking for an unforgettable day out you will find our own cathedral, the largest Anglican place of worship in the world, would make a memorable experience for families and friends. Your visit could include a tower visit, guided tours both inside and out and meals in the Welsford bistro offers good food and children's portions. From the top of the Vestey tower there are breathtaking panoramic views of Liverpool, the River Mersey and beyond. Tours can be booked online or on the day of your visit.

