

~ An All Saint's Church, Hoole,  
Missional Community Project

# GOD'S GROWINGS

April 2021  
Jottings

'Down2Earth'



*The Garden Gate*  
PRAYING, SOWING, GROWING

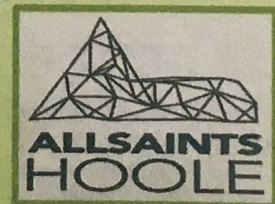
Before COVID 19, we were on site every Saturday Morning from 10am, and for those really mad keen team members, 10am Monday mornings as well. With current restrictions, it's just a place for two workers at a time, but even so we continue to enjoy this special space. We hope to be able to invite others to join us eventually at the allotment, when the Government's Covid Guidelines allow. **SO.....IF YOU ARE INTERESTED...** Do contact - [office@allsaints.church](mailto:office@allsaints.church)  
No gardening experience required!! There's a variety of work which change each month as the allotment year progresses and it's a great place to chat and share ideas.  
Do **KEEP** praying for us at All Saints Garden Gate, **KEEP** following our progress and we will **KEEP** you informed monthly.

## 'Road Mapping'

So ...much drier and milder days have been spent at The Garden Gate in March, socially distanced, of course. The pond now has suitably and carefully sourced plants in situ but we're not sure if we have any frog and toad spawn....YET! Fruit wise, we have some new raspberry canes 'grounded', the rhubarb looks 'lush', there's some upcycled pallets with strawberries plants sitting inside and many of the team have already started sowing seeds at home for introducing to our plot later. The grass has enjoyed a trim and we have discussed a flower bed mid plot where the strawberries used to 'swim'.

We've had opportunities to catch up with neighbouring workers, sharing ideas and wandering around to appreciate innovative designs and plantings. There are some serious inspired plotters around. Our friendly neighbour, Ian P (you may know him!!) on his well-organised plot made a weed holder so we have borrowed that idea. It means that any excess soil can wash off into the bed below. Genius!!

May God's road map inspire us to share his gifts to support, bless and encourage others around us. Spring and new growth bring much excitement, but the message of Easter is even more exciting, challenging and powerful. **IT'S TRULY AMAZING.** Did Mary notice the beauty in the garden that Easter morning or that the stone had been rolled away. Her mind was so focussed in that moment. So, in whatever we do, we fix our eyes on Jesus as we spend time at this very special 'Gate'.



Simon, Heather, Erica, Audrey  
Mike, Eli, Paul & Lis  
John, Pam & Phil

*We are a team of Christians working together with the aim of being open to the wider community through allotment gardening. We meet together and grow together in Christ in every season of life.*

*Praying,  
Sowing And  
Growing.*



**Garden Gate Workers on Holiday?**



**Red Currants and Strawberries greening up**

**'Girt Lush' Rhubarb**



**An idea of Ian P's!**

**Innovative & inspired Plots in the field of allotment gardening**

