



## CHURCH SERVICES July

2	11.00a.m.	Holy Communion	St. Mary's	Austin
9	9.30a.m.	Morning Service	St. Mary's	John
16	11.00a.m.	Holy Communion	All Saints	Dawn
23	9:30 a.m.	Morning Service	All Saints	Dawn
30	11.00 a.m.	Benefice Service	Wreningham	Dawn

**August** (Subject to changes, please check Tas Vally benefice website.)

6	11.00a.m.	Holy Communion	St. Mary's	TBA
13	9.30a.m.	Morning Service	St. Mary's	TBA
20	11.00a.m.	Holy Communion	All Saints	TBA
27	9:30 a.m.	Morning Service	All Saints	TBA

**Saxlingham services – July** 2nd 9.30am, 9<sup>th</sup> 11.00am, 16<sup>th</sup> 9.30am  
23<sup>rd</sup> HC 8.00am 11.00am & 6.30pm evensong at St. Marys church ruins

## CHURCH FLOWERS

All Saints -Jennifer Walters , Jane Blease South window Pat Harris

St Mary's -Britt Riches, Betty Torbitt

**August** All Saints -Sylvia Harmer, Jane Blease South window Jane Blease

St Mary's - Polly Gould, Julia Moncrief

## What's On July

1,2	<b>Open Gardens Shotesham</b>	10.00-4.00
1,2	Chime a bell at All Saints church	2.00 – 3.00 each day
19	Mobile Library	10.15 Grove, 10.35 The Street
23	Village walk	10.15am Trinity hall

## August

1	Parish Council meeting	7.30pm Trinity hall
2-13	Quilt exhibition	10.00-4.00pm Merlina Gallery Earsham
6	<b>Open Garden</b>	Brick Kiln House 10.00-4.00
16	Mobile Library	10.15 Grove, 10.35 The Street
20	Village walk	10.15 am Trinity hall

## A message from Frances Allen of 6 The Grove, Shotesham.

My husband, Ivan (Jimmy), was born in the cottages in 1949 and has lived in the village for most of his life! Sadly he passed away in hospital on 5th June and the funeral is a burial on **Thursday 6th July at 2pm** at Shotesham All Saints church.

*This edition of Contact has been sponsored by Jenny and Roger Ranson to celebrate the wedding of their daughter Charlotte to John at All Saints' Church in June*



## SHOTESHAM CONTACT

**July / August 2023**

## Message from Dawn

### The Bishop is Back!

There was great excitement in the parish a few days ago when a new Bishop of Thetford was announced. His role is to assist the Bishop of Norwich and part of this involves being our local area Bishop. The post is to go to the current Archdeacon of Macclesfield who many of you may remember as Ian Bishop – one time vicar of Shotesham and the other parishes in our group.

Although I've never met Ian, I'm also delighted at this appointment because over the years I've heard quite a bit about him from those who know him and who very much appreciated his ministry here.

The news prompted one of those slightly silly conversations about having a 'Bishop Bishop'. I pointed out that it is more usual to address a Bishop using his Christian name after his title, as in 'Bishop Ian' rather than 'Bishop Bishop.' Which then led me to muse on how that will feel for Ian.... perhaps a little like I'd feel if people suddenly started calling me 'Davidson Dawn'....!!

Ian will be ordained as bishop in Westminster Abbey on 29<sup>th</sup> September and there is to be a service of welcome for him and his wife, Sue, in Norwich Cathedral on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 17.30 pm– to which all are warmly invited.

Please keep Ian and Sue in your prayers as they prepare to make the move back to Norfolk. With every blessing **Dawn**

Team Rector, [dawndavidson@btinternet.com](mailto:dawndavidson@btinternet.com) 01508 498924

**Church Bell Ringing** is a team activity that stimulates the brain and helps you keep fit. **We need more ringers** to maintain this traditional skill; otherwise the church bells will become silent! Ringing is well within the capabilities of most people from age 12 into retirement age but requires initial teaching which takes several weeks under close supervision.

If you think you may be interested in learning contact Bob Harris, tel 01508550672 or e-mail [hill.cottage@btinternet.com](mailto:hill.cottage@btinternet.com)

**Chime a bell at All Saints church on the Open Garden week end (1/2 July between 2.00 and 3.00pm)**

### **Parish Council**

The Council is now up to its required number of seven. The members are Heather Jackson as Chairman and Jon Nott as Vice Chairman. Members - Slim Dinsdale, Kim Dyke, Mark Dyke, Henry Walker and Jim Webber. If you have an issue you would like to raise with us then please approach any member, if you are familiar with them, or the clerk - Jeff Gough at [clerk.shotesham@outlook.com](mailto:clerk.shotesham@outlook.com) and he will pass on the details of a councillor for you to contact. This would all be in confidence. Our next meeting is on the 1st of August. After that we will have a routine of bi monthly meetings with extra ones slotted in to deal with time constrained items such as planning. Virtually all of the centre of the village is now a conservation area and as a result we, as parishioners, do need to take advice if planning radical changes such as the removal of trees.....and matters that affect the 'street scene'. Advice is always available even if we, the parish council, need to seek that ourselves on your behalf.

**Please be aware**, it appears we have a fair bit of Hemlock in the village in areas such as the Common, Church Hill & Joy's Loke, this plant is dangerously toxic and should be avoided. Unfortunately it looks very similar to Cow Parsley but can be identified by red splotches on the stems, some good info and photos on the Norwich City Council website - [https://www.norwich.gov.uk/info/20205/allotments/3745/hemlock\\_advice](https://www.norwich.gov.uk/info/20205/allotments/3745/hemlock_advice)

### **Shotesham Village Association**

A quiet summer as everyone 'flies' off to the sunshine (or perhaps even out of it!!). Due to the work going into Open Gardens, we decided to give the summer fete a miss and go for another Barn Dance, and Saturday 23rd September is the date to reserve in your diary, hopefully the Summer Fete will be back next year! Other items being looked at are a Quiz Night at the Trinity, and perhaps a Wine Tasting Night, news on these later.

**Open Garden**, Jenny and Jim at Brick Kiln House are opening their garden for the National Garden Scheme on **Sunday 6th August 10-4pm**.

As well as homemade teas there will be stalls selling plants, garden sculptures, handmade jewellery and other locally made crafts.

**Open Gardens- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Do visit the open gardens and help raise money for the MND charity in memory of Raz.**

### **Shotesham Bowls**

The season is now well under way and if you would like to try the game you are still welcome to come to a Saturday roll up starting at [2pm](#). Just wear flat shoes and we can lend you some woods. Our bowls green on Brooke Road is a lovely place to be on a summer evening so if you would like to watch, and support your home team you would be very welcome. Home matches mostly last about 2 hours starting at 6.45 pm Do come and give your support and stay to talk to the team over a cup of tea afterwards.

**Home Matches July** Monday 3rd Monday 10th Thursday 13th

Monday 24th 6.45pm and Wed 26th at 2.00pm

**August home matches** are on Tuesday 1st, Friday 4th, Wednesday 16th, Monday 21st, and Thursday 24th starting at 6.30 and Tuesday 22nd at 2pm  
*John Torbitt Treasurer 01508 499541*

### **Quilt Exhibition 2<sup>nd</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> August Merlina Gallery Earsham**

You have seen the lovely quilts in the Trinity Hall but now the village patchwork group are having an exhibition in the Merlina Gallery in Earsham (NR352TQ) It will be open from 10am to 4pm from August 2<sup>nd</sup> to August 13th. There is plenty of free parking and we would love to see you there. For more information you can contact heather at [heatherbelljackson@btinternet.com](mailto:heatherbelljackson@btinternet.com)

### **40<sup>th</sup> anniversary Sponsored churches cycle ride**

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September** The Norfolk Churches Trust: Bike: Walk: Drive in the Norfolk Countryside. Annual Event on Saturday 9th September 9am to 5pm We are looking for volunteers to sit in All Saints Church between 9 & 5 Details from Trish Leighton 01508 558487

### **A Trades' Directory for Shotesham with small personal ads.**

is issued twice a year in September and March. The fee for a trade entry is £10.00 per year for both issues or £3.00 to place a small personal ad. The entry should be up to 3 lines on A5 at this sized text (extra fee for more lines) Entries by 15<sup>th</sup> August please to be included in the September "Contact". To advertise please contact Trish Leighton 01508 558487 or [mp95@btinternet.com](mailto:mp95@btinternet.com)