

CHURCH SERVICES



2	11.00a.m.	All Saints Communion Service	All Saints	Dawn & David
9	10.45a.m.	Remembrance Service	All Saints	David
16	11.00a.m.	Morning Service & Baptism	All Saints	Dawn & David
23	9.30a.m.	Morning Service with Debatable sermon	All Saints	Dawn & Jessie

30 11.00am Holy communion St. Marys David

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY is on the 9th November at All Saints. Please join us to honour the dead of two world wars and subsequent conflicts. Be at the war memorial by 10.45 that morning so that we can observe the silence at 11 o'clock followed by a service in the church to which **everyone** is welcome.

Saxlingham Services 2nd 9.30am, 9th 10.30, 16th 9.30am, 23rd 8.00am HC 11.00am 30th 3.00pm Advent carols

Note: St. Mary's will be closed during the first few weeks of November due to repairs inside.

CHURCH FLOWERS

All Saints' - Jane Blease Janet Sochon **Window** Noreen Downing

St. Mary's - Judith Pleavin / Bernie Fenn/ Betty Torbitt

Church opening All Saints- Jill Masters, Jan Thurlow, Jane Taylor, Pauline Carver, Lou Albert. **St Mary's-** Colin Purdom, Alan & Judy Graham, Jimmy & Jenny Hazell, Peter and Valerie Crowle, John & Betty Torbitt.

WHAT'S ON

7	Village walk	10.15am	Trinity hall
11	Poetry evening	7.30pm	The Globe PH
14	Film Poringland The Grand Budapest Hotel	7.30pm	Poringland
18	Mobile library	Afternoon	
21	Shotesham film night- Chef	7.00pm	Trinity hall
21	Horticultural Society talk	7.30 pm	Saxlingham village hall
30	Village Walk	10.30 am	Trinity hall

Check the.shotesham.com website for information on all village activities, history, photos, etc.

Please note that the next 'Contact' will be a joint December/January issue.

Items to Pat Harris, Hill Cottage, tel. 550672 or

hill.cottage@btinternet.com by 15th November please.

Thanks to Heather Madgett, a former village resident for 25 years, who has kindly sponsored this edition of 'Contact'.



SHOTESHAM CONTACT

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Message from Dawn

Thank you to all who responded to the questionnaire about the proposed changes to All Saints Church. We were encouraged by the number of replies and the many helpful comments made. It is good to know that the village community has a real sense of ownership of All Saint's as the local parish church.

The suggestion of such change always provokes an emotive response from churchgoers and parishioners alike and there was a significant proportion opposed to the idea of going ahead. PCC members themselves chose not to enter 'the vote' in order to remain as impartial as possible when considering the feedback received.

In view of the strength of opinion against, the PCC felt unable to embrace the proposals in their present form. It was decided to continue to explore other ideas which would have less of an impact on the established character of the interior but go some way to making the building more 'user-friendly'. This leads on very nicely to a reminder about this month's 'Debateable Sermon' - with so many opinions out there about the use of our church buildings, here is the opportunity to explore the topic 'Why attend church?' As someone once said; "Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than going to McDonalds makes you a hamburger." Were they right? Come and ask questions, join the debate, or just listen - 9:30am Sunday 23rd November at All Saints.

Every blessing to you all.

Dawn Team Vicar dawn@tasvalley.org 01508 498924

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD The annual Shoebox Appeal for children in need in Central and Eastern Europe and parts of Africa. The information leaflets are in the churches and the **final date for handing in the boxes will be on Remembrance Sunday, November 9th.** Thank you, David Lancaster Tel. 01508 493159

Shotesham Parish Council

1. **Remembrance Day, 9th November.** Please gather at 10.45am for the remembrance ceremony followed by the 2 minutes silence at 10.58am. The Parish Council feels that not just those named on the Memorial should be remembered, but all those ancestors of villagers, who may be remembered elsewhere, should be honoured at the same time. If anyone living in the village would like lay a cross on the War Memorial during the ceremony, contact Jeff Gough [550358 or shotesham@btinternet.com]. A cross can be provided.

2. **Defibrillator.** I am pleased to report that the defibrillator and its steel container are here. They will soon be installed in the BT Box on The Common. We are hoping to announce dates for an explanatory talk and basic training at the Trinity shortly.

3. **Tree Warden urgently needed now** Are you interested in your local environment? The Parish Council is looking to appoint a new Voluntary Tree Warden for Shotesham parish. Frank and Diane Mitchell have decided to stand down after nearly 15 years as tree wardens. They write: "We have enjoyed being tree wardens and are pleased to have led the way in a fair amount of tree and hedge planting in the village. The role is not too onerous and we have been given a free hand by the Parish Council to develop it as we saw fit. The 2 main parts of the role for us have been to give a local opinion on any applications for tree work in the conservation area and to lead the annual tree and hedge planting campaign in Tree Week each autumn (followed by some care of the young trees). There is plenty of scope to develop the role according to your own interests. Some wardens arrange educational events and work to involve children in the environment. South Norfolk Council is very supportive and arranges training events and field trips for wardens. You do not need to be an expert to start with! There is a helpful leaflet at www.treecouncil.org.uk/Portals/0/Take%20Part/Co-ordinators%20Toolkit/Tree_Wardens_Leaflet.pdf

If you are interested in knowing more please feel free to ring Jeff Gough 550358 or contact John Hope (Parish Council chair) on 550368.

Well Well Well... As part of the wish to preserve the 'history' of Shotesham it was felt that the existing wells of Shotesham should be recorded. It was not until the 60's that mains water came to our village ...over the years most houses converted to mains water ...nevertheless the 'wells' remained. Do you have one? Please tell us and we will record it and, hopefully, its position. Another piece of our history will be saved. Contact Jeff Gough on 550358

Poetry Evening at The Globe – Tuesday 11th November, 7:30 p.m.

The Village Association is arranging an informal event where people can bring and read out their favourite poems, poems that mean something to them or even poems that they've written. It's on Armistice Day so a WW1 flavour wouldn't be amiss. Do come with your poems (not too long!) and join in or just sit, listen and be transported on the wings of words.

Poringland Community Centre Film- The Grand Budapest Hotel
November 14th Tickets £4 Doors open 6.45pm film starts at 7.30pm
Tickets on sale at Budgens or on the door

EDUCATEPERU Pamper for Peru day...Saturday November 15th.....

10.30 - 3.30 at Nurses Cottage, Saxlingham Nethergate (near the War Memorial). Come and have a head massage or some reflexology and enjoy lovely cakes and coffee/tea for an **all inclusive price of £7.00** no need to book, just walk in and relax, have a chat. You will be helping some of the poorest children in Peru. www.educateperu.org . *Jill Bignell*

Shotesham Village Screen: Presents Friday 21st November 7pm "

CHEF" Directed by and starring Jon Favreau, with Dustin Hoffman, Robert Downey Jr, Scarlett Johansson, Sofia Vergara. Comedy-drama about a chef who rediscovers his love of cooking..you'll simply drool!!! Seats £5 PLEASE BOOK IN ADVANCE or 550122.

Walking group Friday November 7th: Walk to be led by Ronnie Sutton. Meet at Trinity for lift share at 10.15 a.m. to Saxlingham Playing Field.

Walk to Hempnall returning to Saxlingham - Ronnie's 'other route'
Sunday 30th November: Walk to be led by Tim and Helen. Local walk. Meet at Trinity at 10.30 a.m. Local Walk.

Christmas Village Market December 6th 10am-12noon Trinity hall.

Raffle in aid of the Nelsons journey. (to be drawn 11.30) lovely prizes. 😊
Lots of stalls including Christmas gifts and cards. For children there will be a cracker and present from under the Christmas tree 😊

Saxlingham players present Aladdin the pantomime by Ben Crocker
"This is a show to be enjoyed by all ages, with enough hearty laughs to lighten anyone's winter evenings!" **Thur 4th & Fri 5th Dec @ 7.30pm Sat 6th Dec @ 2.00pm & 7.30pm**Saxlingham Nethergate Village Hall. Tickets £7 or £5 for 12 and under Call Vicky Stocks on 01508 499631 (9am-9pm)
Visit our website

Thanks to all who produced Issue 5 of the Shotesham Times delivered with 'Contact'.