



CHURCH SERVICES

- 1 11.00a.m. All Saints Communion Service All Saints' Dawn & David
 8 10.45a.m. **Remembrance Service** All Saints' John Torbitt
 15 11.00a.m. Holy Communion All Saints' Dawn
 22 9.30a.m. BCP Matins with Baptism All Saints Dawn & David
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 29 4.00 p.m. Advent Sunday Service St. Marys Dawn

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY is on the 8th 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 11.00 a.m. Do follow on to the church for a **short service** and coffee to which **everyone** is welcome.

Saxlingham Services 1st 9.30am, 8th 10.30, 15th 9.30am,
 22nd 8.00am HC 11.00am 29th 11.00am Advent carols

CHURCH FLOWERS

All Saints'- Jane Blease Pauline Carver **Window** Noreen Downing
St. Mary's -Judith Pleavin / Bernie Fenn/ Betty Torbitt

WHAT'S ON

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| 1 | Village walk | 10.15am All Saints' church |
| 5 | Parish Council meeting | 7.30pm Trinity hall |
| 7 | Lifesaving training | 10.00am-1.00 Trinity hall |
| 13 | Village walk | 10.30pm Trinity hall |
| 13 | Shotesham film night-The new girlfriend | 7.30pm Trinity hall |
| 13 | Film Poringland A little chaos | 7.30pm Poringland |
| 17 | Mobile library | Afternoon |
| 18 | Garden Group talk | 7.30pm Trinity hall |
| 20 | Horticultural Society AGM and Quiz & Chip | 7.30 pm Trinity hall |
| 28 | Christmas Village market | 10.00- 12.00 Trinity hall |

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.

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SHOTESHAM CONTACT

November 2015

A thought from Dawn

I have experienced many autumns and each one seems to outdo the next... either that or it's my appreciation of the season that keeps on growing. It's a wonder to behold the jewel tones of the leaves, glowing, radiating - tinged by the softer sun of these mellowing days. Each tree and each leaf unique - there have been moments of breathtaking beauty - sacramental in splendour...

The stunning display of recent days reminded me of the writings of Brother Lawrence, a seventeenth century French monk whose conversion at the age of eighteen involved a tree, though not in the overwhelming adornment of autumn, but the starker beauty of winter...

'One day in winter, while looking at a tree stripped of its leaves, and reflecting that after a time its leaves would appear again and then flowers and fruits, he received a lofty view of the providence and power of God, which has never been effaced from his soul.'

Brother Lawrence found abundant delight in God's presence, appreciating not only the beauty of creation but even the smallest and most mundane of tasks as opportunities to encounter the divine.

He was someone who learned to live in the moment.

While the turning of the seasons can often serve as a reminder of the passing of the years, it also acts as a foil to the God who is unchanging - reminding us that through times of transition, he provides the stability that we seek. Brother Lawrence's book, 'The Practice of the Presence of God' is a slim volume but well worth reading (or re-reading!). It has much to say to all of us, whatever our convictions.

Blessings 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 8th.** Thank you, David Lancaster Tel. 01508 493159

SHOTESHAM PARISH COUNCIL.

1. Remembrance Day, 8th November. Please gather at 10.45am for the Remembrance Ceremony followed by the 2 minutes silence at 11.00am. A short Remembrance Service in All Saints' will follow.

The Parish Council feels that not just those named on the Memorial should be remembered, but all those ancestors of present villagers, even if remembered elsewhere, should also be honoured at the same time. Just bring your cross with you.

2. As you know there has been much talk in the media about the lack of knowledge of life saving techniques such as CPR.

We have arranged a mornings training on Saturday 7th of November from 10am to 1pm in the Trinity Hall with coffee and biscuits.

You will be shown how to use a defibrillator - the same as we have in the old phone box in the village, someone will show you how to do CPR and there will be different size "chests" on which you can be shown, and practice how to do compressions correctly.

Even if you have done first aid training before, it may be helpful, and give you confidence to refresh your skills.

Please come along at anytime during the session, and stay for as long as you need. The trainer will repeat the demonstrations as often as necessary.

Everyone is welcome including older children if you think it would benefit them. We look forward to seeing you.

Trinity Hospital Shotesham changes to the Hall booking system from 1st November 2015

Due to the changes at the Almshouse, we will no longer have the post of Scheme manager which is currently held by Mrs Patricia Leighton.

All future Hall bookings will be dealt with by the Mercers Company on behalf of the Earl of Northampton Charity from the 1st November 2015. To book on line and view availability please go to the web site

www.mercers.co.uk and follow the link to housing and then Trinity Hospital Shotesham. If you are unable to access the website or have a query please contact The mercers Company- 0207 776 7275/7215.

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

Shotesham Garden Group November 18th Trinity Hall 7.30 pm.

Sarah Cushion garden designer will give a talk on Design tips and planning for all year interest.

All welcome.

Shotesham Village Screen: Friday 13th November 7.30pm **SHOWING AT THE TRINITY "THE NEW GIRLFRIEND"**

Based on a story by Ruth Rendell.

A young woman makes a surprising discovery about the husband of her late best friend. Psychological/drama/comedy. French(subtitles).

Tickets: £5 Bookings: Raz 550122 razwoollacott@gmail.com

Walking group Friday November

Sunday 1st November: Meet at All Saint Church at 10.15 a.m. Tim and Helen will lead this walk.

Friday 13th November. David Howes will lead a walk which will start from 'The Bird in Hand' P.H. at Wreningham. Meet outside The Trinity at 10.30am for share lifts or for those wishing to go straight to 'The Bird in Hand' meet at 11.00am.

For those who wish we can have a drink or even lunch after the walk at 'The Bird in Hand.' Christine and David will be staying for lunch and hope a few others will do the same.

Christmas Village Market November 28th 10am-12noon Trinity hall.

Lots of stalls includes Christmas gifts and cards. Orders taken for wreaths. Tombola proceeds for the British heart foundation .

Lucky dip for children

Poringland Community Centre Film- A little chaos November 13th

Tickets £4 Doors open 6.45pm film starts at 7.30pm Tickets on sale at Budgens or on the door

Buena Vista Social Club At Poringland Community Centre

Christmas Celebration **Anglian Singers** Friday 4th December 7.30pm

Tickets £5 on the door or from the library. Info. Maureen on 01508 494358

Thanks to all who produced Issue 7 of the Shotesham Times delivered with 'Contact'.