



### CHURCH SERVICES

1	11.00a.m.	Holy Communion	St Mary's	Dawn
8	9.30a.m.	Morning Service	St. Mary's	John
15	11.00a.m.	Holy Communion	All Saints	Austin
22	6.30p.m.	<b>Harvest Thanksgiving</b>	All Saints	Dawn
29	10.30a.m.	Benefice Service	Newton Flotman	Newton Team

**Saxlingham services** – 1<sup>st</sup> 9.30am, 8<sup>th</sup> 11.00am, 15<sup>th</sup> 9.30am  
 22<sup>nd</sup> 8.00am HC 11.00am

### CHURCH FLOWERS

**All Saints'** Jane Blease, Pat Harris South window Julie Chilvers  
**St Mary's** Valerie Crowle, Judith Pleavin, Betty Torbitt

### WHAT'S ON

3	Parish Council meeting	7.30pm Trinity hall
6	Quiz night	7.00pm Trinity hall
11	Mobile Library	10.15 Grove 10.35 The Street
13	<b>Film Night</b> -The Quiet girl	7.30pm Trinity hall
14	Tin Heart Troubadours	7.30pm All Saints Church
15	Walking group	10.15 am Trinity hall
17	Garden Group talk/seed swap	7.30om Trinity hall
27	Wine tasting evening	7.00pm Trinity hall

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## SHOTESHAM CONTACT

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### Thought from Dawn

A recent, most enjoyable 'safari supper' was organised as a fund-raiser for Educate Peru, a charity run by Saxlingham resident Jill Bignell MBE to support disadvantaged children in that country. Food was served to small groups of people walking between three different homes where our hosts provided each group with one course of a delicious three course meal, finishing with coffee for everyone in the village hall.

Of those taking part, some knew each other well, some only as acquaintances, and others had never met before. Yet seated at table together and sharing food and a glass of wine (or soft drink!), conversation and laughter flowed. Established friendships were refreshed. Those who sat down as strangers, stood as friends when the meal was over.

At this time of harvest – when most are aware of the debt of gratitude we owe to our farmers – community meals are often organised by churches as a way of celebrating God's generosity in providing us with so much. These are valuable occasions to share unhurried quality time together and to appreciate the wider community to which we all belong.

Whether or not you have attended or will attend a harvest thanksgiving this season – why not invite a couple of neighbours round to share a simple supper?

We are blessed so that we can be a blessing.

**Dawn**

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**All are welcome to the Harvest thanksgiving service at 6.30pm on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October , The service will begin at 6:30pm last about 45 minutes with light refreshments and a glass of wine afterwards.**

### **Shotesham Parish Council.**

The next meeting is in the Trinity Hall on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October 7.30pm

Everyone is welcome.

The growth on some of the hedges and verges is causing problems on some of the footpaths along the street. Can you make sure that you have done everything you can outside of your homes.

We will be starting the regular Warm Welcome in the Trinity later in October-date to be announced.

It will be on Thursday afternoons between 2 and 4 and everyone is welcome.

### **Shotesham Village Association**

**Quiz Night** returns to the Trinity on **Friday 6th October**, presented by Damian the Village Quizmaster, bring your own drinks and nibbles, no charge but limited spaces so please book in advance.

**Wine Tasting on Friday 27th October** hosted by Ted assisted by his very own connoisseur. £15 per head, wine for tasting supplied, attendees are asked to perhaps bring one cheese to share, with a prize for the best one, and anything else they may need! Both events will be in the **Trinity, 7.00pm for 7.30**,

Bookings for both via Ken at [resotan@aol.com](mailto:resotan@aol.com) or 07880801674.

Hope to see you at one or t'other!

### **Film Night      Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm Trinity hall**

Shotesham Screen presents

#### **"The Quiet Girl"**

A beautiful and compassionate film. Set in rural Ireland in 1981.

Nine-year-old Cait is sent away from her overcrowded, dysfunctional family to live with foster parents for the summer. Quietly struggling at school and at home, she has learned to hide in plain sight from those around her. She blossoms in their care, but in this house where there are meant to be no secrets, she discovers one painful truth.

Tickets £5

ice creams on sale in interval

To book please call Ken 07880801674 or email [resotan@aol.com](mailto:resotan@aol.com)

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### **The Tin Heart Troubadours**

will be performing

#### **In All Saints Church on the 14<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm**

The sound of The Tin Heart Troubadours is the sound of American parlour folk music. Their songs tell tall tales of low-life, long odds, high hopes, and big deals - short stories of hot nights and cold lead in heaven and hell.

Tickets £10 to include a glass of wine available from

[janeblease@hotmail.com](mailto:janeblease@hotmail.com) or facebook.com/thetinhearttroubadours

Or telephone 01508 558787 -

### **Shotesham garden group**

Do you have any gardening conundrums, or alternatively have you found the answer to perennial problems? Either way come to an informal gardeners question and answer session on **Tuesday October 17<sup>th</sup> 7.30-9 at the Trinity Hall, Shotesham**. As well as being able to pick each other's brains, **Rajul Shah**, from the **Norfolk School of Gardening** will also be on hand with useful advice. Everyone welcome, new, or longstanding gardeners.

Cost £4

Contact Sue for more information [susan.astbury49@btinternet.com](mailto:susan.astbury49@btinternet.com)

**PLUS- Seed swap** bring along anything you have collected from your garden. Well labelled please.

### **Walking group date**

15th October start 10.15 am Trinity hall

Saxlingham are holding a Christmas Fayre on the 18<sup>th</sup> November. Anyone wishing to have a stall please contact Teresa on 498277