



CHURCH SERVICES

3	11.00a.m.	Holy Communion	St Mary's	Coryn
10	9.30a.m.	Morning Prayer	St Mary's	John
17	11.00a.m.	Holy Communion	All Saints	Dawn
24	9.30a.m.	Morning Prayer	All Saints	Dawn

Saxlingham services – 3rd 9.30am, 10th 11.00am, 17th 9.30am
24th 8.00am HC 11.00am

CHURCH FLOWERS All Saints' Shirley Pull, South Window- Joy Moore
St Mary's Christine Howes, Fanny Wallis

WHAT'S ON

8	Garden group visit to Pensthorpe	12.15am	Trinity hall
8	Village screen -Broker	7.30pm	Trinity hall
9	Church Cycle Ride	9.00am-5.00pm	
13	Mobile Library	10.15 Grove, 10.35 Street	
17	Tour de Shotesham	11.30am	Globe PH
17	Walking Group	10.15am	Trinity hall
23	Barn Dance	7-11pm	Playing Field

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SHOTESHAM CONTACT

September 2023

Thought from Dawn

Our curate, Coryn Stanforth, will be leaving us in November to take up the post of Rector of the Coastal Group – parishes once under the care of one of our previous ministers, Revd Phil Wood.

It has been a joy and a privilege for me to have been alongside Coryn in these formational stages of new ministry – guiding her as she began leading a wider variety of services, such as; Holy Communion, baptisms, and weddings; and introducing her to something of what is involved in the administration and leading of a group of several parishes.

A person stepping out 'to go it alone' may feel slightly apprehensive at suddenly finding themselves in the driving seat but there are usually friends and colleagues on hand ready and willing to offer support. Those who trust in God will never be alone in the true sense of the word. The Bible tells us that the role of the Holy Spirit is to be alongside us, throughout this life, as our companion and guide and Jesus promises never to leave us or forsake us. Most of us have at some point in life, in family or work situations especially, had the experience of 'disciplining' a younger, or less experienced person. In doing so, there is always something for us to learn as well. If you are not currently in the position of mentor or mentee, why not find someone to whom you can pass on a particular skill or knowledge, or from whom you can learn? And may the experience be one that is mutually beneficial.

Keep curiosity alive and never stop learning!

With every blessing

Dawn

Team Rector, dawndavidson@btinternet.com 01508 498924

Sponsored churches cycle ride Saturday 9th September

The Norfolk Churches Trust: Bike: Walk: Drive in the Norfolk Countryside. Annual Event on Saturday 9th September 9am to 5pm. Should you wish to take part and raise money for our Shotesham churches sponsorship forms are available at the back of All Saints and St. Marys churches and further details and sponsorship forms are also available on the Norfolk Churches Trust web site.

Parish Council

There are some jobs around the village that need fitness and willingness to help-over weekends e.g cleaning the war memorial and hammering some posts for footpath markers. Could this be you? Please contact heather 550785-

heatherbelljackson@btinternet.com

Before Covid steps were in place to repair/replace our black and white sign posts. Lockdown halted this, but now progress is being made.

All the posts have been inspected, some are in a worse state, but now we know what needs doing. Alison Thomas, our County Councillor, has provided a grant and Gary Overland from the Highways dept has put the first steps in motion.

Initially 2 posts are being made and will be installed at the junction of Chapel Lane and the Street and the Saxlingham Rd junction at the Dukes Head.

We have news from Anglian Water that they will be starting work on replacing the fragile water main to the village on 11th of September. It will mean that there will be a closure on the Poringland Road over a period, but the regular short term closures for leaks should stop.

Shotesham Village Screen

Friday 8th September 7:30 pm Trinity Hall

Broker

A sweet and charming film which starts one rainy night in Busan, a young woman leaves her baby outside a 'baby box' a safe place set up in Korean churches for new mothers to leave unwanted infants. Instead the baby is picked up by an unofficial adoption brokerage. A road trip ensues to find the baby's new parents, pursued by detectives.

Tickets £5 ice creams on sale in interval

Tickets from Ken tel: 07880801674 email: resotan@aol.com

Shotesham Garden group

We have organised a visit and guided tour of the glorious gardens at

Pensthorpe <https://pensthorpe.com/things-to-do/gardens/> on **Friday**

September 8th. The tour starts at 2 and you could either meet us there just before or we could meet at the Trinity about 12.15 to share lifts and have lunch and/or explore further up there. If we get enough people, we can get group entrance which is cheaper. If you would like to come, and it's open to everyone, please let Sarah Cushion know sarah.cushion815@btinternet.com Should be a magnificent start to autumn, look forward to seeing you.

Walking Group dates

17th September -Meet at 10.15am Trinity hall

Shotesham Village Association

SVA News - **Barn Dance** tickets had all sold out, but due to a couple of cancellations and a double booking we have a small number of available tickets for anyone who may have missed the opportunity or has been away on holiday, first come first served! If anyone who isn't actually attending the BD but would like to be involved with cooking or marquee erection, you can get in touch with ken at resotan@aol.com.

You may remember that our **Tour de Shotesham** was postponed at the (very) last minute due to very few entries which we didn't know about until the day.

As the event is normally well attended, we assumed this was probably due to a combination of school hols and a number of people being away.

Requests have been had for a 're-start' so we decided we'd have another go!!

The **rescheduled 11th TdS** will now take place on **Sunday September 17th**, starting at 11.30am at the Globe. Normal arrangements will apply except that pre-registration by email will be required so that we'll know whether there are sufficient entries. For more details or to register, please email Simon on simonnisbet27@gmail.com, remembering that we now have an additional category for E-bikes.

October events - **Quiz Night 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 Trinity, 7.00pm for 7.30, bookings for both via ken at resotan@aol.com or 07880801674.

Church Bell Ringing 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. It is a team activity that **stimulates the brain and helps you keep fit**. Initial teaching 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

Thanks to Trish Leighton who has compiled the Shotesham Trade Directory which is included with this issue

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