

CHURCH SERVICES

July

5	11.00.a.m.	Holy Communion	St. Mary's	Dawn
12	11:00 a.m.	Service of the Word with Baptism	St. Mary's	Dawn
19	11.00a.m	Songs of Praise	All Saints	Dawn
26	9.30a.m.	BCP Matins	All Saints	Dawn

Saxlingham 7th 9.30am, 12th 11.00am 19th 9.30am & 6.00pm Evensong for the Patronal Festival 26th 8.00am HC 11.00am

August

2	11.00.a.m.	Holy Communion	St. Mary's	Dawn
9	9.30a.m.	Morning Service	St. Mary's	TBC
16	11.00a.m.	Matins	All Saints	David Lancaster
23	9.30a.m.	BCP Matins	All Saints	David Hamilton
30	11.00a.m.	Morning service with Debatable Sermon	All Saints	David Hamilton & David Sochon

Saxlingham , 2nd 9.30am HC, 9th 11.00am, 16th 9.30am 23rd 8.00am HC, 30th 9.30am

CHURCH FLOWERS

July Flowers – All Saints- Jennifer Walters / Joan Oldman

South Window Pat Harris

St. Mary's Valerie Crowle, Britt Riches

August Flowers- All Saints Sylvia Harmer / Jane Blease

South Window Ros Dix

St Mary's Fanny Wallis, Sandra Coles, Betty

WHAT'S ON

July

11	Village Fete	2-5 Playing field
26	Open garden	11-5 Brick Kiln House
28	Mobile library	Afternoon

August

13	Parish Council meeting	7.30pm Trinity hall
25	Mobile Library	Afternoon
29	Village Market	10.00-12.00 Trinity hall



SHOTESHAM CONTACT

July and August 2015

Debatable Sermons

On Sunday, August 30th our 11am service at All Saints' Church will include a 'debatable sermon'. The rationale behind such services (which tend to be somewhat foreshortened, beginning and ending with well-known hymns, prayers and a statement of the creed, thus allowing for a little more time to deliberate and for an issue to be probed more deeply, if the congregation so wishes) is to make room for the clergy to be questioned about their sermon. Usually there is no immediate opportunity to examine a sermon. These services attempt to address this. We have covered a number of topics over the past year, approximately every two to three months, including:

Does God exist?

Why attend Church?

Why does God permit suffering and premature death?

What is prayer?

These have all taken a somewhat similar format with an introduction to the theme given by a devil's advocate, replied to by a member of the clergy. On this occasion Rev. David Sochon returns to respond to the subject. There follows an opportunity for the congregation, if they so wish, to ask questions or make additional comments to the debate.

The theme for August 30th is; 'Where is heaven (or hell)?' It is hoped that many may come to the service and all would be most welcome.

David Hamilton

Thanks to Mark and Britt Riches who have kindly sponsored this edition of 'Contact' to celebrate the baptism of their granddaughter Poppy Edith Lily at St. Mary's church on the 12th July.

SHOTESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

A long serving member of the PC , Philippa Grant, has resigned. The PC will now follow the set procedure to fill the vacancy. Details in Notice Board.

Defibrillator follow upThe agreed CPR course is being planned. It will be helpful to know the likely take up of places. Please contact a PC member or The Clerk if you might be interested...details in both Notice Boards.

Welcoming new villagers... If you have a new neighbour would you let a PC member or the Clerk know. The wish is to say "Welcome to Shotesham" and provide them with helpful information about the village and its activities.

Joint venture between the Parish Council and the Village Association.
An informal gathering, open to everyone, will be held at Grove Farm on the **6th of September**. Details will be available in a few weeks and will be placed on the website shotesham.com and in the Notice Boards.
The Clerk, J K Gough. 01508550358. shoteshampc@btinternet.com

Village Fete– Saturday 11th July 2pm onwards on the playing field.

The event not to miss, **THE SHOTESHAM SUMMER FETE!**
As well as games, races, football challenges for all the family, this year the various groups in the village are putting on hands-on activities. So try your hand at **willow weaving, table tennis, test your wildlife knowledge** and many more. Of course there will be **delicious things to eat** and how could we forget the **'not very serious dog show'!**
If you can help in any way contact Bernie on 558407 and if you can make a cake or help in the tea tent please let Christine know on 558458.

OPEN GARDEN **Brick Kiln House,**

Jim and Jenny Clarke are opening their garden as part of the National Garden Scheme on **Sunday 26th July**. The NGS raises money for charity, last year Norfolk gardens raised £86.000 and the whole scheme raised over £2.5million. They mainly donate to the caring charities. **We will be opening from 11-5**, admission £5, children free.
Brick Kiln House, Priory Lane, Shotesham St Mary.

Village Market Saturday August 29th 10-12.

The next village market will have all the usual stalls selling local pork, delicious cakes and preserves etc. We are also having a bric a brac stall in aid of the British Heart Foundation. Any bric a brac could be collected or dropped off. Please contact Gwen Jackson on 01508 550337 or text 07788932646.

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. To advertise please contact Ruth Maddison 01508 558701 ruthemaddison@gmail.com. The entry should be up to 3 lines on A5 at this sized text (extra fee for more lines) Entries by 15th August please to be included in September "Contact".

Sponsored churches cycle ride Saturday 12th September

Our county boasts some of the most beautiful and historically significant churches in the country, and it's right that the people of Norfolk should enjoy them. And what better way to see them than on your bike, enjoying the rural beauty of our fine county. Get yourself, your children, your family and friends on their bikes on **September 12th**. If you would like a sponsor form or if you could volunteer to sit in the churches to record the cyclists that visit us and also to offer refreshments. (usually 1 hour slots) please contact Jane 558787

WEA Saxlingham Nethergate Village Hall.

We don't want to think about Autumn, but the good news is that 1.30 to 3.00 on Thursdays, starting **17th September** at the Village Hall we begin hearing about The Russian World. It finishes in November with Russian food and with a Russian tea. If you would like to know more please ring Thelma on 01508 55 03 68. The course fee is £48.

Many thanks to the Shotesham Park Estate and the Village Association for hosting the walk and barbecue on the estate in June. A very enjoyable and interesting afternoon and evening.
Also thanks to the Village Association for organising the picnic at St. Martin's ruin. Typical English midsummer weather but a good time had by all...

Please check our website www.shotesham.com for all the latest information