CHURCH SERVICES

8	**10.45a.m.**	**Remembrance Service** on All Saints' Hill and afterwards in	All Saints church	John
22	9.30a.m.	Morning Service	All Saints'	Rachel

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 11.00am

Saxlingham Services 1st 9.30am Holy Communion,
15th 11.00am Morning Prayer, 29th 3.00pm Advent Carol Service

Church Flowers
All Saints -Jane Blease ,
St Mary's Polly Gould, Julia Moncrieff, Christine Howes

WHAT'S ON

1	Walking group	10.15 Trinity hall
4	Mobile library	10.15Grove 10.35 Street
4,11,18,25	Yoga	6.30 pm Trinity hall
5, 12,19,26	Warm welcome	2.00-4.00pm Trinity hall
5, 12,19,26	Table tennis	6.30pm Trinity hall
9	Parish Council meeting	7.30pm Trinity hall
10	Garden group talk	7.30pm Trinity hall
13	Shotesham Film Night -	7.30pm Trinity hall
21	Damian's Quiz Night	7.30pm Trinity hall
29	Craft Fair	10.00am-3.0 pm Stoke Holy Cross

Please note that the next 'Contact' will be a joint December/January issue. Items by 24th November please. Editor Pat Harris
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Thought from Dawn

Have you ever wondered what life would be like if you had everything you wanted? If there were no challenges to face, no questions to ask about why things are the way they are and if you didn't feel there was anything to aim for, anything to stretch your capabilities; what would you have to look forward to?

Nothing. You would already have it all.

We know that life isn't like that, it's not the way the world works. And yet sometimes we act and feel as though that's exactly what we expect. We seemed surprised when problems or challenges come our way.

Christians believe that the world was created perfect. But through unwise use of our God-given free will, we have messed things up. This explains so many of the problems we face. But beyond that, God wants us to live in reliance on him. For that reason, he doesn't grant our every wish or give us everything we want on demand. He longs for us to grow in the ways that really matter – love, patience, kindness, self-control…. to name but a few.

As we work towards our goals, and wait for results, may we grow in character and integrity.

With every blessing

Dawn

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Operation Christmas child The annual Shoebox Appeal for children in need in Central and Eastern Europe and parts of Africa. **This year, we're celebrating 30 years of Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts bringing joy to children in Ukraine!** As the war continues, the boys and girls there need our help more than ever.

Boxes and information leaflets available in All Saints church.
The final date for handing in the boxes will be on Remembrance Sunday, November 8th.

SHOTESHAM PARISH COUNCIL.

We have our Remembrance Sunday service on the **8th of November** at 10.45am. You are invited to join us on Church Hill, and then for a short service in the Church afterwards.

The Warm Welcome has now started for our winter get togethers. We meet in the Trinity Hall from 2 until 4pm every Thursday afternoon and as always everyone is welcome.

Our next meeting of the Council is on **Monday 9th of November in the Trinity Hall at 7.30pm.** Please come along if you have an interest in the workings of your Parish Council or feel you would like to be part of it after the elections next May

Garden Group

I am delighted to say that on **Tuesday 10th November** at 7.30 in the Trinity Hall we have a return visit from **Andrew Sankey.**

Andrew who is a garden designer, grower, speaker and writer gave us a very illuminating and entertaining talk 2 years ago and this time will be talking about the Dry Garden and his creation of a new Norwich garden in the last 4 years. Very appropriate considering the summer we have had!

Everyone is welcome to attend - cost £5.

PS If you are collecting seeds from your garden, you could pop some in an envelope and bring them along for a seed swap.

Shotesham Screen film

A Private Life

will be shown on **Friday November 13th** at the Trinity at 7:30pm. Tickets £5. All are welcome. Booking via Lindsay on 07702832033 or lindsayheywood3@gmail.com

Dr. Lilian Steiner is a renowned psychiatrist, working from her Paris home. When she learns of the death of one of her patients she is deeply troubled. Convinced that it was murder, she decides to investigate. A Private Life mixes Hitchcockian suspense, glossy aesthetics, and a playful streak of camp into an entertaining mystery that's held together by Jodie Foster's captivating presence.

Shotesham Village Association

Many thanks to Jim Clarke for an informative, and amusing, talk on Astley Cooper and Benjamin Gooch, plus a quick overview of the development of medicine and surgery. It made me even more grateful for modern techniques, anaesthetics and antibiotics!!

Coming events

Saturday November 21st 7.30 at the Trinity,

the return of the ever popular **Quiz night** with Damien.

Tables of 6, £1/person. - pay on the night. Bring your own drinks and snacks.

Booking is essential as numbers are limited –

Jo Nisbett jomccall71@gmail.com or 07904072977

Plus don't forget to contact Tom Higgin (Tomm.higgin@gmail.com or 07495417887) if you're interested in joining the handbell band for the Christmas Eve Carols. It's good fun and no prior experience is needed!

Christmas Craft Fair, Community Centre Stoke Holy Cross NR15 8LY November 28th 10-3pm

Gifts, cards, cakes honey and tombola and tea

Proceeds to the Cancer unit at the NNUH

Saxlingham Players

Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson,

2nd - 5th December, 7.30pm with a matinee at 2.30pm

at the Saxlingham Nethergate village hall.

Tickets £11, 16s and under £8. Booking advisable at Saxlinghamplayers.org.uk.

Poppies If, after Remembrance Sunday, you no longer need your red paper, British Legion poppies, could you pop them into the little boxes in either of the village telephone boxes, please and I will use them on the village War Memorial during next year. Thank you, *Rosemarie Gough.*