

# Shottisham Village Newsletter



## Vicar's Voice

Pentecost, or more as it is often better known, Whitsun, could be considered the Cinderella of Christian churches. In recent years, people rarely make much of this festival. Yet Pentecost is perhaps one of the most exciting of the church festivals, because it marks the moment when the church was born! Pentecost is celebrated as the Church's birthday, the day that God sent the Holy Spirit to inspire and empower ordinary Christians to do extraordinary things for Him. The Holy Spirit is given freely to all of us as a free gift from God. Jesus promised his disciples that we would receive this gift so that we might know his presence with us as we live out our faith on a daily basis.

*"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another comforter to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you..." - John 14:15-16*

The problem is when most of us think of comfort we think of the luxuries of life, like being wrapped up in a warm blanket or duvet when it's cold, fine dining and fine wine, an exotic holiday away from the strains and stresses of every day. We also think of comfort as something that consoles us when we are upset or in need. Whilst all these things are true, the word used in the New Testament has a completely different meaning to those we might expect. The word comfort is the same word that we find in relation to strengthening or stirring into action. The Bayeux Tapestry has a wonderful panel of Bishop Odo, forcing his men into battle, with the words which when translated means: "Here, Bishop Odo, comforts his troops." The Holy Spirit also empowers us to be the people God created and knows us to be, it fills us with God's wisdom and power for the tasks which he has called us to. On the day of Pentecost it is the Holy Spirit that takes the group of timid and bewildered disciples and equips them to declare the gospel message. Jesus before his Ascension had promised them that they would receive the Holy Spirit to equip them as His witnesses throughout the world.

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*"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."*

- Acts 1:8

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This power that comes with the Holy Spirit is there for us just as it was to the first disciples. It is power to live our lives as God intended, power to encourage us and to strengthen us for acts of service.

As we celebrate 70 years of service from Our Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth this month, one thing she has repeatedly said on many occasions, is how her faith has strengthened and encouraged her through all the changing scenes of her reign.

So as Pentecost approaches perhaps we need to think better of this often overlooked Christian Festival and celebrate the birthday of the church with a bit more style and flair! Maybe with a party, with balloons and cake too.

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

With love and blessings, Rev Mandy Xx

Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am	Shottisham	Morning Praise	Helene Berry
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> Rendlesham show weekend	11.00 am  6 pm	All Saints, Sutton Shottisham	Morning Praise  Evensong	Helen Shand
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	All Saints, Sutton	Holy Communion	Rev Mandy
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Shottisham	Family Communion	Rev Mandy

**JUNE CHURCH SERVICES**

The mobile library is at The Knoll on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>** 3.00 to 3.20 pm.



DAY	ALDERTON	ORFORD	ALDEBURGH	HOLLESLEY
Monday	8.00 to <b>14.30</b>	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to 18.30	13.30 to <b>17.30</b>
Tuesday	8.00 to 18.30	<b>CLOSED</b>	8.00 to 18.30	<b>CLOSED</b>
Wednesday	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to <b>13.00</b>	8.00 to 18.30	<b>CLOSED</b>
Thursday	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to <b>13.00</b>	8.00 to 18.30	<b>CLOSED</b>
Friday	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to <b>13.00</b>	8.00 to 18.30	<b>CLOSED</b>

**BANK HOLIDAY & STAFF TRAINING CLOSURE DATES**

The surgery will be closed on Bank Holidays Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June and Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

The surgery will be closed for staff training on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June from 13.00.

**When the surgery is closed please call NHS 111**

Face coverings

Please can all patients be aware that they must continue to wear a face covering when attending the surgery, unless they are exempt. This is to protect our patients, many of whom are vulnerable, and our staff, who are essential to our service.

Practice news

Any updates regarding practice closures, Covid vaccine clinics and other varied information will be shared on our website and our Facebook page.

[www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk](http://www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk)

<https://www.facebook.com/ThePeninsulaPracticeGPSurgery/>

**Shottisham WI**

Shottisham WI currently has 21 members and is always pleased to welcome more

We are pleased to have resumed our monthly meetings at the Trust Hall ,after the restrictions of Covid.

There is also a book club and craft club for WI members and we have enjoyed numerous walks and trips together.

Our two plant and cake sales have been well supported local village events. They enabled us to raise about £1,800.00 towards our hall insurance and upkeep. Thank you James Reid for renovating the folding tables.

We will be holding an open evening, with all welcome, on **Wednesday June 8<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm** at the Trust Hall. We will be entertained by a reputable speaker, Mark Mitchels. The subject of his talk is entitled "Characters of East Anglia." It will include stories of Maria Marten, Dick Turpin and Henry Blogg. The tickets will be £7.00 each and will include a glass of wine. Tickets available from Liz Cardnell telephone 01394 410252. The hall will open at 7.00pm with the speaker starting at 7.30pm. The proceeds will go towards the hall improvements fund, *Diane Fleming*, Shottisham WI secretary.

**THE SORREL HORSE**

The pub is celebrating the Jubilee weekend beginning with live music on Thursday June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6pm and finishing on Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup>. Many thanks, *Rebecca*

**Shottisham Campsite**

Well, May has been busy at Shottisham Campsite. We had 7 baby goats born at the beginning of the month. They are now out and about, bouncing and enjoying the sunshine. The two girls are called Shireen and Tahrir and will stay with my milking herd - ask me about their names one day at the cafe!

The cafe  
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is also open at weekends serving home-grown, brunches, lunches and course there is fantastic new espresso machine as you to everyone from the been up to support me, it is you all. Waffles will be back

menu this weekend after a machine malfunction! All the ham, sausages and bacon we sell are from our own pigs; the eggs are from hens; all dairy is organic and most fruit and veggies are home-grown smallholding (not the bananas offer vegan and gluten free amazing house salad (currently a the day with salad for lunch, or made - yes including the flat My bees are doing well and I am season. More next month, *Claire*



of the on the though!). options. Maybe try a bacon sandwich with the mix of leaves, herbs and flowers); the tart of hummus with flat bread and salad - all home-bread! hopeful there might be honey later in the xxxx



9.30- home-cakes. coffee well. village lovely on the our salad, We

**Quizzes** - Will now be at the **Alderton Swan** every other Wednesday starting at 8pm on **1<sup>st</sup> June**. Hope to see you all there as Kevin and Linda have been very accommodating.

**Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

The preparations are under way for the **Jubilee Street Party** and we hope that it will be as successful as the last one. We are going to need some help on the 5th June to set up collecting Tables/Chairs/Gazebo's etc., So if you can help in any way please can you contact **Ray on Telephone 01394/410331 or email [kayrymnd@aol.com](mailto:kayrymnd@aol.com)**

Just to remind all those coming to the Party that they need to bring their own cutlery, and a glass although we will have paper cups in case anyone forgets and we will have glasses for the toast. Also you can bring your own drinks although the pub will be open we are not sure for how long. Wrist bands will be issued to identify your food order, and will need to be handed in as you get your food. There will be a Raffle so don't forget to bring your money as it is for a good cause. The day will start with the Treasure Hunt for the children at 3pm and then we will have "Sing-a-Long" at 4pm and food will start around 4.30pm, you can turn up any time after 3pm. Parking will be sign posted for the Church Car Park.



Setting up for the day will be on Sunday morning, any help would be appreciated, exact time to be advised also help at the end of party as the road will have to be cleared.

**Food** - Although we have a **BBQ** organised we will need some salads (such as coleslaw/rice salad/potato salad etc.) & puddings (we are going to try and stick to the jelly & ice cream theme, such as jelly with fruit in it etc.) and would like the villagers to make these if possible as

homemade is much nicer than bought. We have a budget for this so if you would like to do something please make sure you let us have your expenses and we will reimburse you.

**Please note that at the party the tables and chairs will be reserved for the people who have booked, so if you are coming and bringing your own food you will need to let us know, so we can accommodate you.**

**Please contact Dawn on 01394/410331 or email dawnrosemarykay@aol.com**

**Raffle** - We will be doing a raffle on the day the money raised will go to support the ongoing improvements to the play area. If you have anything suitable for the raffle we would be grateful to receive it. **If you could please leave it with Pat Bendon, Houston, The Street. We can collect - call 01394/410331 or 01394/410470.**

**James Mallinder- East Suffolk District Councillor and the Parish Council** have been generous in supporting this event so let's make it a fun day for all.

Thank you, *Ray Kay/Dawn Kay*

### **Shottisham Parish Council**

## **Shottisham Parish Council AGM**

### **Elect a chair:**

Councillor Peter Widdup proposed that Councillor Ray Kay continue as Chairman for 2022-2023 and thanked him for all his hard work as chairman last year. This was seconded by Councillor Patricia Southgate and carried unanimously.

### **Public Forum:**

A parishioner wished to express their thanks to Councillor James Mallinder for the very good job that he is doing as our local councillor. His care of the community and the environment is much appreciated as is his generosity towards funding local projects. Parishioners feel very lucky to have him.

### **Update on Highways Issues**

Councillor Peter Widdup reported that following his meeting with Suffolk County Council the white lines and the SLOW sign approaching Ford Hill from Sutton have now been repainted. He was disappointed to note that this repainting did not extend to the SLOW sign in The Street.

### **Update on Playground Issues**

- **Maintenance issues**

Most of the issues that were highlighted on the inspection report have now been rectified. Andrew Frost's team have made a good job of fixing the posts up to the fort and installed a small anchor post on the loose post on the agility trail. Thanks go to Steve Crane for fixing bolt caps on most of the equipment that required them.

- **Football nets**

A company has been found who are able to provide robust, professional nets that should last for up to ten years if treated properly, at a cost of £89 plus VAT. Councillors agreed to purchase another set of nets in the hope that these might prove stronger and last longer than previous versions.

- **Installation of new play equipment**

The new play tractor has now been installed between the picnic tables and the toddler swings. Installers took away all the rubbish with them and came back to install the two hub caps that were missing from the original order.

**The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 7:30 pm in the Trust Hall.**

Full minutes from the Annual General Meeting and the Annual Parish Meeting can be found on the Shottisham Village website at <http://shottisham.suffolk.cloud>

**Lesley Roberts**, Clerk to Shottisham Parish Council [Shottishampc.clerk@gmail.com](mailto:Shottishampc.clerk@gmail.com) 01394 410581



Vivi raised over £100 for Ukraine with her table top sale – well done Vivi!

#### LOCAL INTEREST IN JUNE

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>** 9.30 pm lighting of beacon on The Pightle

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>** Bawdsey Fete 2-4pm

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>** Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations Shottisham from 3 pm

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>** Shottisham WI Open Meeting 7.30pm Mark Mitchells on Suffolk Characters

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>** Bawdsey Market at Village Hall 2-4pm

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>** Hollesley Fete 12.30pm at Recreation Ground

**Saturday/Sunday 25/26<sup>th</sup>** St Mary's Bawdsey Flower Festival 11am-5pm. Theme "70 years of Fashion"  
Teas etc. also 2 Gardens, Old Vicarage and Manor Cottage.

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>** Flower Festival Service Pimms & Hymns at 6.30pm St Mary's

Alderton Swan is now open Thursdays/Fridays/Saturdays 6-10pm and Sundays 12-3pm

Bawdsey café is open Friday, Saturday and Sunday 11 am to 5 pm

Marsh Farm RSPB Reserve Hollesley 10am-2pm every day

Thrift Shop Sutton Heath open Wed /Thur 9am-12 noon (Opposite Poppy's)

Poppy's Sutton Heath Mon-Thur 9am-12noon

**Sutton Hoo** is open all week

**Chair Based Exercises** Bawdsey Village Hall every Tuesday 11.15 -12.15 Contact Jane on 01394 411373.

Pat Bendon passed on the sad news that Billy Davies (Billy the Fish) died on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May. He will be greatly missed by the village.

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For contributions to the Shottisham newsletter please contact **Nicky Beaven 411861** or [nicky.rosecott@gmail.com](mailto:nicky.rosecott@gmail.com) by 25<sup>th</sup> of previous month. For church-related information please contact Rev Mandy E Reynolds [revmandy.rendlesham@yahoo.com](mailto:revmandy.rendlesham@yahoo.com)