



Making the Most of Life in the Final Quarter

What the Bible says about Discovering Fresh Purpose in Retirement

A Christian event with speaker, Ian Sanders

Saturday 22nd April
10-11am

9.45am for coffee and breakfast pastries
in the North Building
at All Saints Church
Little Shelford

"The righteous will flourish like a palm tree... They will still bear fruit in old age..."
Psalm 92:12-14

RSVP to the church office:
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All Saints
LITTLE SHELFORD



Around Little Shelford



A free course to help you manage your money better and learn to budget, save and spend well.



A three week course on alternate weeks:

Tuesdays at 7.30-9pm on 25th April, 9th May & 23rd May

It is helpful to commit to all three sessions

In the North Building at All Saints Church, Little Shelford

(far left corner of the churchyard)

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SPRING 2023

- ◆ Coronation plans
- ◆ Ukraine update
- ◆ French exchange 2023
- ◆ Easter services and events
- ◆ Cricket fixtures
- ◆ ...and more

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Thank you to all those who have contributed to this newsletter. Copy for the summer edition should be emailed (or delivered by hand to the Church Office in the North Building of All Saints Churchyard) by Fri 2 June 2023. As space is limited, articles should be fewer than 340 words and adverts should fit within half an A5 page. NB this newsletter is also available online at www.allsaintslittleshelford.org

Thank you to all who sent in entries to the spring photo contest. A shot by Brie Lury of the hawthorne blossom adorns our front cover.

Entry to the summer photo contest is now open.

Please email your entries to newsletter@allsaintslittleshelford.org

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Little Shelford Defibrillator

The Little Shelford defibrillator can be found attached to the wall of the rear kitchen extension at the Navigator Public House, 63 High Street. When you open the defibrillator the machine will talk to you and guide you through how to use it. The defibrillator contact on the Parish Council is David Munro, email: djm.munro@btinternet.com, telephone: 842399.

Waste and Recycling Bins Reminder

Tuesday	4 April	Black bin
Thursday	13 April	Green & blue bins
Wednesday	19 April	Black bin
Tuesday	25 April	Green & blue bins
Wednesday	3 May	Black bin
Tuesday	9 May	Green & blue bins
Tuesday	16 May	Black bin

See also <https://www.scams.gov.uk/bins/find-your-bin-collection-day>

Little Shelford Groups

Activity groups in grey. To include a group in this list or to change the contact details, please email newsletter@allsaintslittleshelford.org.

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from Rev Simon Scott
Rector of Little Shelford



Dear friends,

'Everything everywhere all at once' (with no commas to provide even a moment's pause) isn't just a good name for an Oscar-winning film. I often have the sense that it's a motto describing my own life. If only it was as simple as moving quickly from one thing to another – and then on to the next thing and the next thing and the next. My problem is that like the proverbial plate-spinner, I have the sense that everything is happening at once and I have to be in fourteen different places giving my attention to a gazillion competing situations and people.

Part of the film's appeal, I guess, is that many of us feel that pressure – whether from our work, from our family relationships, or from our financial burdens. The film hints that we all inhabit not a universe but a multi-verse, with different parallel dimensions and possibilities layered throughout our lives. Choose the good version of the story and run with that one – for your own sake and for the defeat of the evil powers!

Perhaps that choice only loads us with further pressure, to do the right thing. So as Easter approaches again, I am very thankful that I don't have to be the hero. The message of Easter is that Jesus Christ has come right into the mess of our world – which often appears chaotic or overshadowed by evil powers.

There is a lovely description of Jesus Christ in the Bible as the 'friend of sinners'. In other words he doesn't expect us to have our lives together, before he will have anything to do with us. Instead he comes right into our world, the real world where we live, with all the brokenness and wrong choices which each and every one of us has made.

He isn't a friend only of super-saints, but of sinners. Which is why he died on the cross on Good Friday and why the resurrection of Easter Day is a pointer towards such hope for the future. He comes to us all where we are – which is why the church, in his name, offers a welcome to everyone, whatever their background or their past. He comes in friendship to us, in whatever situation he finds us; but equally, he leaves none of us as he finds us, inviting us all to a transformed existence and a different end to our lives' stories.

Please join us at our services and special events – and become part of the adventure with us of knowing Jesus Christ as the best friend it is possible to have.

With love,
Simon Scott.

In Memoriam: The village has recently lost a number of much loved and valued residents. Nigel Penn died on 19 December, a memorial service being held in church on 20 January. Edward Toll died on 22 December, a memorial service being held in church on 18 January. Doreen Hurst died on 7 January with a funeral in church on 9 February.

Please do notify us of any life events of villagers to be recorded here, via: newsletter@allsaintslittleshelford.org.

PROVISIONAL COPY DATES 2023 - 2024

Edition	Copy by	Publication	Some Upcoming Events
Summer 23	2 Jun	10 Jun	Great Shelford Feast
Autumn 23	1 Sep	10 Sep	Fun weekend, Remembrance
Winter 24	1 Dec	10 Dec	Christmas, Pantomime
Spring 24	1 Mar	10 Mar	Easter, cricket fixtures

CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS

We continue to publish YOUR photos of Little Shelford on our front cover. Please send your top photos of village scenes, buildings, life, wildlife, etc. to newsletter@allsaintslittleshelford.org


Flowers for the KING
Creative flower design
by Cecilia Amies

Please join us for a women's event
 at All Saints Church, Little Shelford
 Thursday, 4th May 2023 at 19:30
 Please RSVP by 2nd May
office@allsaintslittleshelford.org


 Ceciliasflowers.co.uk

We hope that the Mike Paduano Science Prize will continue to inspire many more generations of children.

If you would like to donate to the Prize Fund in Mike Paduano's memory, please transfer donations to:

Shelford School Governors
20-17-19
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Anyone wishing to make a donation should use the reference 'SCIENCE' on their bank transfer.

If you are able to Gift Aid your donation, the form is available here: http://www.shelfordschool.org.uk/web/ssf_donations/552705

Mike's family are holding a memorial party at Little Shelford Pavillion from 2 -4pm on Sunday 4 June. Anyone who would like to come along would be welcome!

Clare Mellor
Parent Governor

*We live and work in harmony
 with love for one another
 so we can achieve our potential
 within a community of life-long learners.*

Great Shelford Friendship Group

We have happily re-started GREAT SHELFORD FRIENDSHIP GROUP for older men and women in the Parish Community Room at St Mary's Church from THURSDAYS from 2.30pm – 4pm weekly, term-time, until 30 March, then from 20 April until 6 July.

Open to former members and new ones! We still have spaces!
For more information, please contact (or just come along):
 Rosey Feuell, Lay Minister at Great Shelford St Mary's
 01223 213305/ roseyleaf@talktalk.net



Rosey Feuell

Great and Little Shelford Primary School

This year, Great and Little Shelford CofE Primary School is introducing a new Science Prize in memory of former teacher, Mike Paduano. The Prize will be awarded to a pupil for progress in Science and will be given out in the summer term each year, alongside the Philippa Pearce Prize for English and the new Ada Lovelace Prize for Maths.

Mike Paduano taught at Shelford for 25 years. Members of the current School Council remember fondly his enthusiastic and engaging science lessons. One former pupil remembers how she came home inspired to grow her own crystals after one of his lessons.

As a colleague, Mike was always supportive of others. He always went above and beyond: opening the school at the weekend for PTA events, helping with swimming pool maintenance, caring for the wildlife garden and even building a vegetable patch at the bottom of the school field. Mike gave every class different seeds to grow and then helped the children to plant, care for and harvest their produce.

As one teacher at the school, recalls:

The school holds many happy memories of working with Mike. He was particularly helpful when I started in Year 3 and had to research the history of the school. Alison Evans told me that Mike was the best person to speak with and he took me on a detailed tour of the site, explaining the configuration of the 2 original Victorian cottages and how the various buildings had developed from there. He was extremely knowledgeable and brought the history to life. I still take each year 3 class on the same route that Mike took me, pointing out the same features, but leaving out his robust views on the Victorian building material, clunch!

For many years, Mike was in charge of the annual May Pole dancing and the complicated dance moves he helped Year 6 students to undertake were very impressive.

In his teaching, he used real-life and practical opportunities to help children learn, even opening the bonnet of a colleague's Morris Minor to show his class how the engine worked!

His fall into the lake at Grafham Water on the Year 6 residential trip has gone down in school history, but every year, he made the trip memorable for his students.

He was incredibly knowledgeable and a whole generation of children in Great and Little Shelford were lucky to have him teach and inspire them.

Sunday Services at All Saints Parish Church

At the heart of what we do at All Saints are our Sunday services. We welcome people from all church backgrounds or none. Please do come and visit. The pattern of services is as follows:

9:30am family & children's service

Fun and Bible stories for children aged 0-11 and their parents/carers. This short (usually half hour) service is followed by age-appropriate groups in the Memorial Hall, North Building, and church. Our weekly group for 11-14s, Pathfinders, meanwhile meets in the Rectory throughout the period 9:30am to 10:45am.

11am morning service

Our second morning service has both an in-person congregation and an online one who watch the livestream together on Zoom. Please email if you would like to join the Zoom on Sundays (office@allsaintslittleshelford.org).

Sunday @ 6

An informal 6pm gathering with a range of ages, lasting for around an hour from 6pm. During Spring our sermons will follow the accounts of Isaac and Jacob in Genesis.

TNG, our youth group for 14-18 year olds, meets after the evening service during term.



Weekly Midweek Events

Homegroups meet on Monday/Wednesday evenings/afternoons. If you would like to know more or join one please speak to the Rector, Simon Scott (841998).

Women's Morning Group meets on Thursdays from 9:45am for Bible study and prayer. There is usually a crèche. Phone Christine Ayling (840405) to hear more.

All Saints Tots for babies, toddlers, and parents/carers. Wednesday AM from 9:30 in the village hall. Please email tots@allsaintslittleshelford.org for details.

EASTER SERVICES IN CHURCH

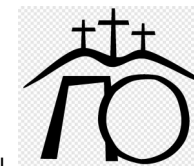
Maundy Thursday, 6 April 8pm Reflective communion service

Good Friday, 7 April 11am service, '7 Last Words from the Cross'

Easter Sunday 9 April 9:30, 11am, and 6pm services as usual, with an egg hunt in the churchyard after the 9:30

Please see the church website allsaintslittleshelford.org for the latest information.

Verse of the month for April: 'This is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another.' - 1 John 3:23



Little Shelford Local History Society



Little Shelford Memorial Hall

Monday 24 April 2023

Annual General Meeting

at 7.30pm

followed by Edward Keene on

'The History of the Coronation Service'

all welcome

Coronation Photos Project

The History Society Committee discussed at length how Little Shelford could celebrate the Coronation on 6 May. It was decided to produce a book of photographs recording Little Shelford people and their activities on Coronation weekend, supported by village business Cambridge Creative.

Residents may be at home on Coronation Day, with friends or family, on holiday in the UK or abroad. Wherever you happen to be on the day, we would very much appreciate receiving a photograph.

If you would like to participate and would be happy for the Society to publish your photograph, please email it to: David Martin davidm1961@gmail.com

When emailing your picture, please make sure you include the following:

- ◆ The name of the person who took the picture (as this person owns the copyright)
- ◆ The location, date and time the picture was taken
- ◆ Your telephone number so that we can get back to you if we need further information
- ◆ Any other details about the picture that may be useful for us to know

Thanking you in anticipation.

David Martin and Ray Saich

Shelford Twinning Association

EXCHANGE VISITS 2023

We are delighted to be arranging visits again after the pandemic. 2023 marks the 35th anniversary of the beginning of the Shelfords' twinning link with Verneuil-en-Halatte, a village situated about 30 miles north of Paris. The date of this year's visit to Verneuil is:



Shelford to Verneuil : Thurs 1 – Sun 4 June

Cost: Adults £95* Children £75* (second and subsequent children £50*)

The fare includes all travel, accommodation and meals (the only other expenses being a small gift for the host family, lunches on the days of travel, a little pocket money and your travel insurance for the four days). Travel is by coach from Great Shelford (channel crossing by tunnel).

The visit is for all, adults and children. The people in Verneuil are welcoming and friendly, and everyone is accommodated in families as the essence of twinning is getting to know each other on a personal level. Children of primary school age are especially catered for. The programme includes outings to places of interest, a morning in school for primary age children, and a party for all. It is not necessary to be able to speak French, but it's nice to try!

U-14s must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Closing date for applications: 22 April

For more information and a booking form please contact Sarah Haddow (sarah.haddow@talk21.com) or Colin Jefferson (colin@frenchfrogs.net)

The French visit to Shelford is scheduled 8 – 11 July 2023

It is not a requirement to host a French family, but it is fun to do so!

* Please note that it is a requirement for all travelling adults to be members of the Shelford Twinning Association. If you are not already a member, you will need to join at the time of booking (£10 single membership/£15 family). This is to avoid any possibility of falling foul of legislation which would deem us to be acting like a travel agent and, therefore, illegally.

For further information on the Association and on how to join please contact Penny Pearl (twinningsec@gmail.com).

Date	Ground	Home Team	Away Team	Fixture	Starts
15/04/23	Recreation Ground	Fen Ditton CC - Friendly XI	Friendly XI	Friendly	13:00
23/04/23	The Wale	Friendly XI	Bassingbourn - Friendly XI	Friendly	13:00
30/04/23	The Wale	Friendly XI	Cam Ceylon CC - 1st XI	Friendly	13:00
06/05/23	The Wale	1st XI	Elmdon CC - 1st XI	League	13:00
13/05/23	The Wale	1st XI	Ickleton CC - 1st XI	League	13:00
13/05/23	Burrough Green CC	Burrough Green CC - 1st XI	2nd XI	League	13:00
20/05/23	Recreation Ground	Bassingbourn CC - 1st XI	1st XI	League	13:00
20/05/23	Fulbourn Rec Ground	Fulbourn Institute CC - 2nd XI	2nd XI	League	13:00
27/05/23	The Meadow	Elmdon CC - 1st XI	1st XI	League	13:00
27/05/23	The Wale	2nd XI	Burrough Green CC - 1st XI	League	13:00
03/06/23	The Wale	1st XI	Sawston & Babraham 3rd XI	League	13:00
03/06/23	The Rec Ground	Haslingfield CC - 1st XI	2nd XI	League	13:00
10/06/23	Ickleton Jubilee Oval	Ickleton CC - 1st XI	1st XI	League	13:00
10/06/23	The Wale	2nd XI	Balsham CC - 1st XI	League	13:00
11/06/23	Abington CC Ground	Abington CC, Cambs - 2nd XI	2nd XI	Cup	14:00
17/06/23	The Wale	1st XI	Great Chishill CC - 1st XI	League	13:00
17/06/23	Saffron Walden Cty High School	Saffron Walden CC - 4th XI	2nd XI	League	13:00
24/06/23	The Wale	1st XI	Foxton Granta CC - 3rd XI	League	13:00
25/06/23	The Pavilion	Barrington CC, Cambs - 1st XI	1st XI	Cup	13:00
01/07/23	Fitzwilliam College	Cambridge NCI CC - 2nd XI	1st XI	League	13:00
01/07/23	Recreation Ground	Helions B-steard CC 1st XI	2nd XI	League	13:00
08/07/23	Babraham Park	Sawston & Babraham CC 3 XI	1st XI	League	13:00
08/07/23	The Wale	2nd XI	Helions B-steard - 1st XI	League	13:00
15/07/23	The Wale	2nd XI	Fulbourn Institute CC - 2 XI	League	13:00
22/07/23	Coton Rec Ground	Coton CC - 1st XI	1st XI	League	13:00
22/07/23	The Wale	2nd XI	Haslingfield CC - 1st XI	League	13:00
29/07/23	The Wale	1st XI	Coton CC - 1st XI	League	13:00
29/07/23	Balsham CC	Balsham CC - 1st XI	2nd XI	League	13:00
05/08/23	The Playing Field	Great Chishill CC - 1st XI	1st XI	League	13:00
05/08/23	The Wale	2nd XI	Saffron Walden CC - 4th XI	League	13:00
12/08/23	Hauxton Sports round	Foxton Granta CC - 3rd XI	1st XI	League	13:00
12/08/23	The Wale	2nd XI	Abington CC	League	13:00

GRANTA Medical Practices

Granta Medical Practices Update, April 2022

From 1 April 2023, Royston Health Centre (RHC) will be part of Granta Medical Practices (GMP). The practices are coming together to build on the existing practice strengths, pooling clinical and administrative teams to offer greater resilience and a wider choice of services for our patients. The aim of this is to provide a more stable model for delivering care within Royston and the surrounds.

Both GMP and RHC have been sharing their values and commitment to high quality clinical care over the past year and a full merger helps provide improved access and choice for our patients. The same doctors, practice nurses and staff will still be at RHC and you will still be able to see your chosen doctor as usual. For GMP patients, you will now have another surgery to choose from, should you wish to.

For the most part, patients of GMP and RHC should not notice any difference. There will be a slight delay in merging the computer systems (currently estimated around the end of April) but after that any GMP patient may be seen at a GMP surgery of their choice. If there are any specific changes or additions to services we will of course let you know. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us via the GMP website www.grantamedicalpractices.co.uk or feel free to call in.

Sandra East

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From Your Parish Council

Before the update I would just like to thank you for the warm welcome I have received as your new Parish Clerk. As I always say, there is a lot of similar work between councils as there are always potholes, but every council does things slightly differently, so I have been busy getting to know how Little Shelford operates.

As part of the SCOWP project rams will be grazing the grass on part of the Jubilee Orchard and Blennie's patch from early June, although this is slightly weather dependent. There will be electric fencing so please take care and keep dogs on leads.

Your Parish Council are also forming a Pavilion and Wale Recreation Users Group and are looking for some volunteers, especially parents whose children use the playground. The workload should not be too onerous.

A survey is being put together to seek your opinions on a number of local issues. We should value your input into this. Finally, the Annual Village Meeting will be held in the Memorial Hall on 20 April. Look out for further details.

Beckie Whitehouse

Parish Clerk

Green Groups in the Shelfords, Stapleford & Sawston (2G3S)



How lovely that Spring is here, the daffodils are flowering and the birds are nesting! **Events coming up:**

Dr Bike volunteers continue to mend cycles at the Slaughterhouse in Stapleford every Thursday afternoon, 3pm to 5.30pm.

Social cycle ride

Monday 17 April. Join us for a leisurely ride on quiet roads and traffic-free paths of around 20 miles, to include a coffee stop. Start at 10am at Stapleford Pavilion, returning by about 1pm. Next date 15 May. Book here: greener@sawston.org.

Nature Walk

Saturday 22 April. Join John O'Boyle for an informal nature walk along Jenny's path towards Hauxton, meeting at 2pm by the signposted entrance gate on Church Street, Great Shelford, opposite the junction with King's Mill Lane. We hope you can get to the walk by foot or by cycle as nearby car parking is restricted. Wear suitable footwear and clothing, and walks are at attendees' own risk. Next walk date is 20 May, at Little Shelford Community Orchard and Woodland. Come and see the nature on your doorstep!

Repair Café

Also on Saturday 22 April, 2pm to 4.30pm. Whittlesford is holding a repair café at United Reformed Church, Duxford Road, Whittlesford, CB22 4ND. Bring along your broken item and a skilled volunteer will help you fix it. They can tackle a wide variety of repairs, typically including clothes and fabrics, electrical items, jewellery and other items.

No Mow May and Bloomin' June

If you have a lawn and wish to help our wildlife this Summer, consider giving the lawn mower a rest to allow wildflowers to develop during May, then let it 'bloom in June'. You may be surprised at the number of nectar-producing plants that appear, such as orchids, to the benefit of bees which are important pollinators for our food plants. The Plantlife charity initiated the 'No Mow May' scheme and their web site gives more details, including the improvements to biodiversity.

Note it's important to remove the cuttings after the flowering season so a thatch does not build up to suppress more delicate plants. Also to make the area look tidy, keep a neat edge around the site by conventional mowing, or maybe mow a path through? Look up No Mow May on the internet, or to find out biodiversity gains in detail look at plantlife.org.uk/uk/about-us/news/no-mow-may-how-to-get-ten-times-more-bees-on-your-lockdown-lawn. Send in to our email address any photos of the wildflowers and butterflies you see, and we can put them on our website.

Helen Hale

Little Shelford Cricket Club (LSCC)

2023 Season News: GM Update, Nets on the Wale and Adult Fixtures Announced

LSCC held a successful AGM on the afternoon of Sunday 5 February 2023. Officers were elected for all posts and Captains Appointed. Matthew Beale will Captain the 1st XI and Alistair Pringle will Captain the 2nd XI while Chris Schofield remains as Club Captain. Ian Reid continues as our Junior Section coach assisted by Jamie Harrison. We also took a moment to remember 2 LSCC VP's who had sadly passed away since we last met, Edward Toll and Nigel Penn.

We confirmed some key dates for the 2023 Season, the Festival of Cricket will be on Saturday 9 September on the Wale Recreation Ground while the Annual Dinner will be held in the Little Shelford Memorial Hall on Saturday 30 September. Winter nets have been going well with good attendance at Senior and Junior nets sessions. We are optimistic that it is going to be a good season for Juniors and Seniors.



**LITTLE SHELFORD
CRICKET CLUB**

At the time of *Around Little Shelford* going to press the Senior Fixtures have been confirmed and for those who like to watch our teams play are listed overleaf. Spectators and supporters are welcome at all our games. Junior fixtures including mid-week games will be announced as soon as possible and posted on the Wale Pavilion notice board and the LSCC Notice Board in the Navigator but as a reminder you can find all the fixtures as well as match results and statistics for Seniors and Juniors at: <https://littleshelford.play-cricket.com/home>

Wale NETS Practice for Junior and Senior Players – All welcome

Finally, new and existing players, both boys and girls and men and ladies are welcome to our NETS sessions planned for the Wale from April onwards. For information regarding nets sessions contact: Neil Orpwood (neilorpwood@msn.com 07866 751651).

Support LSCC by becoming a Vice-President or Sponsor

We are lucky to have a thriving Village Cricket Team but always welcome new Vice Presidents who want to see Cricket thrive in the Village, as well as new sponsors. For more information about our VP's and Sponsorship opportunities contact **David JH Jones**, Chairman, LSCC (01223 847213 or davidjhjones@btinternet.com).

Shelford Community Orchard and Woodland Project (SCOWP)

The Jubilee Orchard at Blennie's Patch

Thankfully we have had very few losses in the orchard, despite the very cold snaps we have had, and it is gratifying to see slight stirrings of Spring!

Since September a large portion of the paddock to the left of the existing orchard, as approached from Garden Fields, has been turned over to SCOWP and will be developed over the coming years. So far it has been mown mechanically, being far too large an area and the grass too overgrown for scything.



Seven new standard trees have been planted and new paths will be established and maintained. This new land has approximately doubled our meadow area and we're excited to have a new project! We hope to investigate sustainable planting which will reflect how the climate is changing.

Julie Darsley

LITTLE SHELFORD WILDLIFE GROUP

We cut the hedging around the bowling green on the recreation ground, ready for the bird life to find their nesting places.

We also had a tidy up, clearing and burning a lot of the dead wood around.

Enjoy our lovely wildlife areas.

Diana Haines



Open Arms In Shelfords and Stapleford (OASISS)

Seeking ongoing homes for our Ukrainian guests

As the war in Europe continues, we have over 100 Ukrainians enriching our small villages. Of these, about a third have secured homes independently from their hosts and a few are risking return to Ukraine. There remain about 50 established guests who are seeking accommodation in the villages because they have children in nearby schools; another move would be very traumatic, and **rematching** is an option if willing hosts can be found.

We are seeking for housing for these individuals and families, which could take several forms, but we are asking you all:

Have you considered taking an individual or family for a period of 6 months? Almost all our hosts have found this a rewarding experience, but some feel (after 6 months to a year) that they would like to 'reclaim' their homes. The government and the County Council provide £500 monthly for welcoming Ukrainian guests in your home.

Do you have a rental property that you could offer to a Ukrainian family? The government and SCDC is making this easier in several ways: the government will pay rent according to need under the Universal Credit scheme, there are also discretionary payments available to help with rental payments; if needed, SCDC will pay the deposit and will pay up to a maximum of one month's rent in advance direct to the landlord. Please consider this before putting it with an agent.

We have had requests from Ukrainians still in Ukraine with a link to others already in our community, all from the most war-torn areas:

- ◆ A mother and teenage daughter, the daughter has been awarded a place at a 6th form college in Cambridge
- ◆ A mother and her 3 year-old, the mother a great friend of our Ukrainian English-language teacher
- ◆ A mother and her two daughters
- ◆ A grandmother, her daughter and her grandson

If you can help in any way, please contact us at openarmsgranta@gmail.com
Thank you for all you do for our OASISS guests - in so many different ways!

Caroline Kingdon



Cambridge Cake Creators

Cambridge Cake Creators meet on the 3rd Thursday of the Month. We meet in the Pavilion at Stapleford. Our meetings start at 7.30pm - 9.15pm. Visitors: £10 and Members: £5 which also includes tea/cake. For more information contact Vanda on (01223) 561053 or email: vanda.butler@googlemail.com. We are a friendly group

with all abilities, you just need to have an interest in baking.

Vanda Butler



Coronation Events in Little Shelford



The team organising the weekend has been working on events to celebrate the Coronation over the extended Bank Holiday weekend of 6 to 8 May. We want it to be a weekend of memorable community fun for all ages, whether Royalist or Republican.

Little Shelford History Society will host a Coronation talk and create a commemorative book (see separate details in *Around Little Shelford*).

Full details of all the events with detailed timings will be distributed across the Village closer to the weekend but here is our planned schedule of events.

Monday 24 April 7.30pm: "History of The Coronation Service" in the Memorial Hall

Little Shelford History Society presents a talk by Edward Keene, Curate at All Saints Little Shelford, on the history of the Coronation Service.

CORONATION DAY—6 MAY

Saturday 6 May: Public Screening of the Coronation in the Memorial Hall

The Memorial Hall will be open for a free communal viewing of the Coronation processions and service on the big screen from approximately 10.30am until 2.30pm. There will be free coffee and tea and we hope the Navigator will be running a small pay bar with beer, wine and soft drinks. Residents can bring snacks, sandwiches and flags to wave.

Saturday 6 May 3pm [TBC]: "Ring for the King"

All Saints Little Shelford

Our bell ringers at All Saints will be "Ringing for the King" as part of a country wide celebration using Church Bells.



Saturday 6 May 8pm: Coronation Sing-a-long in the Navigator Marquee

The Platinum Jubilee saw a very enjoyable evening sing-a-long so we are repeating this to celebrate the Coronation. David Adams will again be co-ordinating the songs and music with a Coronation theme.

CORONATION SUNDAY—7 MAY

Sunday 7 May 9.30am and 11am: All Saints Church Coronation Services

Both Sunday morning services at All Saints will have hymns, songs, readings and a talk reflecting on the Coronation of King Charles III. The 9.30am is family friendly and the 11am is more traditional.

Sunday 7 May 1pm – 5pm: Family bring and share Coronation picnic and Party at the Pavilion on the Wale

A Coronation Picnic Lunch for all ages. Bring your own picnic and drinks. Plans are still being formulated but we hope there will be a fancy dress competition (Kings and Queens) for all ages, music and family games. Other suggestions are welcome.

Sunday 7 May 6pm onwards [TBC]: Coronation Windsor Concert shown in the Marquee at the Navigator

The Coronation concert from Windsor Castle will be broadcast live on the big screen in the Marquee of the Navigator.

Monday 8 May 2-5pm [TBC]: "Big Help Out"

Afternoon Tea in the Memorial Hall

Monday has been set aside as the "Big Help Out" day so we will be holding a traditional afternoon tea (bring and share) at the Memorial Hall. The volunteers who hold the monthly village teas on a Wednesday will be hosting us but all other Village Voluntary groups will be there to help and to share a little about what they do. It should be a special family afternoon that highlights all the volunteering that goes on across the Village.



The Team organising the events would welcome new members and also volunteers over the weekend to help with the events. If you are interested please contact Beckie Whitehouse, Parish Clerk (littleshelfordparishclerk@gmail.com 07480 242390), David Jones, Parish Councillor (DavidJHjones@btinternet.com 01223 847213) or Jo Boyle, Secretary LSEC (joboyle780@gmail.com 01223 843984).