

Trade Directory

Architectural Services - for advice and free quotation, contact.....	Mark Woods.....	01508 498805
Oil boiler services: servicing/commissioning & breakdown repairs	Chris Clarke 1-service/2 - emergency....	07377 516660/07912 146619
Central heating/boiler engineer (gas/LPG) - Gas Safe registered	Kennerson (Boiler Champ Ltd)	07874 007263/01508 473080
DKC Oil Boiler Servicing and breakdowns	David	07375 995198
Oil Boiler Services - for enquiries: em Enquiries@JAboilers.co.uk	James Allen.....	07526 052222
Car servicing/repairs/MOT prep etc	Mike Curtis.....	01508 550293/07753 182065
Airport transfer specialist/Chauffeur hire. www.peterrudlingtravel.co.uk.....	Ben Rudling info@peterrudlingtravel.co.uk ..	07545 560565
The Village Chimney Sweep of Saxlingham - City and Guilds	Ben Hampton.....	07920 585518
Computer repairs, virus removal & more - www.pcassistonline.co.uk	Darren Rose	01508 471459
Coco's Dog Grooming - holistic grooming, washes/full grooms, etc.....	Rachael Hill	07812 753750
Electrician - ICD Domestic Electrics	Ian and Caroline Duerden.....	01508 813802/07790 273689
Foot Care Practitioner - all treatments (diabetics welcome)	Mandy Baker.....	07398 402620
Funeral Services (Poringland based offices)	R B Copping	01508 494434
HR Consultant- advice and support on employment matters	Lucy - Lucy@mustardhr.co.uk.....	07809 227222
Garden Design and Maintenance garre gardensign@gmail.com	James Garrec.....	07551 660485
Gutter Tech, Clearing, Cleaning, Repairs. guttertechnorfolk@gmail.com	Charlie (Nick Charles)	07982 452351
Landscaping and gardening, patios, fencing, brickweave drives etc	Rachel Cooke (Arkscape)	01508 470482
Interior/exterior painting and decorating	Michael Wiseman.....	07941 699232
Live honey bee removal from chimneys and wall cavities	Louise - louise@buzz-off.co.uk	07876 141153/01603 259945
Lady Mole Catcher for all pest and wildlife management problems	Louise - louise@ladymolecatcher.co.uk....	01603 259945/07876 141153
Pet sitting service - cats, dog walking and other animals	Jo Sanders - jsanjcook@yahoo.co.uk	07902 393078
Rachel's Pets and Pads House Sitting Service.....	Rachel Bull (née Moore)	07393 658663
Plumbing and bathroom installation.....	Neil Prior	01508 489359/07713 352494
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Washing machines, etc. - all repaired	Michael Jay	01603 499578/07884 25292
Washing machines, cookers, dishwashers, fridge freezer etc repairs	Ashley Yallop.....	01603 433083/07525 150999
Saxlingham Nethergate Village Hall Bookings.....	Claire Smith - e-mail saxlinghambookings@gmail.com	
Community Emergency Co-ordinator	Bryn Austin	01508 499757/07788 795666
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If you would like to advertise in the Trade Directory, please do get in touch with the Editor.

Saxlingham Contact May 2025

Chapel Talk



As I sat in my office recently, I took a pause from working and found myself looking at the clock. As I watched the hands moving round, it really struck me how quickly the minutes pass and how time is so central to all we do. Everything is governed by time, especially now in the 21st century; whether it's work, meals, leisure activities, or sleep. When I was a babe and wept and slept - time crept. When I was a boy and laughed and talked - time walked. Then, when the years saw me a man - time ran. And finally, as I older grew - time flew...

I also reflected on the fact that time is either past, present or future. I recently read a challenging quote. 'The best way to destroy today is to regret yesterday and worry about tomorrow.' How easy it is to get caught in that trap, whereas we actually need to live in 'the now'. Jesus recognised this trait in people and in Matthew's gospel chapter 6 vv25-34 he really encouraged them not to worry about tomorrow. After all, we don't know what tomorrow consists of? But God does. So rather than waste time worrying, take time to pray; trust God; and live in 'the now'.

Ian

This edition is sponsored by Paula and Tim Dodd in memory of **Harley** our greatly missed weimaraner with whom we shared Nethergate House, Pitts Hill, for 12 of his 14 years



ST MARY'S SERVICES

4 May: 9.30 am - Holy Communion

11 May: 11.00 am - Matins

18 May: 9.30 am - Holy Communion

25 May: 8.00 am - Holy Communion

25 May: 11.00 am Contemplative Worship

CHAPEL SERVICES

Every Sunday at 11.00 am and 6.30 pm

All are warmly invited

How to contact the teams:

Contact Rev'd Dawn Davidson at The New Rectory, The Street, Saxlingham Nethergate, Norwich, NR15 1AJ; tel 498924; e-m: dawndavidson@btinternet.com

Contact Pastor Ian Masson at 73 Blithemeadow Drive, Norwich, NR7 8PY; tel 07778 347461; e-m: ianmasson1@btinternet.com

Contact Rev'd Austin Uzoigwe at The Rectory, Church Hill, Tasburgh, NR15 1NB; tel 470901; e-m: revaustinuzoigwe@aol.com

Contact Rev'd Rachel Hayden at The Rectory, Church Lane, Newton Flotman, NR15 1QB; Tel 01508 826971; e-m: racheljhayden@outlook.com

Useful Information Sharing

Don't forget to look at the PC's website for useful information – saxlinghampc.wixsite.com/saxlinghampc (or just Google Saxlingham PC). Anyone wishing to add useful items, please send them to our Parish Clerk, Julie King at saxlinghamnethergatepc@gmail.com

News from the Pews

Easter Flowers - The church looked splendid after Easter with all the spectacular floral arrangements. I hope lots of people were able to see the displays. It always seems so colourful after the weeks of Lent, when there are no flowers. Thank you again to the people who sponsored a lily in the name of a loved one.

Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting, The Church Room - The date for this meeting is 22 May, starting at 7.30 pm. It is open to all and anyone who is on the electoral roll may ask questions. Reports are given by the Fabric Officer, the Electoral Roll Officer and the Deanery Synod representative, amongst others, reminding everyone of the activities for the past year. When the annual meeting is completed, the Council immediately holds its first meeting of the new term.

One item on the agenda for the first meeting will be planning for future events. Plans for the Fete are progressing but please do offer to help if you would like to do so.

Foodbank Donations - In April I was so pleased to be able to take 8 bags of food to the Foodbank from the village. Items requested this month are: tinned meat/vegetables/fruit; long life milk; rice (including microwave packets); custard or rice pudding; teabags (small 40s or 80s boxes); instant mashed potatoes; sponge pudding; pasta sauce; Penguin biscuits (or own brand).

Cindy Brookes, cindylbrookes@icloud.com, tel 398521

THE SAXLINGHAM PLAYERS
PRESENT
AGATHA CHRISTIE'S
SPIDER'S WEB



WEDS 11TH – SAT 14TH JUNE 7.30PM
SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE VILLAGE HALL

Adults: £10 - 16 and under: £6

Book in advance on 07740947482 or saxlinghamplayers.org.uk



Cinema Trips—all at 7.30 pm

6 May - Fisher Theatre, Bungay - "Conclave" Cardinal Lawrence tasked with leading Conclave to select a new pope finds himself at the centre of a web of conspiracies and intrigue. Tickets available from the Fisher Theatre priced at £7.00 each.

9 May - Poringland Community Centre - "Wicked". A prequel of the Wizard of Oz, this Fantasy film set in the Land of Oz features the future wicked witch of the West and her relationship with her friend who is set to become Glinda the Good. Tickets £5.00 on the door (including tea or coffee). Doors open at 6.45 pm

20 May - Newton Flotman Village Centre - "Juror #2". While serving as a juror in a high-profile murder trial, a family man finds himself struggling with a serious moral dilemma, one he could use to sway the jury verdict and potentially convict or free the wrong killer. Doors open at 7.00 pm. Tickets £5.00 each available from William Ball on 471506 or e-mail him at william.ball@outlook.com.

Saxlingham Village Voice

Don't forget to sign up to Village Voice which is full of useful and interesting information and is organised by Cathy Harvey. She does not release your e-mail address to the wider community and so all you need to do to join this distribution list is e-mail her at saxlinghamvillagevoice@gmail.com.



Saxlingham Walkers

For our next walk, we will first meet at the Saxlingham Church car park on Saturday, 31 May, at 9.30 am. We'll drive to Bungay and park at the common next to the golf club car park before walking a circular route via Outney Common and Earsham. We return through Bungay; it will be about 2 1/2 hours and 6 miles. Bring stout walking shoes for uneven ground, and coffee/ refreshments for sustenance along the way. Any queries: please contact Anne on 07939 504896 or annemfry@gmail.com. All are welcome!

The Wensum Antiques Society

Lecturer Jonathan Dutton (Fine Art Auctioneer and Historian) is giving talks on social history, antiques and art on Friday mornings between 10.00 am and 12.00 noon at the Mangreen Country House. Please contact Chris Lacey on 499700 for further information.



South Yare Art Trail

Artists & Makers open their studios to the public where you can see, experience & buy art

Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th June 2025
Open 10am to 4pm - Free Entry

There will also be an art workshop, demonstrations, exhibition, open gardens & refreshments to enjoy along the trail. Please see our website to plan your visit.

www.SouthYareArtTrail.co.uk

Contact deadline

Please note that the deadline for **May's** edition is **Thursday 15 May**. Don't forget there is a parish photocopier available for use at very reasonable rates. Please contact me with contributions/sponsorship by telephone on 498277 or e-m: stevens.t@btinternet.com or at home, 6 Pitts Hill Close, Saxlingham Nethergate, Norwich, NR15 1AZ.

Teresa Stevens

Craft Fair on Saturday 24 May from 9.00 am – 4.00 pm Community Centre Stoke Holy Cross.

Lots of craft stalls * refreshments * raffle
 In Aid of Colney Centre/Big C. NNUH
 To book a table contact Jill 01508 494359

Notes from the Parish Meeting held on 7 April 2025

Saxlingham Nethergate's Annual Parish Meeting held on 7 April provided an opportunity for the whole village to come together to hear the PC's annual report regarding its work over the past year. It also gave an opportunity for all the village groups, charities and other organisations to report on their achievements throughout the past year. The meeting was very positive and it was amazing that such a small village as ours had so much going on. Thank you one and all for your hard work in making Saxlingham such a thriving and happy place to live in.

Sadly Roger Stocks our chairman announced his retirement after 18 years. He was presented with an engraved decanter in recognition of all his hard work over the years. Thank you Roger.

Notes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 7 April 2025

Public Open Forum : Concern regarding the heavy ,speeding traffic going through the village early morning and evening was raised as a result of the A140 roadworks. Monitoring the traffic numbers and speeds is undertaken by the SAM2 device and passed onto the police. We have also requested that the police come along at peak times to record speeding motorists.

Vacancy: A vacancy exists for an additional parish councillor. If interested, please come along to the next meeting in May to observe how the council operates and what duties councillors undertake.

East Pye Solar: We as a PC are working hard together with the other local parish councils to promote the campaign against East Pye Solar proposals in order to provide a unified opposition.

VE anniversary celebration: Plans are going well for our Victory in Europe celebration on Thursday 8 May. Tickets are still available priced £15 to include punch on arrival and a sausage and mash supper. To book tickets call 01508 826516 or email secretary@sn-villagehall.co.uk

War Memorial site: Investigations are underway into providing corner pillars to be erected to prevent lorries damaging the newly sown grass verges.

Allotments: There is one plot available. If interested please contact our clerk Mrs Julie King saxlinghamnethergatepc@gmail.com.

Next Meeting is scheduled for Monday 19 May 2025. The full minutes of this and all other PC meetings are available on the website:

<http://saxlinghampc.wixsite.com/saxlinghampc>

The Grand Village Fete 12 July 2025 in the grounds of the Old Hall

Organisation of the Grand Village Fete is coming together, but we still need YOU to make it work. Don't be shy. Get in touch soon!

If you have any bric a brac (please only provide items which are in saleable condition) or suitable raffle prizes to donate, please drop them off at the Church, leaving them in the marked areas within the children's space where it will be sorted.

Teresa

Church Crawl on 10 May 2025

You are invited to attend the Annual Church Crawl, which is due to take place on Saturday, 10 May. In the south-easterly corner of our county, we start at Hales, south of Loddon, at 10.00 am. Its Satnav reference is NR14 6QN. We're also due to visit Norton Subcourse, Haddiscoe, Fritton and Lound churches, with lunch, if you wish, at The Bell, St. Olaves. Round towers are a beguiling feature of our East Anglian landscape. There are less than 200 in England, and most are in this area. The question that has intrigued visitors for centuries is 'WHY are they round?' We shall also make our way to a little rural church much renovated and beautified in Victorian times by the architect Sir J. Ninian Comper - his attentions gave it the nickname, 'The Golden Church'. So what is so amazing that I have actually deserted the Middle Ages?!

To book a place, please phone me on 01508 558182, or email me at roguecrew21@gmail.com - this helps with catering arrangements. The fee for the day is still £10.00, and it is all given to St. Mary's, as the organ is still making peculiar noises, and the organist is infinitely worthy of our support. Thankyou.

Kate Smith

Vacancy for Saxlingham United Charities Clerk

Saxlingham United Charities are looking for a clerk to provide administrative support and manage their accounts. The Trustees meet twice per year to review their assets, manage the land they own and decide on distributions. The job isn't onerous, around 20 -25 hours per year and is paid, a full handover will be provided. If you'd like to assist the Charity and feel you have the skills required please contact the current clerk, Julie King – saxlingham.uc@gmail.com or Chair, Linda Kent - linda.kent30@gmail.com

Village Hall Website

Don't forget to visit the village hall website
<https://saxnethergatevillagehall.co.uk/>