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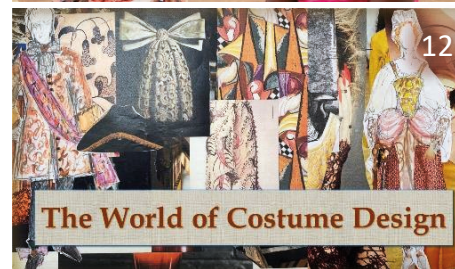
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Welcome

## In truth and action

Act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly... (Micah 6.8)

Dear Friends,

Issues of poverty and justice have always been on God's heart. Throughout the Bible, we see that God is consistently on the side of the last, the least and the lost, and he calls his people to live in ways which honour, lift up and restore those who find themselves at the bottom of the pile.

Around the world today, many people face huge challenges. Prices for everyday items are soaring for everyone, but compound this with poverty, and the impact of disasters such as the recent cyclones in Malawi, and some of the world's very poorest have lost even the little they had. Over 500,000 people in Malawi are now displaced, their crops washed away and their livelihoods destroyed. Hearing this should break our hearts, as it does God's, and move us to action.

**"Let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action."** 1 John 3.18

Christian Aid has been working around the world since 1945, helping the poorest and most in need, particularly in times of crisis. In Malawi, Christian Aid are now helping farmers to buy better quality seed, secure better prices for their crops, and rebuild their lives toward a brighter future.

Here at St Andrew's Church, you will have a chance to hear more about the work of Christian Aid at our service at 10am on 21 May,

Of course, Christian Aid Week (14-20 May) gives us all a special chance to join in with this amazing, transformative work, through our financial and prayerful support.

Our Christian Aid organiser here at St Andrew's is Mark Currie; Mark gives us an insight into their work in this magazine (*on page 11*), and he also explains how you can donate directly to Christian Aid. Their website also has many prompts for prayer.

**Do join us...**

Finally, you may like to exercise your brain cells further, and join us at church for the Christian Aid Quiz on Friday 19 May at 7.30pm – it is always a great evening!

Full details, on page 7, explain how you can participate.



Patricia  
Curate

# News & Notes

## See the Coronation at St Andrew's!

We are delighted that we will be showing the live TV coverage of the Coronation, on Saturday 6 May, here at St Andrew's. (The precise timing of the morning has not been announced as we go to press – see the website for the latest details)

This will be a communal event for anyone who would like to enjoy watching the event with friends. We will be using the big screen, so everyone can see, so come along and enjoy the atmosphere!



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Most of our services are also streamed online, so you can watch them, live or later on, if you can't get to church. And you can listen to audio recordings of sermons.

You can use the card machine in the vestibule to make a donation to St Andrew's, or click on the 'Easy way to give online' button on the main page of our website.

Keep in touch!



This year for **Thy Kingdom Come** we will be encouraging everyone to spend the days between Ascension and Pentecost 'Praying for Five' friends or family to come to know the life transforming love of Jesus. Special prayer cards will be available, to help us to remember and pray for our Five.

We will also be focussing in prayer for the schools and businesses in our community, with Patrick D and Patrick F co-ordinating respectively.

Full details will follow, but if you any have particular questions at this stage, please do in touch. *Patrick Davies*

## Praying for Frances

As Frances begins her treatment, a number have committed to pray regularly for her, and for Jolyon. We meet in the Lady Chapel in church at 12:15pm on the second Wednesday each month. You are most welcome to join us.



"That's two t's in Matthew," said George

## St Andrew's Christian Aid Week Quiz Night

19 May 2023 7.30pm



We are holding a quiz evening on 19 May at 7.30pm in the church to raise money for Christian Aid Week so that more work can be done supporting the world's poorest people deal with the deprivations caused by poverty.

Teams of 6-8 will compete for the famed St Andrew's Quiz Night Trophy and the teams taking part are being built at the moment.

If you are not yet part of a team, please contact Mark Currie on [mark.currie@standrewsoxshott.org.uk](mailto:mark.currie@standrewsoxshott.org.uk) or 07818 034323, and he will make sure you join a friendly group!

## Annual Meeting update...

We held our APCM at church on Sunday 2 April, and were very grateful to Revd Renos Pittarides, our Area Dean, who chaired the meeting in Frances' absence, and to Patrick Fleming who acted as Lay Chair.

We are pleased to report that Jill Perrett and Rebecca Mayhew remain as churchwardens, and that Ros Ebbutt-Hadman and Steph Rustom are to become our new Deanery Synod members. The PCC at present remains unchanged.

Anna Jarrett stepped down from her role as PSO due to work commitments - our thanks go to her for all that she has done over the last few years. On the financial side, Carl Jackson did a sterling job as usual of presenting the church accounts for 2022 and the budget for 2023, both of which were endorsed by the meeting.



## Church Services in May

Tue	2	9am Pray Together, via zoom
Wed	3	11.30am Holy Communion (said) 12.15pm Prayers for Frances
Thu	4	9am Pray Together, via zoom
Sat	6	<b>The Coronation of King Charles III</b> 9am Saturday Prayers in the Lady Chapel
Sun	7	<b>The fifth Sunday of Easter</b> <i>King of Kings</i> 10am St Andrew's at 10
Tue	9	9am Pray Together, via zoom
Wed	10	11.30am Holy Communion (said)
Thu	11	9am Pray Together, via zoom
Sat	13	9am Saturday Prayers in the Lady Chapel
Sun	14	<b>The sixth Sunday of Easter</b> <i>Peter - From Failure to Restoration</i> 10am St Andrew's at 10 4pm St Andrew's@4
Tue	16	9am Pray Together, via zoom
Wed	17	11.30am Holy Communion (said)
Thu	18	<b>Ascension Day</b> 9am Pray Together, via zoom 7pm Ascension Day: Holy Communion
Sat	20	9am Saturday Prayers in the Lady Chapel - <i>Thy Kingdom Come</i>
Sun	21	<b>The seventh Sunday of Easter</b> <i>The Disciples - From Then to Now</i> 10am St Andrew's at 10
Tue	23	9am Pray Together - <i>Thy Kingdom Come</i> , via zoom
Wed	24	11.30am Holy Communion (said)
Thu	25	9am Pray Together - <i>Thy Kingdom Come</i> , via zoom
Sat	27	9am Saturday Prayers in the Lady Chapel - <i>Thy Kingdom Come</i>
Sun	28	<b>Pentecost</b> 10am St Andrew's at 10 7pm St Andrew's at 7
Tue	30	9am Pray Together, via zoom
Wed	31	11.30am Holy Communion (said)



You are very welcome to join us for our services and prayers, in person or online:

- 10am Sunday services in church are also live streamed, via the church website
- Saturday Prayers take place weekly in church
- Pray Together sessions during the week are on zoom, via the church website

## Challenges and Changes

The Cobham Area Foodbank, one of St Andrew's Mission Partners, has seen some changes - as **Christina van Roest**, Trustee and General Manager, explains...

**W**e all go through difficult times, but there are people in our community who really suffer.

The 'cost of living crisis' involves not only the financial aspect of lacking the money to pay the bills, but also coping with sudden redundancies, fighting Covid-19 and flu, which are still circulating, and 'simply' putting food on the table.

Clients find themselves without enough money, even when they are employed. That is the very sad situation for many families. Rents, food and utility prices have gone up to such levels

that there is no realistic chance for the clients to be able to improve their finances by themselves in the short term, even when they have a job. Facing these challenges, many suffer serious mental health situations.

Thanks to the generosity of many donors, especially from St Andrew's Oxshott and many individuals, we have sufficient funding and stock in the warehouse to help all clients who come to us for help. However, we must not

get complacent, because we reached the point again that more kilograms of food go out than come in: in February 2023 we received 2,168 kg from our all our collection points, but 3,029 kg went to 67 families. (In comparison, 4,067 kg came in and 2,923 kg went out in the month of December 2022.) We were able to be very generous with treats and special Christmas food for all our clients.

Many thanks for your generous contributions, both financial and food donations. From April 2022 to March 2023, St Andrew's food donations were 485kg.



Facing these

### An holistic approach

We continue to subscribe to the Trussell Trust and we follow a holistic approach offering 'More than just food', signposting our clients to many organisations offering support to their specific situation.

We have fed 2,298 people since April

2022 (955 children and 1,343 adults).

This number is not much higher than the previous year, but the big difference is that in the last two months we are now helping more adults who have full time jobs but need our help at the Foodbank due to their low income, debt, and deprivation.

We do not dare to mention any predictions for the rest of this year, as the 'Cost of Living Crisis' can hit anyone in our society at any time.

We are very grateful to our volunteers (numbering about 80) who make it all possible, with your donations, to help the large number of clients in need.

We will keep supporting our clients in Cobham, Oxshott, Stoke D'Abernon, Downside, East & West Horsley, and Effingham with your continuing generous help.

Many thanks again.

*Christina van Roest*

## From the Registers



### Confirmation

*We celebrate the confirmation at Guildford Cathedral by the Bishop of Guildford, The Right Revd Andrew Watson, of:*

8 April Stephanie Rachel Rustom

### Funerals

*We offer our condolences to the family and friends of:*

22 March Philip Herbert Walton (died 18 January 2023, aged 96)

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How to get there when you no longer drive?

Public transport very limited?

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To become a volunteer, for further information, please call Oxshott Care on 07950 478329 or visit our website: [www.oxshottcare.com](http://www.oxshottcare.com)

**OXSHOTT CARE**



Christian Aid Week



Esther Saizi and the village savings & loan group come together: 'We're a community that helps one another a lot,' says Esther. 'If people face a problem, we do not allow them to suffer alone'.

## Christian Aid Week

As a background to this year's Christian Aid Week, **Mark Currie** outlines the scale of the work being done...

**C**hristian Aid was founded in 1945 by the British and Irish churches to help refugees following the Second World War. For more than 75 years Christian Aid has provided humanitarian relief and long-term development support for poor communities worldwide, while highlighting suffering, tackling injustice and championing people's rights regardless of their faith.

2022 was a big year for supporting refugees in the Ukraine, and the ripple effects of that conflict have spread far and wide.

Escalated by the war in Ukraine and the relentless drought, children in East Africa are caught in the middle. **Millions of children are going hungry.** Without access to nutritious food and safe water, 1.5 million children across Ethiopia, Kenya and Somalia are at risk of severe acute malnutrition. Christian Aid is working in Ethiopia, Kenya and South Sudan to help those suffering but they need your help to do more.



Christian Aid is also working in Malawi in East Africa where Cyclone Freddy has damaged half the country. Families like Esther Saizi's (*see above*) will need help to get back on the road to self-sufficiency, which they had achieved through work carried out by a partner of Christian Aid, the Nandolo Farmers Association of Malawi, who has built a pigeon pea farming collective to improve the livelihood of small-scale pigeon pea farmers.

Please find it in your hearts to support the world's poorest people by donating to Christian Aid this Christian Aid Week via the QR code above.



*Mark Currie*

## Please mind the gap!

Let's talk about teenagers...

**D**on't worry, we are not talking about the London Underground. "Mind the Gap" is a local community informal support group for parents of teenage children who are concerned for their child's mental health.

In the last few years, fuelled by the pandemic, we have seen an explosion of children and adolescents suffering from mental health problems such as depression, anxiety and behavioural disorders, self-harm and in severe situations, even suicides.

Whilst there have been supporting bodies such as the NHS CAMHS, ChildLine, MIND, etc. that are set up to focus on supporting the teenager (and by the way, the waiting list to even get an initial consultation is long), very often, parents are left to manage the rest by themselves.

As a parent of two teenagers, I have had first-hand experience with the emotional distress and helplessness this brings. There can be real pressure put on parents to understand what is happening with their teenagers; the ability to notice when things are not right and not just normal teenage angst. Husband and wife may argue about different ways to try and fix the situation, causing heightened tension and endless worry in the whole family.

So, I was pleased when a few of us (all parents with teenagers) decide to form "Mind the Gap". We are no experts by any means, but it is somewhere where we can sit, share, and support each other. We meet every second Monday of the month in the evening in Oxshott. So far, we have had parents and grandparents who have joined us. I have certainly found it helpful to talk about things and learn about each other's progress.

Feel free to get in touch and join us. You can do so via the Church Office (01372 842071 or [office@standrewsoxshott.org.uk](mailto:office@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)). We have also set up a WhatsApp group to facilitate communications.

*A Parent*

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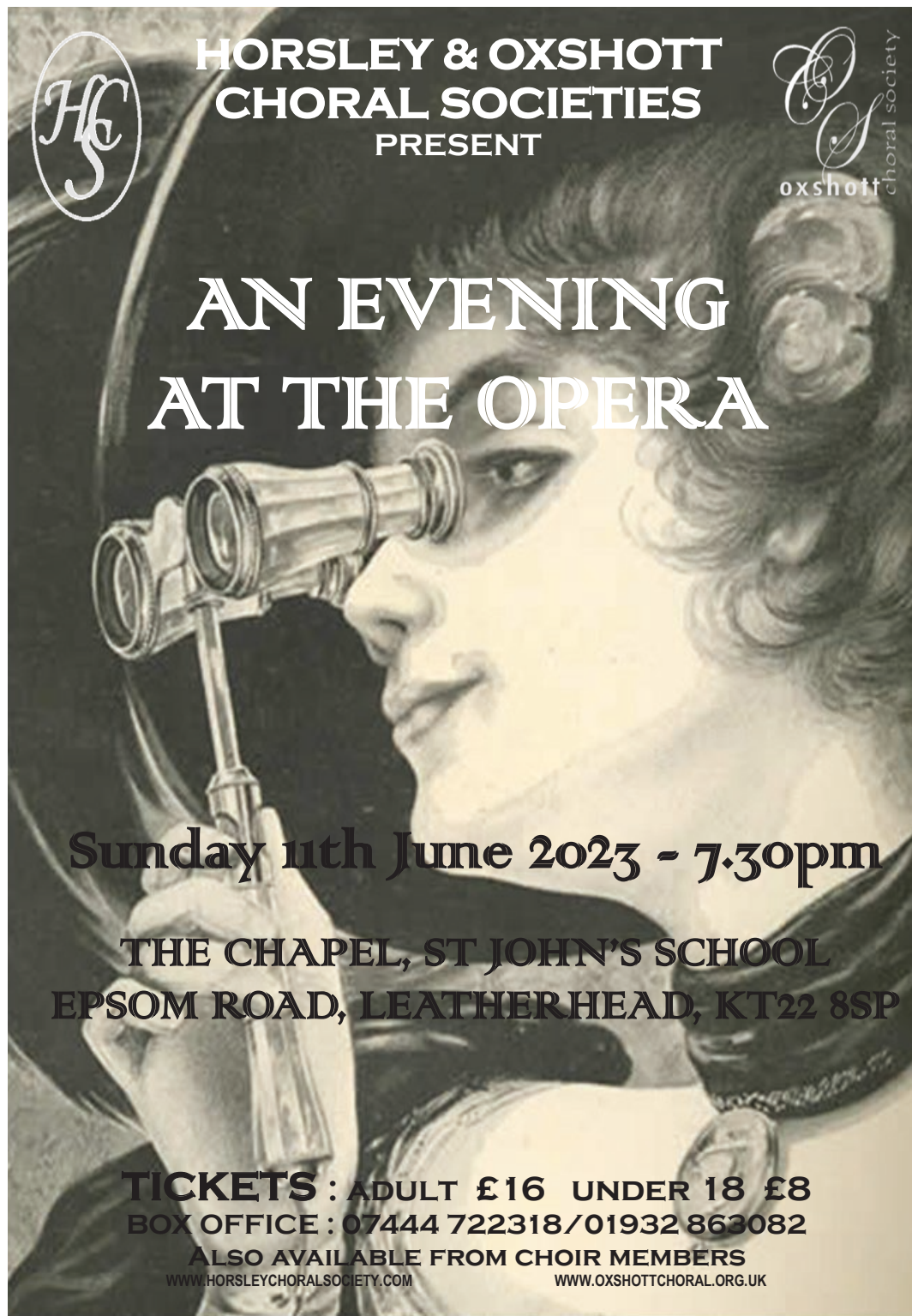
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There has been a lot of planning across Oxshott for the forthcoming Coronation weekend, as **Anthony Wolfe** reports...

A group of members from across the community have been mapping out a plan for the Coronation weekend. At the time of writing the outline for the weekend is as follows:

### **Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> May – the Coronation**

St Andrew's Church will be open that morning, showing the Coronation on a large screen in the church itself for those who might wish to enjoy the historic event with other members of the community.

**Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> May – a special service** will be held at St Andrew's Church in the morning at 10am to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III. The Scouts will be there to add a bit of pomp and circumstance.

**Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> May – a morning of volunteering** followed by a **picnic lunch** at the Village Centre in the field by the doctors' surgery:

**For the volunteering** there will be a focus on two initiatives across the village.

The plan is that they will start at 10am and finish at 12 noon:

- ✿ **Oxshott Heath** – this will be led by Brian Murphy and the Scouts who will be taking advice from Elmbridge BC as to what can be helpfully done.
- ✿ **The recreation ground, off Waverley Road** – the idea would be to clear up the area but we need to find a local resident to act as co-ordinator for this initiative.

**It culminates in a 'bring-your-own' picnic**, planned to start at 12.30pm with the community spreading out across the field on blankets to enjoy a picnic with friends and family. There will be a limited number of tables and chairs, that should accommodate 100 people.

Lynn Aylward has kindly agreed to act as co-ordinator for the picnic – she loves a party, so it should be fun!

### **FOR YOU TO DO**

- Please make a note in your diary
- If you are having your own street party, then please let us know at [coronation@fedora.org.uk](mailto:coronation@fedora.org.uk)
- To help with one of the two volunteering initiatives, please email [coronation@fedora.org.uk](mailto:coronation@fedora.org.uk) and we will put you in touch with the relevant co-ordinator
- If you would like to book a table at the picnic then, again, please email [coronation@fedora.org.uk](mailto:coronation@fedora.org.uk), and we will confirm your booking.

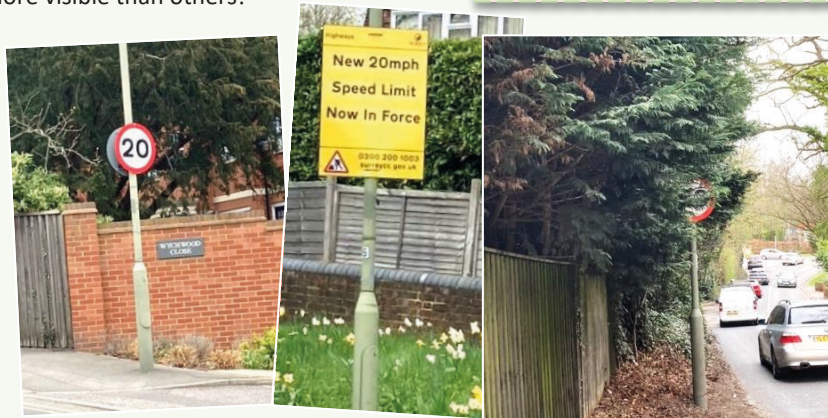
*Anthony Wolfe*

## Round & About

As you will be aware, there are now **20mph speed limits** through Oxshott... These extend from a small part of the Leatherhead Road northwards through the entire High Street, and onto part of Warren Lane.

They also apply to the whole of Oakshade Road (and thus past Royal Kent School), Silverdale Avenue, Fernhill and Broomhall.

There are new signs (*see below*) – some more visible than others!



Thursday, 4 May sees a **local election**, for a Councillor for the Oxshott & Stoke D'Abernon Ward of Elmbridge BC. There are four candidates.



It is the first time that we will need to bring photo ID to vote at a polling station. Driving licence or passport are the easiest choice for most of us – see the Elmbridge website if you need more information.



# Lend a hand. Make a change.

We're so proud to be celebrating the Coronation of HM King Charles III.

We're inspired by his lifetime of service to help other people and support our communities.

We'd be so pleased if you could join us at our special event as part of The Big Help Out on Monday 8 May 2023 any time you can give between 10am-4pm.

Join us for a day of volunteering, helping us to build our sensory and wildlife community garden in celebration of HM King Charles III Coronation.

We will provide all the materials, hot and cold drinks throughout the day and will even have a bouncy castle and some activities for everyone to enjoy!

All we ask is for you to bring some gardening gloves and a picnic!

please click the link below to let us know you will be joining us.



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## Making do on wartime rations

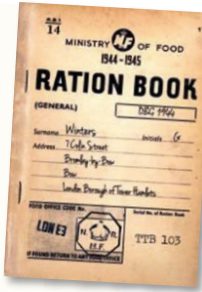
The Oxshott Village WI thoroughly enjoyed their meeting in March, entitled *Surviving Wartime Rations*, as **Liz McGibbon** reports...

**A**t our meeting in March, Gill Harris, dressed as a housewife of the period, gave an interesting and very informative account of the eating habits of residents in the UK during the Second World War. Ration books had been issued in 1939 and the quantity of food one could buy was very restricted. No branded goods and a very meagre diet. Many people kept chickens and children were given malt and cod liver oil to keep them as healthy as possible.

In 1940 there was glut of plums and Lord Walton asked members of the WI to pick the plums and make jam, in fact 1,600 tons of jam were made! - possibly the reason the WI is often thought of as 'Jam and Jerusalem'. And it was a big day in January 1946 when bananas went on sale.

In spite of the problems finding food, no one died of starvation in the UK compared to 2 million across the world. It was fascinating to learn of how hard it was during the war and made us realise how much our eating habits have changed.

Have you noticed the Easter toppers on local pillar boxes? The one in Blundel Lane is the work of a couple of ladies of Oxshott Village WI and we hope it made you smile.



Liz McGibbon

## Easter pillar boxes in the parish...



Sandy Lane



Blundel Lane

Are there more?!



# Summer 23 EXHIBITION & SALE

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## A rugged demonstration!

Oxshott Art & Crafts Society have been busy again, as they gear up for their summer exhibition, as **Miranda Fuller** reports...

Oxshott Art & Crafts Society (OACS) were delighted to welcome back artist Chris Forsey in March, to demonstrate for us a coastal scene in mixed media.

A self-taught painter in watercolour, acrylics and all water-based media, Chris (*right*) is interested in land, town and seascapes and the swift changes in weather, light and atmosphere and their effect on scenery.

Having taught in Cornwall for over 20 years, Chris now considers it his second home; for his demonstration, he chose Tregardock Beach. With the wilder atmosphere of the north coast, huge rocks and dramatic tidal beach, it suits Chris's free and expressive style and palette well and provided a colourful and action-packed demonstration.

Chris uses mount board with rough gesso, for an 'unpredictable surface' and 'serendipitous marks'; Cryla acrylic paints in just four colours – Cadmium yellow and orange, indigo and deep violet – and 'Rosemary' brushes. He applies a yellow and purple wash and oil pastels to 'destabilise the surface', and his initial marks are 'lumpy, bumpy and expressive'. He sketches out key lines and, mixing in some orange, starts with darks; for extra texture, he 'messes up' the surface with a palette knife. For distance and the sky, he uses flatter, smoother brush strokes and, for the foreground, contrasting texture – random, haphazard lines, spread with a palette knife, to mimic the ruggedness of nature. With inks in burnt umber and Paynes grey, he applies calligraphic marks with a pipette and draws in orange oil pastel, for added texture and interest, but advises against overdecorating. By the end of the demonstration, we have the wonderfully dramatic seascape pictured here.

We have our workshop by Brendan Smith on 19 May, postponed from the autumn; at present, there are still places available – for full details, email [sue.smith191@btinternet.com](mailto:sue.smith191@btinternet.com)

Our 'Spring' exhibition this year (*see opposite*) promises to be a colourful and eclectic mix of artwork and crafts - we hope to meet some of you there!

Miranda Fuller



## What's On in Oxshott



### May

- Tue 2 10am **Ladies Friendship Group:** *My Earliest Memory* – with coffee and biscuits and chat, in the Small Hall, Oxshott Village Centre
- Sat 6 (time tba) **St Andrew's Church:** *Screening of the Coronation* for those who might like to enjoy the historic event with other members of the community, at St Andrew's Church
- Mon 8 **Coronation Weekend:** Morning of Volunteering, followed by 12.30pm **Bring-your-own picnic**, at Village Centre grounds (*see page 19*)  
10am-4pm **Scouts: The Big Help Out**, at Polyapes, Blundel Lane (*see page 21*)
- Tue 9 7.30pm **Oxshott Art & Crafts Society:** *Wildlife in Acrylics*, demonstration with Marie Antoniou at Oxshott Village Centre
- Wed 10 2.30pm **The Arts Society Claremont & Oxshott:** *Baroque on a Roll – Classical music in the Modern Media*, with Tony Rawlins, at the Yehudi Menuhin School, Stoke D'Abernon
- Wed 17 6.45pm **Cercle Français d'Esher:** Célébration du 50ème anniversaire du cercle – dîner et spectacle, à la brasserie Côte d'Esher (*réservation obligatoire*)
- Tue 16 2pm **Oxshott Flower Arrangement Society:** *Calendar Moments*, with Barbara Caldecourt at Oxshott Village Centre  
8pm **Oxshott Village Women's Institute:** WI Resolutions – discussion, at Oxshott Village Centre
- Tue 30 7.30pm **St Andrew's Church:** *The World of Costume Design in Theatre, Film & Television*, illustrated talk by Rosalind Ebbutt (*pre-booked only* – *see page 13*)

*If you would like to have details of your event listed here, let us know at [magazine@standrewsoxshott.org.uk](mailto:magazine@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)*



## The passion that is Highgrove

In the month that sees the Coronation of King Charles, **Nicky Orlebar** tells us of an ASCO (Arts Society of Cobham & Oxshott) visit to his gardens at Highgrove...

When King Charles III, as Prince of Wales, bought Highgrove House, near Tetbury, Gloucestershire in 1980, his first project, ahead of decorating the House, was to tackle the unimaginative Cotswold landscape.

Such was our Arts Society's overwhelming interest in a visit to these gardens, a ballot was held, as only 25 members per group would be allowed in. Arriving at Highgrove's Back Drive, passports were checked and wearing 'sensible shoes for unmade paths and cobblestones', we met our volunteer guide by the Orchard Room.

In warm sunshine we first passed through the Laurel Tunnel underplanted with hostas (no slug pellets allowed) near the Lily Pool Garden. We glanced up at the Bronze Gladiator statue (complete with cork at the end of his sword – Health and Safety Regulations) en route to the Stumpery of tree trunks and roots. In the middle of the Walled Garden was a pool containing koi carp – the fish a present from the late Yehudi Menuhin.

In the Arboretum, a Sanctuary built for private royal contemplation led towards the Tulip Walk. By the front door of the 1790s house we smelt choisya bushes, while the Sundial Garden was distinct with just black and white flowers. The west-facing Terrace Garden had been overhung by a huge 200-year-old cedar tree but it sadly died and was felled in 2007, whereas the Carpet Garden thrives with plants and Eastern tiles cleverly copied from a Turkish carpet in the House.

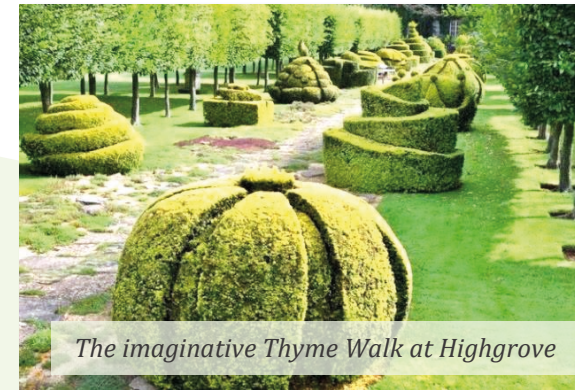
### A passion...

At Highgrove, King Charles has created spaces inspired by his passion for organic gardening. Alas, the box hedges dying of blight are a cause for concern, as they are only slowly responding to organic remedies. Sizeable terracotta pots given to him were cleverly sited, while the fragrant Thyme Walk (*above*) lived up to its name. Much curiosity was shown in the reed bed sewerage system.

By opening the Gardens, funds are raised for the Prince's Foundation. We came away pondering whether to give organic gardening a try – the creative gardens at Highgrove certainly show what can be achieved.



HIGHGROVE



*The imaginative Thyme Walk at Highgrove*

*Nicky Orlebar*

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*Last month's solution*

*Answers  
next month*

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## Think about it...

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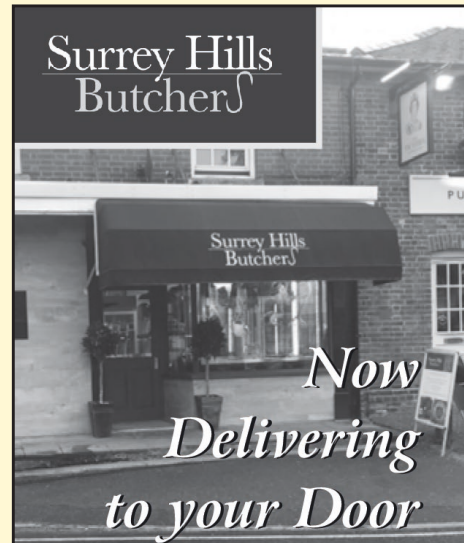
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- Building Your Church project:** Chair: Ron Stewart (byc@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)
- Children and Young People:** Younger children meet separately for their own activities during part of our Sunday service at 10am in term time. Special services are also held monthly for children and families, see **St Andrew's @4** (below). For weekday events, see **ABC** (above). Contact: the Church Office (01372 842071)
- Church Hall:** For bookings, contact the Church Office (01372 842071)
- Church Office:** Church Administrator: Claire Costard; Assistant: Rowena Osman-Robertson. Mon-Fri, 9am-1pm (01372 842071 or office@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)
- Churches Together:** Suzanna Knott (01932 866951)
- Churchwardens:** Jill Perrett (077688 52805), Rebecca Mayhew (07818 426482)
- Coffee Comfort:** meets every 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month, 10.15-11.45am in the church vestibule. Contact: Jenny Mathieson (07712 032008)
- Deanery Synod:** Representatives: Jill Perrett, Ros Ebbutt-Hadman and Steph Rustom
- Electoral Roll:** Electoral Roll Officer: Emily Godfrey (electoral.roll@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)
- Lay Assistants:** Barbara Begley, Anita Harper, Phillip Herbert, Rebecca Mayhew, Helen Shand and Jackie Stewart
- Life Groups:** A number of Life Groups meet for study, fellowship and prayer on a regular basis throughout the parish. Co-ordinator: Patrick Fleming (life.groups@standrewsoxshott.org.uk or through the Church Office 01372 842071)
- Lunch Club:** Meets every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, and generally appeals to people who are 60 plus. Leaders: Sheila and Phillip Herbert (01372 842301)
- Music:** Director of Music: Valerie Beynon (01932 863296). Organist: Nicky Orlebar
- Parish Funding:** Parish Funding Administrator: Marjorie Cox (07730 560752)
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- Pastoral Assistants:** Barbara Begley, Anita Harper, Rebecca Mayhew, Helen Shand, Jackie Stewart, Ron Stewart and Trish Torr. Contact: call the Church Office (01372 842071)
- St Andrew's @4:** A monthly afternoon service in church, for everyone and especially those with primary-school aged and younger children. Contact: Revd Patrick Davies (patrick.davies@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)
- Safeguarding:** Parish Safeguarding Officer: contact via the Church Office, at safeguarding@standrewsoxshott.org.uk
- Treasurer:** Carl Jackson (01372 843990)
- Website Editor:** Contact: web@standrewsoxshott.org.uk

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## Community and Local Services



**Oxshott Medical Practice:** Holtwood Road, Oxshott KT22 0QJ

Telephone: 01372 844000 - Monday to Friday, 8am to 6.30pm

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### Doctors:

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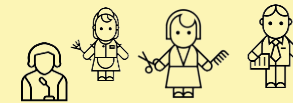
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**Ladies Friendship Group:** Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in month at 10am, in small hall in Oxshott Village Centre. Contact: Angela Horne (01372 843113)

**Le Cercle Français d'Esher:** Evening talks in French on 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month from October to June in West End Village Hall. Contact: Brigitte Tiller (01372 842095 or brigitte@ptiller.com)

**Oxshott Art & Crafts Society:** This friendly group of artists and craftsmen meet for a demonstration at 7.30pm on the second Tuesday of most months. Guests are welcome. Full details on our website (www.oxshottartandcrafts.org)

**Oxshott Badminton Club:** If you play badminton why not join us on Tuesday evenings (September to May). Contact: Geoff Moyle (01372 843844 or geoffdot@ntlworld.com) or Ashok Patel (07977 103436 or ashokdivya@aol.com)

**Oxshott Bridge Club:** Duplicate bridge on Wednesday evenings at Oxshott Village Centre. Enquiries to Secretary: Janet Kefford (01932 863541)

**Oxshott Choral Society:** Meets Wednesday evenings in Stoke D'Abernon Church Hall. Contact: Sue Rees (01372 842300) www.oxshottchoral.org.uk

**Oxshott, Esher and the Dittons NWR (National Women's Register):** meets fortnightly on Tuesday evenings (some Tuesday afternoons during winter) in each other's homes. Contact: Cathy Davies (01372 842085)

**Oxshott Flower Arrangement Society:** Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in month at Oxshott Village Centre (except August). Secretary: Anita Lee (07979 804668 or leea8971@gmail.com)

**Oxshott Village Sports Club:** Bowls, Bridge, Cricket, Cycling, Football, Netball, Padel, Pétanque, Squash, Stoolball, Tennis. All enquiries to the OVSC office: Fiona Stephen or Sarah Murphy (01372 843652 or office@oxshottsports.com)

**Political Parties: Cobham, Oxshott & Stoke d'Abernon Conservatives:** Chair: Cathy Davies (01372 842085 or cdavies\_waldegrave@yahoo.co.uk)

**Cobham, Downside, Oxshott and Stoke Labour Party:** Secretary: Dan Parks (07860 677898 or codslabourbranch@gmail.com)

**The Arts Society Claremont and Oxshott:** Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in month (except July & August) in the Yehudi Menuhin Hall, Stoke D'Abernon. Coach visits also organised. Contact: Anne Wallis (anne@wallis.eu.com)

**The Oxshott Club:** Centre of village social life; Oakshade Road. Lounge bar, snooker, pool, quiz nights; music and entertainment evenings and BBQs held regularly. BT Sports channel. Open every evening; Saturday & Sunday from midday. See us on Facebook or contact Club Secretary or Stewardess (01372 842232)

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