The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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Sunday 7th August 2022

Please do not come into church if you think you may have symptoms of Covid 19. Please respect the concerns of others in the congregation. Hand sanitizer is available.

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Richard Fergusson is giving today's online sermon. Watch on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>YouTube</u> or our <u>website</u> from 9am.

7:45am	Shrivenham, St Andrew Holy Communion (BCP)
9:00am	Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun
9:30am	Holy Communion (BCP) Watchfield, St Thomas
9:30am	Holy Communion (BCP) Longcot, St Mary & <u>Facebook</u>
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10:15am	Shrivenham, St Andrew. Lammas Service
11:00am	Ashbury, St Mary.
	Morning Prayer
3:00pm	Longcot Methodist Chapel.
5:30pm	United Service Shrivenham, St Andrew & <u>Facebook</u>
5.50pm	Compline and Benediction
There will be no 9am online services	
on Tuesdays and Thursdays during August	
Wednesday	
9:00am	Shrivenham, St Andrew & Facebook
T I	Morning Prayer.
Thursday	Ashburn Ot Man 9 Essehest
10:00am	Ashbury, St Mary & Facebook Holy Communion
12 noon	Longcot, St Mary
	Funeral – Frank Parkinson RIP (see below)
<u>Friday</u>	
9:00am	Matins (BCP). Live on Facebook
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<u>Sunday 14th August</u>
9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas Matins (BCP)
9:30am Longcot, St Mary Holy Communion
10:15am Shrivenham, St Andrew & Facebook Holy Communion
11:00am Ashbury, St Mary. Holy Communion
Bourton, St James Please note that there are no services during August

Rev'd Parkinson's Funeral

All welcome, please wear something bright!

Mourners are invited to light refreshments at the King & Queen after the service. The family will join them after attending the committal at the crematorium.

Parking will be available in the field opposite the church (off the B4508) and will be signposted.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Distribution of the Sacraments at Communion Services

Care is still being advised at the distribution of the sacraments and if you do not wish to receive in both kinds (i.e. to share the common cup as well as receiving the bread) please feel free to do that.

We will continue the practice of wearing masks and using hand sanitiser during the prayers of consecration and the distribution. This will also apply to lay administrators of the cup. The rim of the cup will be cleaned after each communicant has received.

Intinction by communicants is not recommended and we will not be offering this, but we will keep the matter under review. Please talk to Norma if you have any questions.



Songs & Stories and Baby & Toddler Group

The groups that meet on Wednesday and Thursday mornings are taking a break until after the school summer holidays.

Café Inspire and Benefice Sunday School

Please note that Café Inspire and the Benefice Sunday School are not meeting during August.



Fun With Flowers



Enjoy a morning at a flower workshop and create a small arrangement to take home.

Saturday 10th September from 10am – 12 noon at the Community Hub, St Mary's Church, Longcot.

£20 per person including flowers, foliage and refreshments. No experience needed.

For more information and to book a place contact Shirley Dalton-Morris 01793 782989 or sdm57@btinternet.com

Wednesday Study Groups Summer Break

The morning and evening study groups are taking a break during the summer.

They will restart on Wednesday 14th September, meeting at 7pm in St Andrew's to watch the film 'The Way', about a group of pilgrims on their way to Santiago de Compostela.

Both the morning and evening groups will then look at 'The Long Road to Heaven' by Tim Heaton, which is based on that film.

Do come if you can!

Benefice Sunday School

Can You Help?

Our Sunday School aims to help children have fun whilst learning more about loving God and our neighbours, about Jesus, the Bible and the life of the Church.

We meet at 3pm on the second Sunday of the month in St Thomas Church in Watchfield. Each session is followed by refreshments in the Village Hall.



The sessions are led by our clergy team, and we are looking for people to join our team of volunteers who help to set up and clear away, serve refreshments, and more importantly help the children with their activities.

> If you would like to find out more, please contact Lucy Laird: 01793 783519 info@shrivenhamandashbury.co.uk

Bottles Please!

The Bottle Tombola at Shrivenham Village Fete at the end of August is one of the major fund raising events for St Andrew's Church General Fund.

Margaret Hern will be pleased to receive bottles of any kind, but no cans. She will collect from you if required. Margaret 01793 782100

Community Cycle of Prayer

Please pray for all who live and work in Idstone near Ashbury, and Mortree Court in Shrivenham.