



The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'



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21st June 2026 Third Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 21st June

9:30am Longcot, St Mary
Morning Prayer
9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas
Holy Communion (BCP)
10:30am Shrivenham, St Andrew
Holy Communion
11:00am Ashbury, St Mary
Morning Worship
11:00am Bourton, St James & [Facebook](#)
Holy Communion
6:00pm Eaton Hastings, St Michael and All Angels
Choral Evensong

The Benefice Choir is singing at this service.
You are welcome to come along.

Monday

11:30am Longcot, St Mary
Funeral – Charles Herbert Bovington RIP
6:30pm Rock Solid Youth Club
Shrivenham Methodist Church

Tuesday

9:00am Morning Prayer. Live on [Facebook](#)

Wednesday

9:00am Shrivenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)
Morning Prayer
9:15am Song and Stories Toddler Group
Back room, Shrivenham Methodist Church
9:30am Wednesday Study Group via Zoom
7:00pm Wednesday Study Group
St Andrew's Vicarage, Shrivenham

Thursday

9:00am Matins. Live on [Facebook](#)
9:30am Baby & Toddler Group in St Andrew's
6:30pm Benefice Choir Practice at St Andrew's

Friday

10:00am Coffee & Chat in St Andrew's
11:30am Shrivenham, St Andrew
ASK Prayer Tree

Sunday 28th June

9:00am Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun
Matins
9:30am Longcot, St Mary
Holy Communion
9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas
Matins
10:30am Shrivenham, St Andrew
Morning Prayer
11:00am Ashbury, St Mary & [Facebook](#)
Holy Communion with the Benefice Choir

**Rev'd Dr Janet Anderson-MacKenzie
is off duty from Wednesday 17th until
Tuesday 30th June inclusive.**

Coffee & Chat in St Andrew's Church Friday 26th June from 10am to 11:30am

Feel free to bring your book, your knitting or stitching,
or just enjoy a chat with friends. All welcome.

Welcome

Welcome to Isabel Francis Godwin who was
baptised in St Andrew's Church, Shrivenham
on Saturday 13th June

Faringdon Singers Concert St Mary's Church Longcot Saturday 4th July at 6pm

Free admission but concert goers are asked to make an
appropriate donation as part of the retiring collection.

The bar will be open from 5.30pm.

Proceeds will be split between Longcot Village Trust
and the Church. More details to follow.

Shrivenham Open Gardens Sunday 12th July from 2pm



We have eight gardens so far, including three that
haven't opened before, but a few more would be great!
Your garden does not have to be in pristine condition!
Please contact Julian Stevens on 01793 782065 if you
would like your garden to be included.

Community Cycle of Prayer

Please pray this week for all who live and work in Pound Piece in Ashbury, and Friars Close and Fuller Close in Shrivenham.

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Refreshments for Open Gardens - Can You Help?

We need cakes and people to help serve refreshments for this annual fundraising event in aid of St Andrew's Restoration Project. If you are able to help, please contact Julian Stevens on 01793 782065

Zimbabwe 2 – Saturday 1st August at 7pm Ashbury Village Hall



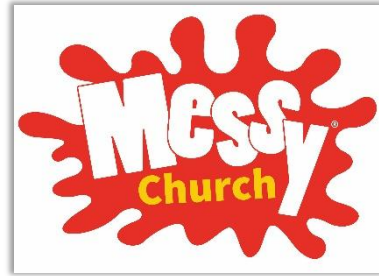
This is a new date for the postponed January event, the second part of Patrick and his family's story as well as life and customs in Zimbabwe - with slides and time to ask questions from the floor.

Doors and bar open at 6:30pm.

Tickets available at £15 per person to include buffet and soft drinks from Maggie Simons 01793 710801 or maggiemsimons@outlook.com

BACS payment to PCC of Ashbury,
Lloyds a/c: 01182960 s/c: 30-13-35
or cash to Maggie Simons

If you booked for the January event and/or we are still holding money you paid for tickets please still confirm that you will be joining us on 1st August.



The theme on Thursday 18th June was the poem 'Footprints in the Sand'. We made edible sand (from digestive biscuits and custard), large sandy footprints with the poem on, decorated shells, made footprint cross pictures and a beach collage.



Footprints in the Sand

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonging to him and the other to the Lord.

After the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it. "Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you would walk with me all the way.

But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times of my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why, when I needed you the most, you would leave me."

The Lord replied "My precious child, I love you and would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."



