

The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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Sunday 21st November Christ the King

Please do not come into church if you think you may have symptoms of Covid 19.

Wearing a mask and observing social distancing in church is encouraged but not mandatory.

Please sign in or use the QR code.

Hand sanitiser is available.

Holy Communion will be offered in one kind only.

Sunday 21st November

Richard Fergusson is giving today's sermon. Watch on Facebook or YouTube from 9:00am.

Holy Communion (BCP)

7:45am Shrivenham, St Andrew

9:00am Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun

Matins (BCP)

9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas

Matins (BCP) Longcot, St Mary

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Morning Prayer

10:00am Bourton, St James & <u>Facebook</u>

Holy Communion

10:15am Shrivenham, St Andrew

Holy Communion Ashbury, St Mary Shoebox Sunday

Tuesday

11:00am

9:00am Morning Prayer. Live on Facebook

<u>Wednesday</u>

9:00am Shrivenham, St Andrew & Facebook

Morning Prayer

9:15am Song and Stories Toddler Group

Shrivenham Methodist Church Wednesday Study Group via Zoom

10:30am Wednesday Study Group 7:00pm Alpha at the Ahern's 7:00pm Wednesday Study Group

Wednesday Study Group St Andrew's Vicarage

Thursday

9:00am Matins (BCP). Live on <u>Facebook</u> 9:00am Baby & Toddler Group in St Andrew's

5:30pm Shrivenham, St Andrew ASK Evening Prayer

6:00pm Benefice Choir Practice, St Andrew's

Friday

9:00am Ashbury, St Mary & Facebook

Matins (BCP)

Advent Sunday 28th November

10:15am Shrivenham, St Andrew & Facebook

Benefice Holy Communion with Choir for the Festival of Andrew the Apostle

5:30pm Longcot, St Mary & Facebook

Advent Carol Service

with Benefice Choir and Handbells

Ashbury Cycle of Prayer

Please pray this week for all who live and work in Idstone Road.

Operation Christmas Child



Bring your shoebox to the Shoebox Sunday service in St Mary's, Ashbury at 11.00am on Sunday 21st November, or visit the Samaritan's Purse website to send a pre-packed shoebox.

www.samaritans-purse.org.uk

St Andrew's Annual Brass Cleaning Morning

Saturday 20th November at 9:30am.

Helpers would be appreciated. Coffee provided!

Ashbury Church Christmas Bazaar

Saturday 27th November at 2pm in the Village Hall
We are planning to hold our annual Christmas Bazaar
this year, subject to there being no further Covid
restrictions. Lots of stalls including cakes, books, gifts,
cards, toys and games, and our mammoth raffle!
All proceeds to St Mary's Church

Coffee Concert given by The Torriano Ensemble

St Mary's Church Longcot Sunday 28th November at 11:30am

The Torriano Ensemble, a group of professional musicians, will be playing Beethoven's Septet for clarinet, horn, bassoon and strings.

There will be a brief talk with musical illustrations before the performance.

Free admission – retiring collection in aid of the charity 'EMBRACE the Middle East' and also towards urgent repairs to St. Mary's churchyard wall.

Tea, coffee and cakes will be served from 11am and after the concert.

All seats need to be reserved in advance by contacting victorialmedcalf@gmail.com

Condolences

Our condolences to the family and friends of the late Elaine Collis and Philip Tilling, both formerly of Ashbury. Please keep them in your prayers.

Soup On Saturday

Saturday 4th December from 12 noon - 2pm St Andrew's Church Shrivenham

Come along for a mug of soup and a natter. A selection of Christmas cards, edible gifts, handicrafts and decorations will be on sale.



If you can you help with any of the following: making soup, have a slow cooker we could borrow, providing "Christmas goodies" to sell e.g. jam, chutney, mincemeat, mince pies, handicrafts etc. please contact Penny Hockley pennykh48@gmail.com or 01793 783284

In aid of St Andrew's Church.

Children's clothing giveaway

St Andrew's Church, Shrivenham 2nd Saturday of every month

We will be hosting the second Children's Clothing Giveaway in St Andrew's Church Shrivenham on Saturday 11th December from 9 -11am.

Why not start your day with breakfast at Café Inspire in Shrivenham School and then come along to see what we have on offer?

Clothes for ages 0 to 13 years.

Come and pick up what you need and donate if and when you can – no charge!



More information here www.facebook.com/ShrivenhamClothesExchange

Thank You



Thank you to everyone who attended the Remembrance Day services last weekend. We were able to mark the day in all seven of our churches and between us, including the coffee morning on 5th November in St Andrew's, have sent more than £1000 to the Royal British Legion in their centenary year.

Advent Calendars, Candles & Christmas Cards



Margaret Hern
has a good
selection of
Christmas
Christian charity
cards, and
Advent calendars
and candles from
the Lighthouse
Book Shop for
sale.

Ring Margaret to arrange a time to visit. 01793 782100

If you would like to make a text donation to support the work of the churches in our Benefice, please

Text GIVEfive to 70470 to donate £5
Text GIVEten to 70470 to donate £10

Your standard text message rate applies. Thank you!