



# The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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## Sunday 19th June 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.

### Sunday 19th June Father's Day

Rev'd Norma Fergusson is giving today's online sermon. Watch on [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) or our [website](#) from 9am.

- 7:45am Shrivenham, St Andrew  
Holy Communion by Extension (BCP)
- 9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas  
Matins (BCP)
- 9:30am Longcot, St Mary  
Morning Prayer
- 10:00am Bourton, St James  
Holy Communion by Extension
- 10:15am Shrivenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)  
Holy Communion
- 11:00am Ashbury, St Mary  
Morning Worship

### Tuesday

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

### Wednesday

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

- 9:15am Song and Stories Toddler Group  
Shrivenham Methodist Church
- 10:30am Wednesday Study Group via Zoom
- 6:00pm PCC Drinks at St Andrew's Vicarage

### Thursday **Corpus Christi**

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

### Friday

9:00am Ashbury, St Mary & [Facebook](#)  
Matins (BCP)

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June

- 10:15am Shrivenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)  
Benefice Holy Communion with Choir
- 2:30pm Watchfield, St Thomas  
Baptism
- 4:00pm Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun  
Benefice Pilgrimage Service

### Community Cycle of Prayer

Please pray for all who live and work in Berrycroft Lane in Ashbury, and Hadrian Close in Shrivenham.

### Welcome

Welcome to Charles Anthony Pearson who was baptised at St Thomas Watchfield on Saturday 11th June

## First Sunday after Trinity

### Return to Offering Holy Communion in Both Kinds

Since returning to public worship after the first lockdown in July 2020, we have offered Communion in only one kind during services. The national church is now strongly encouraging us to return to offering Communion in both kinds, so as a Benefice we have resumed offering wine.

The first thing to say is that receiving both bread and wine is not mandatory. The church teaches that God gives the fullness of grace in Communion, however we receive it, so please don't feel pressured to receive the chalice if you don't feel comfortable doing so.

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.

We will no longer bring communion to people in their pews. If you wish to receive Communion, please come to the altar rail at the distribution, standing or kneeling as you prefer, but maintaining a safe distance between communicants. Please wait until everyone at the rail has received before coming forward to the altar rail. This will make it easier for us to know who has and has not received.

If you don't wish to share the common cup, please stay at the rail until communion has been offered in both kinds, crossing your arms over your chest with hands pointing towards your shoulders to indicate that you do not wish to receive the cup.

We understand that setting out the procedure like this can make it sound more complex than it is, but we want everyone to feel safe and "baby steps" seem to be the best way of achieving this. It will soon feel normal.

In case you were wondering, the Church of England does not currently permit the use of individual cups. Also, intinction (dipping the bread into the wine) is considered to be less safe than sharing the cup so we are not offering it at this time. If you have any other questions, please ask!

### Shrivenham Open Gardens

Sunday 3rd July 2pm - 5pm

Map and list of gardens:  
£5.00

from the Church Wardens  
or at church before and after  
services

No charge for  
accompanied children  
Refreshments available in  
St Andrew's Church

In aid of St Andrew's Church Restoration Fund



### **Benefice Pilgrimage Sunday 26th June**

We often talk about our "Christian journey" and for many this is purely figurative, but for others it is literally true as they walk to or between holy places, meeting God in new ways as they go. Last August we organised a Benefice pilgrimage from Bourton St James to Shrivenham St Andrew and back. The feedback from the 25 pilgrims who shared the journey was positive and we agreed to organise another one.

This year we will walk from Ashbury to Compton Beauchamp and back. Well behaved dogs on leads are welcome too. We'll depart from St Mary's Church at 2:30pm, arriving at St Swithun's in time for tea and cake before a short service at 4pm. We'll set off on the return journey at about 4:30pm, and the bar at the Rose and Crown will be open for refreshment when we get back to Ashbury. Everyone is welcome to join us, even if only for the walk and tea! For more details and a map please contact David Watson (01793 783405) [shrivenhamchurchwarden@outlook.com](mailto:shrivenhamchurchwarden@outlook.com)

### **Concert & Prayers for Peace in Ukraine**

followed by Ukrainian Buffet  
Saturday 25th June at 5pm

Blessed Hugh Faringdon RC Church  
Marlborough Street, Faringdon SN7 7JE  
Pray with the Ukrainians in the Vale of White Horse  
for peace in Ukraine and in the World.  
Enjoy Ukrainian arts and food



Winners in the Best Jubilee Crown competition at Watchfield Jubilee Fete



### **Wanted:**

### **Foundation Governor at Shrivenham C of E School from September 2022. It could be you!**

Foundation governors are appointed by the Oxfordshire Diocese (usually on a 4-year term) and are responsible for ensuring the school maintains its Christian ethos, as well as being a critical friend on other governance matters. Working within the construct of the Faringdon Learning Trust, governors have oversight of the school at the strategic level and are accountable for the performance of the school. Shrivenham School will shortly be relocating to a new site, so it's a really exciting time to get involved. We need a wide range of skills and training is provided to help governors fulfil this vital role.

If you would like to know more, contact Chris Taylor [cstaylor1974@hotmail.com](mailto:cstaylor1974@hotmail.com) or 07867 520824 or visit the Diocesan website at <https://www.odbe.org.uk/governance/>

### **Truthfulness Prayer**

Dear God,

Thank you for lighting up the world,  
showing the truth in all situations.  
We appreciate you supporting everyone to  
Be happy in telling the truth.  
We are grateful for the honest people in the world.

We apologise for not always being a good  
role model and telling the truth.  
We apologise for sometimes not telling the truth,  
as we are worried about getting into trouble.

We ask you to help us to stop and think  
before speaking our truth.  
Please help us to stop telling lies.  
In the future, please help us to tell the truth  
and not change our story.

Amen

Ashbury with Compton Beauchamp CE Primary School



Judge Ken Fry with the winners in the Dog Show at Watchfield Jubilee Fete