



# The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

Vicar: Vacancy

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## Sunday 28th July 2024

## Ninth Sunday after Trinity

### Sunday 28th July

There is no online sermon this week.

10:30am Ashbury, St Mary & [Facebook](#)  
Benefice Holy Communion with Choir

### Tuesday

9:00am Morning Prayer. Live on [Facebook](#)  
1:00pm Bereavement Café  
5 Martens Road, Shrivenham

### Wednesday

10:30am Wednesday Study Group via Zoom  
7:00pm Wednesday Study Group  
12 Chapelwick Close, Shrivenham

### Community Cycle of Prayer

Please pray this week for all who live and work in Church Lane in Ashbury, and Highworth Road in Shrivenham.

### Sunday 4th August

7:45am Shrivenham, St Andrew  
Holy Communion (BCP)  
9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas & [Facebook](#)  
Holy Communion (BCP)  
9:30am Longcot, St Mary  
Holy Communion  
10:30am Shrivenham, St Andrew  
Morning Prayer for Lammas  
11:00am Ashbury, St Mary  
Holy Communion  
2:00pm Shrivenham, St Andrew  
Baptism

### Midweek Online Services During August

There will be no Tuesday or Thursday online morning services during August.

### Bourton, St James

Please note that there are no services during August.

### 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.

### 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.

We need about 400 bottles to make this a success.

David Watson is happy to receive bottles of any kind, but no cans or other containers please. He will collect from you if required, otherwise please deliver to the porch at 7 Claypits Lane Shrivenham.

01793 783405 or [davelizwatson@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:davelizwatson@tiscali.co.uk)

We are also looking for people to help with collecting bottles, and setting up and helping on the day.

### Condolences

Our condolences to the family and friends of the late Robin Pope. Please keep them in your prayers.

### Forthcoming Events

#### Friday 27th September at 6pm St Mary's Church, Longcot

Tom Arnold will be giving a talk on the Titanic and will draw upon the links with both Longcot and Uffington.  
More details to follow.

#### Saturday September 28th at 7pm St Mary's Church, Ashbury

Avebury Vocal Ensemble Autumn Concert  
Tickets £12, available on the door or online via the Avebury Vocal Ensemble website at [www.aveburyvocal.org](http://www.aveburyvocal.org).

#### Saturday 12th October at 6pm St Mary's Church, Longcot

The Torriano Ensemble Autumn Concert  
More details to follow.

### Benefice Vacancy

The closing date for the second round of applications for our new Benefice Vicar has passed. We had three applicants and at the shortlisting meeting it was agreed to invite one of them for interview on the 8th August.

### A prayer for this time of transition

Faithful and loving God, we hold our Benefice before you in this time of uncertainty.

Be with us in our waiting, in our expectation and in our preparation as we seek our new Incumbent.

Be with our new incumbent as he or she also waits, expects and prepares.

Bring us together in love for you and for this Benefice, and be our light for the way ahead.

In Jesus' name, Amen