

# The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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# Second Sunday of Advent 8th December 2024

	Sunday	8th	<u>December</u>	
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9:00am Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun

Holy Communion (BCP)

9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas

Matins

Shrivenham, St Andrew & Facebook 10:30am

Holy Communion

11:00am Ashbury, St Mary

Holy Communion Longcot, St Mary

4:00pm

Christingle

Tuesday

9:00am Morning Prayer. Live on Facebook

Wednesday

Song and Stories Toddler Group 8:45am

Back Room, Shrivenham Methodist Church

Shrivenham, St Andrew & Facebook 9:00am

Morning Prayer

10:30am Wednesday Study Group via Zoom

7:00pm Wednesday Study Group

St Andrew's Vicarage, Shrivenham

Thursday

8:45am Baby & Toddler Group in St Andrew's

9:00am Matins. Live on Facebook

Ashbury, St Mary & Facebook 10:00am

Holy Communion

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

8:00pm Section 12 Meeting on Zoom

Saturday

10:00am Café Inspire

Shrivenham Sports Pavilion

Shrivenham, St Andrew 2:00pm

**Baptism** 

#### **Community Cycle of Prayer**

Please pray this week for all who live and work in College Farm Lane in Ashbury, and Sywell Road

and Trajan Road in Shrivenham.



## **Bourton Club Sunday 8th December** 6pm

An Evening of Festive Fun with The Village Voices Raffle, mulled wine and mince pies.

In aid of St James Church

#### Condolences

Our condolences to the family and friends of the late Jane Margaret Colebrook. Please keep them in your prayers.

## **Sunday 15th December**

9:30am Longcot, St Mary & Facebook

Holy Communion

Shrivenham, St Andrew 10:30am

Morning Prayer

11:00am Ashbury, St Mary

Third Sunday Service

Watchfield, St Thomas

Carol Service

Shrivenham, St Andrew 5:45pm

Christingle

followed by Carols around Shrivenham Tree

6:00pm Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun

Carol Service



3:00pm

#### Baby & Toddler Group **Christmas Party** Thursday 12th December

Please book a place in advance for this week's session More information from Hazel Morris on 07931 225 530

The group will restart on Thursday 16th January 2025.



# Nativity Service at Farmer Gow's Saturday 21st December at 2pm



Dress warmly and enjoy a Nativity Service with a difference as, together with Shrivenham Methodist Church, we investigate the Impossible Promise of that first Christmas day.

Surrounded by the sights and sounds of the Meet the Animals barn, dressing up is encouraged, and not only by the children!

Doors open at 1.30 pm, the service will start at 2pm and will be followed by hot drinks and mince pies.

Free but if you wish to make a donation, they will go to The Oxford Friends of Hope & Faith Christian Community School, Ng'ombe, Zambia.

Farmer Gow's, Fernham Road, Longcot, SN7 7PR

## **Pastoral Support**

If you, or someone you know, would like a home visit (to receive Holy Communion for example), need to talk or ask for specific prayers, please do get in touch with Rev'd Patrick Mabhunu or Lucy Laird.

Their contact details are at the top of the page.

#### **Christmas Services**

Wednesday 18th December

2:00pm Shrivenham Methodist Church

Village Carols

**Thursday 19th December** 

3:15pm Shrivenham, St Andrew

Messy Church

5:00pm Fernham, Elmside Green

Village Carols

Friday 20th December

6:00pm Ashbury Village Crossroads

Stations of the Nativity

Saturday 21st December

2:00pm Nativity Service at Farmer Gow's

5:00pm Ashbury, St Mary

Carol Service with the Benefice Choir

and St Andrew's Handbell Ringers

**Sunday 22nd December** 

4:00pm Shrivenham, St Andrew

Carol Service with the Benefice Choir

and St Andrew's Handbell Ringers

6:30pm Longcot, St Mary & Facebook

Carol Service with the Benefice Choir

and St Andrew's Handbell Ringers

**Christmas Eve** 

4:00pm Ashbury, St Mary

Crib Service

4:00pm Shrivenham, St Andrew

Crib Service

3:30pm Bourton, St James

Village Carols

5:00pm Watchfield, St Thomas

Holy Communion (BCP)

followed by Carols around Watchfield Tree

11:30pm Shrivenham, St Andrew

Midnight Mass

11:30pm Longcot, St Mary

Midnight Mass

**Christmas Day** 

10:00am Shrivenham, St Andrew & Facebook

Holy Communion

Please note the earlier start time.

11:00am Ashbury, St Mary

Family Service followed by Communion