



The Shrevenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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13th April 2025 Palm Sunday



Palm Sunday 13th

7:45am Shrevenham, St Andrew
Holy Communion (BCP)

Please come and join our Palm Sunday Donkey Procession through Shrevenham followed by a Benefice Service with the Methodists in St Andrew's.

10:00am Palm Sunday Donkey Procession starting at Shrevenham Methodist Church
10:30am Shrevenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)
Palm Sunday Service with Benefice Choir

Monday

7:30pm Shrevenham, St Andrew
Compline for Lent

Tuesday

9:00am Morning Prayer. Live on [Facebook](#)
7:30pm Shrevenham, St Andrew
Compline for Lent

Wednesday

7:00pm Shrevenham, W & B APCM in St Andrew's

Thursday

9:00am Matins. Live on [Facebook](#)
7:00pm Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun
Holy Communion with Foot Washing

Good Friday

10:00am Shrevenham, St Andrew
Messy Church Easter Garden
12 noon Longcot, St Mary
An Hour at the Cross
2:00pm Ashbury, St Mary
An Hour at the Cross
2:00pm Shrevenham, St Andrew
"The Passion of the Christ"
Easter Reflection and Prayer
More information opposite

Community Cycle of Prayer

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

Easter Eve Saturday 19th April

8:00pm Shrevenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)
Easter Vigil with the Benefice Choir

The Easter Eve service is one of the most beautiful services of the Christian year, filled with imagery, symbolism and deep meaning as the new Easter Light is brought into the church.

Easter Sunday 20th April

9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas
Holy Communion (BCP)
9:30am Longcot, St Mary
Holy Communion
10:30am Shrevenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)
Holy Communion
11:00am Ashbury, St Mary
Holy Communion

Annual Parish Meetings

Shrevenham, W & B Wednesday 16th April 7pm
Compton Beauchamp Saturday 17th May 10:30am

"The Passion of the Christ" Easter Reflection and Prayer

Good Friday 18th April
Shrevenham, St Andrew at 2.00 pm

The service will include a showing of the last 20 minutes of the film The Passion of the Christ. This will be followed by a time of silence, reflection and prayer. The service will last about an hour

The film (rated 18) is considered, by many, to be the most accurate portrayal of Christ's passion. It reflects the appalling brutality of the Roman crucifixion endured by Jesus for you and me. It makes for very challenging viewing.

Messy Church Easter Garden

Friday 18th April
at 10am

St Andrew's Church Shrevenham

Come and join us for crafts and help to make the Easter Garden. There will also be hot cross buns, tea, coffee and squash to enjoy together.



Saturday 19th April at 1pm

Sarting at St Thomas' Church Watchfield
£1.50 entry

All proceeds to St Thomas' Church

Condolences

Our condolences to the family and friends of the late Rev'd Anne Bell. Please keep them in your prayers.

Ashbury Churchyard Spring Clean



Thank you to everyone who supported our annual Ashbury Churchyard Spring Clean last Saturday.

A record 36 people joined in including Rev Patrick Mabunu and Blessing who worked hard all morning.

We were blessed by another lovely sunny day with just a slight wind. Both the old and the new Churchyards, the footpaths and Church car park had a good spring clean collecting up all the winter debris of sticks and weeds and pruning back overgrown shrubs and trees. This year many of our helpers commented on how we are seeing the fruitful outcomes from previous spring sessions.

With an age range spread over 9 decades it was a real community family event which has left our churchyards looking even more beautiful.

Wine Tasting Evening



Fernham Events Committee organised a very well attended wine tasting evening on Saturday 5th April in Fernham Village Hall to raise funds for St John's Church and other charities.

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 Mabunu or Lucy Laird.

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