



The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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26th April 2026 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sunday 26th April

- 9:00am Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun
Matins
- 9:30am Longcot, St Mary & [Facebook](#)
Holy Communion with Benefice Choir
- 9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas
Matins
- 10:30am Shrivenham, St Andrew
Holy Communion
- 11:00am Ashbury, St Mary
Holy Communion

Monday

- 6:30pm Rock Solid Youth Club
Shrivenham Methodist Church

Tuesday

- 9:00am Morning Prayer. Live on [Facebook](#)
- 11:00am Bereavement Café
5 Martens Road, Shrivenham
- 11:00am Shrivenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)
Funeral – Ruth Haslett RIP
- 1:30pm Tuesday Chronological Bible Study Group
7 Chapel wick Close, Shrivenham 7:00pm
Shrivenham Methodist Church
Alpha

Wednesday

- 9:00am Shrivenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)
Morning Prayer
- 9:15am Song and Stories Toddler Group
Back room, Shrivenham Methodist Church
- 9:30am Wednesday Study Group via Zoom
- 7:00pm Wednesday Study Group
St Andrew's Vicarage, Shrivenham

Thursday

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

Saturday

- 10:00am Bourton, St James
Family Service

Sunday 3rd May

- 7:45am Shrivenham, St Andrew
Holy Communion (BCP)
- 9:30am Longcot, St Mary
Morning Prayer
- 9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas & [Facebook](#)
Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10:30am Shrivenham, St Andrew
Family Service
- 11:00am Ashbury, St Mary
Holy Communion by Extension
- 5:30pm Shrivenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)
Compline and Benediction

Community Cycle of Prayer

Please pray this week for all who live and work in College Farm Lane in Ashbury, and Cowleaze Close and Cox's Road in Shrivenham.

Rev'd Patrick Mabunu is off duty from Tuesday 28th April until Monday 11th May inclusive.

Revd Dr Janet Anderson-MacKenzie will be on call for pastoral emergencies: 07821 474 711

Alpha at Shrivenham Methodist Church

Every Tuesday at 7pm until 16th June.

Don't worry if you missed the first two sessions there's still time to join the group.

More information from Jane Ahern 07947 036843

Jane is looking for volunteers to provide meals for the Alpha suppers

Welcome

Welcome Lilian Ena Coral Dickinson who was baptised on Saturday 18th April at St Thomas, Watchfield.

The Clarinet Collective Spring Concert

Music Around the World

St Mary's Church, Longcot

Saturday 2nd May

6pm

(doors open 5:30pm)



The programme has as its theme the idea of global harmony through the unifying language of music. It will celebrate the richness and diversity of musical cultures from around the world including England, France, Germany, Austria, America, Israel and Russia.

Inspiring works by wonderful composers through the ages, from Bach and Mozart to Holst, Borodin, Dvorak, Bizet and Lennon and McCartney will provide a colourful and relaxing evening's entertainment in the beautiful surroundings of St. Mary's Church.

Admission is free with a retiring collection.

Profits will be shared between St. Mary's Church, the Longcot Village Trust and the UNICEF Ukraine Appeal.

Seats are un-numbered, but places must be reserved in advance by emailing victorialmedcalf@gmail.com.

Bar open before the concert and during the interval.

Annual Parochial Church Meetings

Compton Beauchamp Saturday 9th May 10:30am
Shrivenham, W & B Wednesday 20th May 7pm

Church Electoral Rolls

Church electoral rolls will be revised before the annual parish meetings. If your contact details have changed, please let your parish Electoral Roll Officer know.

Anyone who regularly attends worship in one of our churches or who lives in one of our parishes is welcome to join the electoral roll. This means that you can attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, vote on Church matters, and stand for election to the PCC.

Please contact your church's PCC Secretary or Churchwarden or pick up an application form in church. For an electronic copy, please contact the Benefice Administrator, stating which church you wish to join.

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Ascension Day – Thursday 14th May

We have three services to celebrate Ascension Day.

11:00am Watchfield, St Thomas
Said Holy Communion (BCP)
3:15pm Shrivenham, St Andrew
Messy Church
7:00pm Ashbury, St Mary
Choral Evensong with the Benefice Choir



After the 7pm service there will be a jacket potato supper at Ashbury Village Hall which is open to everyone.

Please let Revd Janet know if you would like to come so we know how many potatoes to cook.

The supper will be free, donations on the night if you wish. associate.vicar@shrivenhamandashbury.co.uk

Benefice Pilgrimage – Sunday 31st May



Meeting at St Mary's Longcot at 2:30pm, we will begin with a short prayer and walk from there to St Swithun's Compton Beauchamp. It's 3 miles and we will be walking on footpaths.



At St Swithun's there will be refreshments and a short service of prayer. We will then return to Longcot with more short prayers when we arrive, and then those who would like to are welcome to pop into the King and Queen for some post walk refreshment.