



# The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'



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## 3rd May 2026 Fifth Sunday of Easter

### **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

### **Monday**

Rock Solid Youth Club is not meeting this week

### **Tuesday**

9:00am Morning Prayer. Live on [Facebook](#)  
1:30pm Tuesday Chronological Bible Study Group  
7 Chapel wick Close, Shrivenham  
7:00pm Shrivenham Methodist Church  
Alpha

### **Wednesday**

9:15am Song and Stories Toddler Group  
Back room, Shrivenham Methodist Church  
9:30am Wednesday Study Group via Zoom  
11:00am Shrivenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)  
ASK Holy Communion  
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 Shrivenham Sports Pavilion  
Café Inspire  
10:30am Compton Beauchamp APCM  
in St Swithun's

### **Sunday 10th May**

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

### **Community Cycle of Prayer**

Please pray this week for all who live and work in Ashdown Estate, and Cozens Grove 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

### **Welcome**

Welcome George Ricky Major who was baptised at St James, Bourton on Sunday 19th April.

### **Annual Parochial Church Meetings**

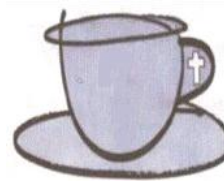
**Compton Beauchamp** Saturday 9th May 10:30am  
**Shrivenham, W & B** Wednesday 20th May 7pm

### **ASK Holy Communion in St Andrew's**

Wednesday 6th May at 11am

The service lasts about 40 minutes and is followed by refreshments. If you would like to come along but struggle to get to church, please contact Pip Dudley and she will arrange for someone to collect you.

[pipdudley50@gmail.com](mailto:pipdudley50@gmail.com) 01793 783481



### **Café Inspire**

**Saturday 9th May**

### **Shrivenham Sports Pavilion**

Drop in for tea, coffee and squash, bacon rolls, homemade cakes and chat between 10am and 11:30am.

Toys, games and crafts to entertain younger visitors. All ages welcome.

### **Parish of Shrivenham with Watchfield and Bourton Electoral Roll**

The parish electoral roll is being revised before the annual parish meeting. If your contact details have changed, please let the Electoral Roll Officer know.

Anyone who regularly attends worship in St Andrew's, St James' or St Thomas' or who lives in this parish 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 the Electoral Roll Officer or pick up an application form in church.

Electoral Roll Officer [pennykh48@gmail.com](mailto:pennykh48@gmail.com)

### 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](mailto:associate.vicar@shrivenhamandashbury.co.uk)

### 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.

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](mailto:victorialmedcalf@gmail.com). Bar open before the concert and during the interval.

### Benefice Pilgrimage – Sunday 31st May



From St Mary's Longcot to St Swithun's Compton Beauchamp and back. If you don't feel that energetic, you are welcome to join us for the first or second half. Meeting at St Mary's at 2:30pm, we will begin with a short prayer and walk from there to St Swithun's.

It's 3 miles and we will be walking on footpaths.

Well-behaved dogs on leads are welcome.



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. Then those who would like to are welcome to pop into the King and Queen for some post walk refreshment.

For more details and a map, contact Revd Janet. [associate.vicar@shrivenhamandashbury.co.uk](mailto:associate.vicar@shrivenhamandashbury.co.uk)