The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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11th October 2026 Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 11th October

9:00am Compton Beauchamp, Compton Regis House
Holy Communion (BCP)

Space in the former chapel in Compton Regis House is very limited so please let Joanna Lambert know in advance if you plan to attend the service 07990 898 175

9:30am Longcot, St Mary
Harvest Festival

9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas
Matins

10:30am Shrivenham, St Andrew & Facebook
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

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

1:15pm Longcot, St Mary
School Harvest Services

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

Friday

5:30pm Shrivenham, St Andrew
Worship and Praise

Saturday

8:30am Shrivenham Men's Breakfast
The Barrington Arms

Sunday 18th October

9:30am Longcot, St Mary
Morning Prayer

9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas & Facebook
Holy Communion (BCP)

10:30am Shrivenham, St Andrew
Holy Communion

11:00am Ashbury, St Mary
Morning Worship

11:00am Bourton, St James
Holy Communion

Community Cycle of Prayer

Please pray this week for all who live and work in Malthouse Close in Ashbury, and Raven Way in Shrivenham.

Showing Gratitude to God Through Giving

Let us pause a moment and reflect on how God has been gracious to us. Every day we wake up is a gift, filled with new possibilities and new opportunities. We need to appreciate where we are right now, so let us not forget to bring our gifts of thanksgiving to God.

How is your attitude towards giving? Are you willing to share with your God what he has given you? How do you feel when you give your offering in church or when you share your resources with others? Do you feel you give the best according to what you have been given? Have ever considered tithing? There are so many ways we can show our appreciation to our God.

Gratitude is the key to unlocking the true happiness, which I believe comes from God. When we focus on what we have, rather than what we lack, we create more space for more joy and abundance to flow into our lives. Even in challenging times, there is always something to be grateful for, whether it's good health, food on your table, work, family, the love of a friend, a roof over our heads, or simply the strength to keep moving forward.

I invite you to take a deep breath and count your blessings and celebrate them. Give whole heartedly to the Lord in gratitude for what he has done for you. Gratitude turns what we have into enough, and through it, we grow richer in spirit and in love.

Revd Patrick

Harvest Flowers in St Andrew's Church, Shrivenham

Congratulations

Congratulations to Kate Jennifer Margaret Wooster and João Pedro Murray Carolino who were married on Monday 21st September at St Andrew's Church, Shrivenham.

Harvest Displays in St Mary's Church, Ashbury

Men's Breakfast – Saturday 17th September

8:30am at The Barrington Arms, Shrivenham

Please let David Ahern know by Wednesday 14th if you plan to attend. 07983 630 655 davidmahern@gmail.com

Harvest Windows in St Andrew's Church, Shrivenham