



The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

"Mirroring the hospitality of God"

Sunday 27th December First Sunday of Christmas



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Sunday 27th December

10:00am Watchfield, St Thomas *
Benefice Holy Communion *
Also live on [Facebook](#).

* Reserved seating – call 01793 783519 to book.

Midweek services resume on Tuesday 5th January

Saturday 2nd January

10:00am Bourton, St James
Family Service

Sunday 3rd January

9:00am Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun
Holy Communion (BCP)
9:30am Longcot, St Mary
Morning Prayer
9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas
Matins (BCP)
10:00am Shrivenham, St Andrew
Family Service
10:00am Ashbury, St Mary
Holy Communion
11.30am Holy Communion. Live on [Facebook](#).
6:30pm Shrivenham, St Andrew
Compline and Benediction

Tuesday

9:00am Morning Prayer. Live on [Facebook](#).

Wednesday Epiphany

9:00am Shrivenham, St Andrew
Morning Prayer. Also on [Facebook](#).

2:00pm Shrivenham, St Andrew
ASK Holy Communion.
Also on [Facebook](#).

Thursday

9:00am Matins (BCP). Live on [Facebook](#).

Rev'd Norma Fergusson will be off duty
from Saturday 26th December until Friday 1st
January.

Canon Paul Richardson will be off duty
from Monday 28th December until Saturday 2nd
January.

For pastoral emergencies please call 07799 545035

The Benefice office will be closed from 24th December
until 4th January. Emails will be checked daily.

Shrivenham Village Crossword Puzzle

First prize £20 - closing date 10th January 2021
You may know the answers, which refer to places or
items visible in the village, or you may have to walk
around to find them! Some of the clues are cryptic.
Set by the people who organised the Treasure Trail.
Entry is £5 for the crossword and clues.
Available from Shrivenham Post Office
David Watson 783405 or Julian Stevens 782065
In aid of St Andrews Church Restoration Project

Alpha Online - ask the big
questions of life and explore the
Christian faith.

Each session starts with a short
video talk looking at different
questions around faith, followed
by discussion in small groups.



Alpha Online will be held via Zoom on
Monday mornings (10.30am - noon)
from 11th January to 15th March 2021.

More information from Jane Ahern
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A joint venture with Shrivenham Methodist Church

Churches Open for Private Prayer

Our churches will be open for private prayer
once a week as follows:

Ashbury 10am – 4pm on Thursday
Compton Beauchamp 9am – 5pm on Sunday
Longcot 10am – 3pm on Wednesday
Shrivenham 9am – 5pm on Sunday and Wednesday
Watchfield 10am – 4pm on Wednesday
Fernham church remains closed to allow Annabelle's
pre-school exclusive access during term time.

Face coverings are mandatory, and you should either
scan the NHS test and trace QR code or use the sign-
in sheets on entering. Hand sanitiser is available and
remember to maintain social distancing.

Please do not come into church if you think you may
have symptoms of Covid 19.

The Character Course

Each week, 'The Character Course' looks at one of
eight themes: learning, hope, love, forgiveness,
gratitude, humour, persistence and curiosity.
The sessions last about 75 minutes. There is a short
video to watch and a bible passage to ponder.

The course is free and will run online via Zoom
on Wednesdays from 13th January to 3rd March 2021.

Join a morning session at 10:30am
or an evening session at 8:00pm.

Contact Jane Ahern thestable@protonmail.com

Ashbury Cycle of Prayer

Please pray this week for all who live and work
in Church Lane.