



The Shrevenham and Ashbury Benefice

“Mirroring the hospitality of God”

Sunday 3rd January Epiphany

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www.shrivenhamandashbury.co.uk

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.

Saturday 2nd January

10:00am Bourton, St James
Family Service

Sunday 3rd January

9:00am Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun
Holy Communion (BCP)

9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas
Matins (BCP)

10:00am Shrevenham, St Andrew
Family Service

10:00am Ashbury, St Mary
Holy Communion

11.30am Holy Communion. Live on [Facebook](#).

Canon Paul Richardson is giving this week's sermon.
Watch on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#) from 9am.

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

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

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

Thursday

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

Sunday 10th January

9:30am Longcot, St Mary
Holy Communion

9:30am Ashbury, St Mary
Morning Prayer

10:00am Shrevenham, St Andrew
Holy Communion

10:00am Watchfield, St Thomas
Holy Communion by Extension (BCP)

11.30am Holy Communion. Live on [Facebook](#).

Ashbury Cycle of Prayer

Please pray this week for all who live and work in Ashdown Estate.

A Guid New Year

Growing up in Scotland, the traditional greeting at this time of year was “a guid new year.”
That seems the right thing to wish you all this morning. A good year in which we can look forward to a lasting reduction in infection rates and stress levels and more time with the people we love and care about.
A year in which we can be even more aware of God's presence alongside us in moments of happiness as well as times of distress.

Despite being in tier 4, we have not been instructed to close our churches but we have been instructed to review our risk assessments and do everything we possibly can to keep everyone safe. This may mean reducing the numbers of services, so please keep an eye on Facebook, our website and the weekly sheets for details as we respond to changing circumstances.

The online services will continue on Sunday and midweek, so if you are not comfortable coming into church just yet, please do join us there.

And please do contact me, Paul or your churchwardens if you have any questions or concerns. May the blessing of the God who is always with us be on you, and those you love and pray for, today, this year and always. Amen

Norma

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

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.

Contact Jane Ahern to sign up for either course.
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Clergy Days Off

Rev'd Fergusson is off duty on Monday
Canon Richardson is off duty on Monday & Tuesday