



The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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Sunday 20th November 2022

Christ the King

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

Please respect the concerns of others in the congregation. Hand sanitizer is available.

Sunday 20th November

Richard Fergusson is giving today's online sermon. Watch on [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) or our [website](#) from 9am.

- 7:45am Shrivenham, St Andrew
Holy Communion (BCP)
- 9:00am Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun
Holy Communion (BCP)
- 9:30am Longcot, St Mary
Morning Prayer
- 9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas
Matins
- 10:00am Bourton, St James
Holy Communion
- 10:15am Shrivenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)
Holy Communion
- 11:00am Ashbury, St Mary
Shoobox Sunday Service

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

- 9:00am Morning Prayer. Live on [Facebook](#)
- 9:15am Song and Stories Toddler Group
Shrivenham Methodist Church
- 10:30am Wednesday Study Group via Zoom
- 7:00pm Wednesday Study Group
12 Chapelwick Close Shrivenham
01793 783481

Thursday

- 9:00am Baby & Toddler Group in St Andrew's
- 9:00am Matins. Live on [Facebook](#)
- 5:30pm Shrivenham, St Andrew
ASK Evening Prayer
- 6:00pm Benefice Choir Practice
in St Mary's Longcot

Friday

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

Sunday 27th November

- 10:15am Shrivenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)
Benefice Holy Communion with Choir
for the Feast of St Andrew
- 5:30pm Longcot, St Mary
Benefice Advent Carol Service with Choir
and handbells

Rev'd Norma Fergusson is off duty

from the afternoon of Sunday 20th November until Friday 25th November inclusive.

For pastoral emergencies please call 01793 783519.

For other church enquiries please contact your local churchwarden or the Benefice Administrator.

An Evening with 'Shrivenham Ladies Choir' and 'After Eight Glee Club'

Friday 25th November at 7.30pm
St Andrew's Church Shrivenham

A light-hearted programme featuring a mix of traditional and modern songs.

Tickets £10 from Shrivenham Post Office, st-andrews-shrivenham.eventbrite.com and on the door. Bar and Raffle.

In aid of Church Funds



Established in 2017, Shrivenham Ladies Choir initially included various friends and acquaintances; in fact mostly anyone who expressed a vague interest in spending time with other like-minded women on a Thursday evening! Since then there have been a few new faces and we now comprise twenty-one ladies. We are looking forward to singing in St Andrew's at long last; our first concert planned for Spring 2020 was postponed for obvious reasons.



Starting out as a small informal off-shoot of Wessex Male Choir, After Eight Glee Club has evolved over the years, both in terms of repertoire and singers. We sing songs that suit smaller venues and occasions in and around the Swindon area and have raised substantial sums for a variety of charities in recent years. We are very pleased to support SLC in this fundraising concert.

Community Cycle of Prayer

Please pray this week for all who live and work in Ashdown Estate near Ashbury, and Townsend Road (including Rhymes House) in Shrivenham.

The Well at Watchfield

The Well seeks to provide a regular local meeting point for any military veterans or families who have been badly affected by combat stress in any of its different forms. We have been meeting for over a year now. The evenings are welcoming, informal and militarily savvy - they provide opportunities to listen and be listened to, refreshments are included, and it is all free - what's not to like?

The next meeting is on Tuesday 22nd November at 7:30pm at AFCU offices, Unit 24 in the Business Park off Majors Road in Watchfield. We have a local speaker, Olly Church, coming and he will share both his own experiences of combat in Afghanistan, and his resourceful response. All are welcome.

More information from: jeremyclare@hotmail.com.

Ashbury Church Christmas Bazaar and Raffle

Saturday 26th November at 2pm in the Village Hall

Lots of stalls including cakes, books, bottle tombola, gifts, toys and games, and refreshments.

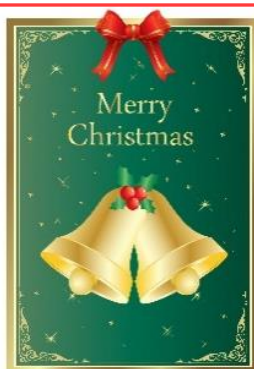
If you are able to support this event by providing items to sell please contact Maggie Simons on 01793 710801

All proceeds to St Mary's Church

Advent Calendars, Candles and Christmas Cards

Margaret Hern has a good selection of Christian charity Christmas cards, Advent calendars and candles for sale from the Lighthouse Book Shop in Highworth.

Margaret lives in Shrivenham. Ring her to arrange a time to visit 01793 782100



Shrivenham Warm Spaces Initiative

Are you struggling to heat your home?
Would you like somewhere warm to go in the winter?

The following places will be warm and open at the times shown below.

St Andrews Church: every day until dusk except during services and Thursday mornings.

The Methodist Church: Wednesdays from 9am till noon, and Fridays from 10am to 1pm.

The Barrington Room at the Memorial Hall: weekdays from 1pm to 5pm.

If you're struggling to pay your bills or buy other essentials like food and drink, visit the Vale of White Horse District Council '[Cost of Living](#)' page for information about what support is available.

Bottle Tombola in Aid of St Thomas' Church Watchfield

The church will be running a bottle tombola in aid of St Thomas at the annual Christmas Fayre at Watchfield Village Hall on Saturday 3rd December. It is open from 10am till 2pm.

St Andrew's Annual Brass Cleaning Morning

Saturday 26th November at 9am.
Helpers would be appreciated. Coffee provided!

Armistice Day Friday 11th November at 11am



We were pleased to welcome a group of pupils from Shrivenham Primary School to lay a wreath at the service at Shrivenham War Memorial. They were a real credit to the school, especially when reading before all those attending. They certainly deserved their cake at the coffee morning in church afterwards!



Remembrance Sunday at Compton Beauchamp War Memorial



Villagers at the Act of Remembrance were joined by members of the Old Berkshire Hunt Pony Club.