



# The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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**Sunday 30th April 2023**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**



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

## Sunday 30th April

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

11:00am Fernham, St John & [Facebook](#)  
Benefice Holy Communion  
with the Benefice Choir

## Tuesday 2nd May

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

## Wednesday

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

9:15am Song and Stories Toddler Group  
Shrivenham Methodist Church

10:30am Wednesday Study Group via Zoom

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

7:00pm Wednesday Study Group  
St Andrew's Church

## Thursday

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

9:00am Baby & Toddler Group in St Andrew's  
Shrivenham, St Andrew's  
Messy Church

6:30pm Benefice Choir Practice in St Andrew's

## Friday

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

3:00pm Bourton, St James  
Ashes Interment – Mary Hatherall RIP

## Sunday 7th May

7:45am Shrivenham, St Andrew  
Holy Communion (BCP)

10:15am Shrivenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)  
Benefice Holy Communion with the Choir  
In celebration of the Coronation

3:00pm Longcot Methodist Chapel  
United Service

5:30pm Longcot, St Mary & [Facebook](#)  
Choral Evensong with the Benefice Choir

## **Choral Evensong with the Benefice Choir**

St Mary's Church Longcot  
Sunday 7th May at 5:30pm



A wonderful, peaceful end to a day of celebrations.  
Collection in aid of church funds.

## **Community Cycle of Prayer**

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



St Andrew's Shrivenham  
Thursday 4th April  
from 3:15 – 5pm

Messy Church is a church  
with a difference!

A chance to be creative, hear Bible stories, eat yummy  
food and have fun with friends and family.  
Suggested donation of £1.50 per child.

To book click [here](#),  
scan the QR code or email  
[standfast.shrivenham@yahoo.com](mailto:standfast.shrivenham@yahoo.com)

**Messy Church is open to  
the whole Benefice.**



## **Coffee Morning**

Friday 12th May from 10am - 12 noon  
in St Andrew's Church Shrivenham  
Come and join us for coffee and a chat.

## **Annual Parish Meeting**

**Compton Beauchamp** Saturday 20th May 10:30am

## Longcot Flower Festival



The bell ringers have made a start on their display!

## Art and Poetry for Performance

St Mary's Church Longcot

A lively and fun presentation in which local poet and author Diana Moore shares ways of seeing art on a range of subjects (from pets to museum pieces) and how to write and present to an audience. Includes creating a song lyric from a poem.

Two sessions are available:

Wednesday 10th May from 10:15am to 11am  
Friday 12th May 4pm – 4:45pm. This session is aimed at people with school age children. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

No charge, but places must be booked in advance by email to [diana@diana-moore.com](mailto:diana@diana-moore.com)

## Condolences

Our condolences to the family and friends of the late Paddy Forty.  
Please keep them in your prayers.



St. Mary's Church, Longcot

## LONGCOT FLOWER FESTIVAL

### 'Ring for the King'

Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> – Sun. 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023 Open daily 10am - 4pm



### & CONCERT

by The Clarinet Collective

### 'Music fit for a King'

On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30 pm

To celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III the village of Longcot is holding a special flower festival and concert in St. Mary's church. Floral displays will centre around the coronation colours of gold, purple and white and reflect the joy of the occasion.

The programme for the concert will feature music from across the centuries with a royal connection, including works by Mozart, Bach and Benny Goodman, and will open in festive mood with the overture from Handel's Music for the Royal Fireworks.



Admission free with donations. No booking is needed for the flower festival, however all seats for the concert will need to be reserved in advance by emailing [victorialmedcalf@gmail.com](mailto:victorialmedcalf@gmail.com) Bar open from 6 pm.



## Fernham Big Coronation Tea



Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May  
St John's Church Fernham from 3pm onwards