

The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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Sunday 10th October Trinity 19

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

Wearing a mask and observing social distancing in church is encouraged but not mandatory.

Please sign in or use the QR code.

Hand sanitiser is available.

Holy Communion will be offered in one kind only.

Sunday 10th October

Canon Paul Richardson is giving today's sermon. Watch on <u>Facebook</u> or <u>YouTube</u> from 9:00am.

9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas

9:30am Matins (BCP)
Longcot, St Mary

Holy Communion

10:15am Shrivenham, St Andrew & Facebook

Holy Communion Ashbury, St Mary

11:00am Ashbury, St Mary

Holy Communion

3:00pm Benefice Sunday School

Shrivenham, St Andrew

<u>Tuesday</u>

9:00am Morning Prayer. Live on <u>Facebook</u>

<u>Wednesday</u>

9:00am Shrivenham, St Andrew & <u>Facebook</u>

9:15am Morning Prayer
Song and Stories Toddler Group

Shrivenham Methodist Church

10:30am Wednesday Study Group via Zoom.

7:00pm Alpha at the Ahern's.

More information below.

<u>Thursday</u>

9:00am Baby & Toddler Group in St Andrew's

9:00am Matins. Live on <u>Facebook</u>

10:00am Ashbury, St Mary & Facebook

Holy Communion

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

Friday

9:00am Ashbury, St Mary & Facebook

Morning Prayer

5:30pm Shrivenham, St Andrew & Facebook

Worship and Praise

Ashbury Cycle of Prayer

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

Rev'd Norma Fergusson is off duty until Friday 15th October.

Please contact Canon Paul Richardson for pastoral issues, and your local churchwarden or the Benefice Administrator for other church enquiries.

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Sunday 17th

7:45am Shrivenham, St Andrew

Holy Communion (BCP)

9:00am Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun

Matins (BCP)

9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas

Matins (BCP)

9:30am Longcot, St Mary

Morning Prayer

10:00am Bourton, St James & <u>Facebook</u>

Holy Communion

10:15am Shrivenham, St Andrew

Holy Communion

11:00am Ashbury, St Mary

Taizé Service

3:00pm Benefice Sunday School

Longcot, St Mary

5:30pm Shrivenham, St Andrew & Facebook

Choral Evensong with Benefice Choir

Benefice Sunday School Sunday 10th October

St Andrew's Church Shrivenham

Songs, prayer, Bible story, activities and more!

For children aged 4 – 11 years of age

No need to book in advance All sessions open to the whole Benefice

Drop your child off for a 3:00pm start, then at 4:00pm come and see what they



have been doing and have a cuppa and cake as we celebrate their work with a short family service finishing at about 4:30pm. Parents who wish to stay for the whole time are welcome to do so.

Next week (17th) at Longcot.

The sessions will rotate between the churches in Ashbury, Shrivenham, Watchfield and Longcot on a weekly basis.

Alpha - Change of Day and Venue

Explore life, faith & meaning.
Bring an open mind and an open heart.

Alpha is now going to meet every Wednesday at 7:00pm from 13th October to 15th December at the Ahern's house in Shrivenham.

Please contact Jane if you would like to come along. 01793 783521 or thestable@protonmail.com



Congratulations and Happy Birthday

Shrivenham resident Ron Johnson celebrates his 100th birthday on Saturday 9th October and we all wish him many happy returns!



Here he is at the service last Sunday to celebrate the re-opening of St Mary's Church Longcot. The initial fundraising efforts and vision to improve church facilities of Ron's late daughter Diane (Blease) have finally come to fruition with the completion of the building work to create St Mary's Community Hub.



A glider pilot during WWII, Ron's first Operational flight was Operation Market Garden, the battle for the Bridge at Arnhem, in September 1944.
Ron (centre) was 25 when the photo above was taken a couple of years after the war.

Prisons Week 10th - 16th October 2021

Prisons Week aims to encourage prayer and awareness of the needs of all those affected by prisons: prisoners and their families, victims of crime and their communities, those working in the criminal justice system and the many people who are involved in caring for those affected by crime on the inside and outside of our prisons.

Lord, you offer freedom to all people.

We pray for those in prison.

Break the bonds of fear and isolation that exist.

Support with your love prisoners and their families and friends,

prison staff and all who care.

Heal those who have been wounded by the activities of others, especially the victims of crime.

Help us to forgive one another.

To act justly, love mercy and walk humbly together with Christ in His strength and in His Spirit, now and every day. Amen

More information and daily prayers here: www.prisonsweek.org

Poppy Brooches

These poppy brooches crocheted by Angela Davis for Remembrance Sunday are on sale for £2 each in St Thomas' Church Watchfield.



In aid of St Thomas' Church Funds

A boot-full of Harvest donations on the way to Swindon Women's Refuge.

Thank you to everyone who contributed.

