



The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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Sunday 9th July 2023

Fifth Sunday after Trinity



**The service times listed below were correct at the time of publication (7th July).
Our website will be updated daily to reflect any changes.**

Sunday 9th July

Rev'd Norma Fergusson is giving today's online sermon.
Watch on [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) or our [website](#).

- 9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas
Matins
- 9:30am Longcot, St Mary
Morning Prayer
- 10:15am Shrivenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)
Holy Communion
- 11:00am Ashbury, St Mary
Morning Prayer

Monday

- 11:00am Longcot, St Mary
Burial - Christine Joyce Burden RIP

Tuesday

- 9:00am Morning Prayer. Live on [Facebook](#)
- 7:00pm Shrivenham with Watchfield & Bourton PCC

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

Thursday

- 9:00am Matins. Live on [Facebook](#)
- 9:00am Baby & Toddler Group in St Andrew's
- 10:00am Ashbury, St Mary & [Facebook](#)
Holy Communion
- 6:30pm Benefice Choir Practice in St Andrew's

Friday

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

Saturday 15th July

- 8:30am Men's Breakfast
Prince of Wales, Shrivenham

Community Cycle of Prayer

Please pray this week for all who live and work
in Chapel Lane in Ashbury, and Hicks Close and
Pound Close in Shrivenham.

Welcome

Welcome to Evelyn Alice Legg and Sophia Joyce Legg
who were baptised at St Andrew's Church
Shrivenham on Saturday 1st July.

Cakes Please

We need cakes for the refreshment stall for Shrivenham
Open Gardens on Sunday 9th July. Please contact Pip
(01793 783481 or Marilyn (01793 782508)
if you are able to help.

Sunday 16th July

- 7:45am Shrivenham, St Andrew
Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10:00am Bourton, St James & [Facebook](#)
Holy Communion
- 11:00am Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun
Holy Communion (BCP)
for the Feast of St Swithun

Ashbury, Longcot and Fernham parishioners –
please join the congregation at Compton Beauchamp

Shrivenham and Watchfield parishioners –
please join the congregation at Bourton

Faringdon Singers Summer Concert Dreams of the Countryside

Sunday 9th July at 7pm
St Mary's Church Longcot

The programme includes works by
Vaughan Williams, Holst and Saint-Saëns

Musical Director: Clare Woodall
Accompanist: Terence Carter

Doors open 6:30pm
Bar

Free entry - donations in aid of St Mary's Church

Shrivenham Open Gardens

Sunday 9th July
from 2pm till 5pm

There will be at least
10 gardens to explore
including two that are
opening for the first
time, and another that
hasn't been open
for several years now.

Refreshments will be
available in St
Andrew's Church
during the afternoon.

Map and list of gardens £5.00 available from
Shrivenham Post Office in advance,
or the church and open gardens on the day.

No charge for accompanied children.

In aid of St Andrew's Church Restoration Project



Longcot Methodist Chapel – End of an Era



Sunday 2nd July saw the end of an era with the final service in Longcot Methodist Chapel. It wasn't a sad occasion, but a wonderful celebration of all that had been achieved and all the good things that would continue to happen as the seeds sown over the years continue to blossom and flourish.



Wendy Smith had made a miniature Chapel out of cake, which was almost (only almost) too pretty to eat, and tasted delicious.



Stella Tidmarsh was presented with a bouquet of flowers and a picture of the Chapel as a token of thanks for all she had done and would continue to do in the future. Retirement may be beckoning, but only from a distance.

Two Wonderful Concerts

Thank you to Avebury Vocal Ensemble and the Wayland Recorder Orchestra for giving two very enjoyable concerts last weekend. Both were well-attended and raised good sums for St Mary's Ashbury and St Andrew's Restoration Project.



Avebury Vocal Ensemble in St Mary's, Ashbury



Wayland Recorder Orchestra



Conductor and soloist Helen Hooker with Rosemary Robinson on spinet