



# The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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## Sunday 28th January 2024 Candlemas

### Sunday 28th January

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

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

### Tuesday

9:00am Morning Prayer. Live on [Facebook](#)  
1:00pm Bereavement Group  
5 Martens Road, Shrivenham

### Wednesday

9:00am Shrivenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)  
Morning Prayer  
9:15am Song and Stories Toddler Group  
Back room, Shrivenham Methodist Church  
10:30am Wednesday Study Group via Zoom  
2:15pm Kingsdown Crematorium  
Funeral – Philip Laird RIP  
All welcome  
7:00pm Wednesday Study Group  
St Andrew's Vicarage

### Thursday 1st February

8:45am Baby & Toddler Group in St Andrew's  
9:00am Matins. Live on [Facebook](#)  
3:15pm Shrivenham, St Andrew  
Messy Church  
6:30pm Benefice Choir Practice in St Andrew's

### Friday

9:00am Matins. Live on [Facebook](#)  
3:15pm Bourton, St James  
Pinewood School Service

### Saturday

10:00am Bourton, St James  
Family Service

### Sunday 4th February

7:45am Shrivenham, St Andrew  
Holy Communion (BCP)  
9:00am Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun  
Holy Communion (BCP)  
9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas  
Holy Communion by Extension  
9:30am Longcot, St Mary & [Facebook](#)  
Holy Communion  
10:15am Shrivenham, St Andrew  
Family Service  
11:00am Ashbury, St Mary  
Morning Prayer  
5:30pm Shrivenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)  
Choral Evensong for Candlemas  
with the Benefice Choir

### Come and See – The Way of Love A course for Lent and for Life

Lent is early this year with Ash Wednesday on 14th February. Join us as we share the Diocesan Lent course, 'Come and See', which explores how God calls each of us into relationship with him, and how his love teaches us to love others. Through daily emails and a short Sunday video, 'Explore the Way of Love' takes a closer look at the Commandments and what they mean in the context of what Jesus called the two most important: you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and soul and mind and strength, and you shall love your neighbour as yourself. God's invitation is to walk the 'Way of Love' in relationship with him, while also showing his love to our neighbours. To find out more, talk to Norma, Patrick or Richard or visit [oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see](http://oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see)

### Community Cycle of Prayer

Please pray this week for all who live and work in Station Road in Ashbury, and Buckland Drive in Shrivenham.

**Rev'd Patrick Mabhunu is off duty  
from Tuesday 23rd January until Wednesday  
7th February inclusive.**

### Condolences

Our condolences to the family and friends of the late Bob Birtwhistle, Kathleen Ray, Jack Sawyer and Joyce Margaret Harvey  
Please keep them in your prayers.



St Andrew's Church  
Shrivenham  
Thursday 1st February  
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.**

