



The Shrivenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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Sunday 2nd July 2023

Fourth Sunday after Trinity



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

Sunday 2nd July

Padre Phil Craven 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
Matins
- 9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas & [Facebook](#)
Holy Communion (BCP)
for the Feast of St Thomas
- 9:30am Longcot, St Mary
Morning Prayer
- 10:15am Shrivenham, St Andrew
Family Service
- 11:00am Ashbury, St Mary
Morning Prayer
- 3:00pm Longcot Methodist Chapel
Final service before the chapel closes

**Please note that Compline and Benediction
has been cancelled**

Tuesday

- 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 Service of the Word
- 7:00pm Wednesday Study Group
St Andrew's Vicarage

Thursday

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

Friday

- 9:00am Matins. Live on [Facebook](#)
- 2:15pm Kingsdown Crematorium
Cremation – Brian Foster RIP (family only)
- 3:15pm Shrivenham, St Andrew
Memorial Service for Brian Edgar Foster
All welcome

Saturday 8th July

- 10:00am Café Inspire in Shrivenham School Hall

Community Cycle of Prayer

Please pray this week for all who live and work
in Berrycroft Lane in Ashbury, and Hazell's Lane
in Shrivenham.

Sunday 9th July

- 9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas
Matins
- 9:30am Longcot, St Mary
Morning Prayer
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Holy Communion
- 11:00am Ashbury, St Mary
Morning Prayer

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

Congratulations



Our congratulations to Elizabeth Anne Hughes
and Jeffrey Tremaine who were married in
St Mary's Church Ashbury on Saturday 24th June.

Mini Music Festival

Do join us for three lovely concerts at the beginning of July.



Wayland Recorder Orchestra Conducted by Helen Hooker



Sunday 2nd July at 3pm in Shrivenham School Hall

Join us for a varied programme of music from the last 450 years including works by Fauré, JS Bach, Orlando Gibbons, Mendelssohn, Holst and modern classics of the recorder repertoire.

Come and hear the full range of recorders from the tiny soprano to the eight-foot subcontrabass and the wonderful playing skills of Helen Hooker in the Concerto in A minor RV 108 by Antonio Vivaldi.

Tickets £10 (under 16s £5) from Shrivenham Post Office or online at shrivenham-church.eventbrite.co.uk



Avebury Vocal Ensemble Summer Concert – English Choral Classics



Sunday 2nd July at 6.00pm in St Mary's Church Ashbury

This is a very special opportunity to hear some wonderful English choral classics including Handel's "Zadok the Priest", Parry's "I was Glad" as well as music by WH Harris, Elgar, Sullivan and Byrd.

Conductor: Peter Tims, Organist: Simon Dinsdale

There will be drinks available in the interval.

Tickets £10 in advance from www.aveburyvocal.org or from Maggie Simons (01793 710801)

Also available on the door for £12 (under 18s free)

In aid of church funds



Faringdon Singers – Dreams of the Countryside

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

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

Musical Director: Clare Woodall, Accompanist: Terence Carter

Donations in aid of St Mary's Church

COLLECT

O God, the protector of all who trust in you,
without whom nothing is strong,
nothing is holy:
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;
that with you as our ruler and guide
we may so pass through things temporal
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;
grant this, heavenly Father,
for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING Jeremiah 28:5-9

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfil the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

Or **Genesis 22:1-14**

PSALM Psalm 89:1-4. 15-18

R *Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing.*

Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing;
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.
For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever;

you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens. **R**

"I have made a covenant with my chosen one;
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:
'I will establish your line for ever, and preserve your throne for all generations.'" **R**

Happy are the people who know the festal shout!
they walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.
They rejoice daily in your name; they are jubilant in your righteousness. **R**

For you are the glory of their strength,
and by your favour our might is exalted.
Truly, the Lord is our ruler;
the Holy One of Israel is our king. **R**

SECOND READING

Romans 6:12-end

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have

become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GOSPEL Matthew 10:40-end

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Jesus said to the twelve: "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple – truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

POST COMMUNION

Eternal God,
comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken,
you have fed us at the table of life and hope:
teach us the ways of gentleness and peace,
that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.



Sunday 2 July 2023
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 10:37-42

In the
GOSPEL TODAY

BE KIND!

Following Jesus

Unjumble the words.
Tick the things you choose
to do that mean you
are following Jesus.

I am following
Jesus when I:

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f _ _ _ (higt)

p _ _ (yra)

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Jesus tells us to put God first in our lives. Nothing is more important.
We must share God's love and be kind to everyone.
God will be pleased with even the smallest kind
thing we do, like giving someone a cup of water.

Colour a cup of kindness

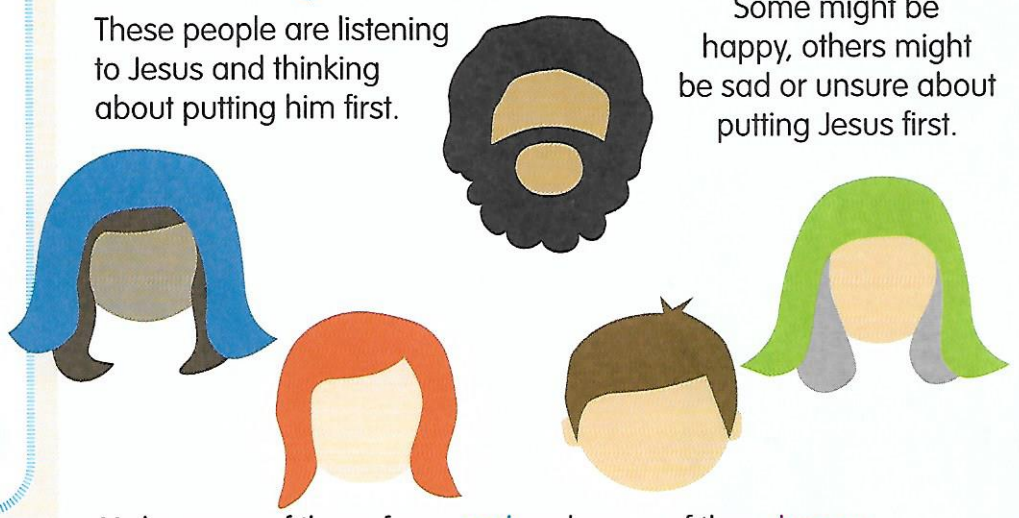
Jesus said: "A cup of cold
water to a thirsty traveller
is a cup of kindness".
Give someone a cup
of kindness this week.
Write their name on the
cup and decorate it.



Thinking of Jesus

These people are listening
to Jesus and thinking
about putting him first.

Some might be
happy, others might
be sad or unsure about
putting Jesus first.



Make some of these faces **sad** and some of them **happy**.
Show how you think they are feeling by finishing their faces.

A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, help me to put
you first. I want to be like
you and share God's love
with everyone around me.
Help me to be kind. Amen.

Unjumble the letters

EINBKD

Make a 2 letter and a 4 letter word.

