



The Shrevenham and Ashbury Benefice

'Mirroring the hospitality of God'

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Sunday 31st March 2024 Easter Sunday

Easter Eve Saturday 30th March

7:30pm Shrevenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)
Easter Vigil with the Benefice Choir

The Easter Eve service is one of the most beautiful services of the Christian year, filled with imagery, symbolism and deep meaning as the new Easter Light is brought into the church.

Easter Sunday 31st March

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

9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas
Holy Communion (BCP)
9:30am Longcot, St Mary
Holy Communion
10:15am Shrevenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)
Holy Communion
11:00am Ashbury, St Mary
Holy Communion
11:00am Fernham, St John
Holy Communion

**No midweek morning services until
Tuesday 9th April**

Wednesday

2:00pm Shrevenham, St Andrew & Facebook
ASK Holy Communion

Saturday 6th April

10:00am Bourton, St James
Family Service

Community Cycle of Prayer

Please pray this week for all who live and work in College Farm Lane in Ashbury, and Cleycourt Road in Shrevenham.

**Rev'd Norma Fergusson and Rev'd Patrick Mabhunu
will be off duty from Monday 1st April to
Saturday 6th April inclusive.**

For pastoral emergencies please call 07799 545035

The Benefice office will be closed

from Sunday 1st to Saturday 6th April inclusive.
Emails will be checked regularly.

Songs & Stories and Baby & Toddler Group

The groups that meet on Wednesday and Thursday mornings are not open during the school Easter holidays.

Sunday 7th April

7:45am Shrevenham, St Andrew
Holy Communion (BCP)
9:00am Compton Beauchamp, St Swithun
Holy Communion (BCP)
9:30am Watchfield, St Thomas
Holy Communion (BCP)
9:30am Longcot, St Mary & [Facebook](#)
Holy Communion
10:15am Shrevenham, St Andrew
Family Service
11:00am Ashbury, St Mary
Morning Prayer
5:30pm Shrevenham, St Andrew & [Facebook](#)
Compline and Benediction

EASTER EGG HUNT

**Saturday 30th
March 2024**

1pm - 3.30 pm

**Starting at
St Thomas'
Church,
Watchfield**

**£1.50
entry**

Everyone welcome!

All proceeds to St Thomas church

Welcome

Welcome to Matilda Artemis Fenna
who was baptised at St Mary's Church, Ashbury
on Sunday 17th March

Church Electoral Rolls

Church electoral rolls will be revised before the annual parish meetings. Please let your parish Electoral Roll Officer know if your contact details have changed since last year. If you would like to join the electoral roll, please contact your church's PCC Secretary or Churchwarden, or pick up an application form in church.

Ashbury Churchyard 'Spring Clean'

Saturday 13th April from 10am to Noon

We would greatly appreciate as many helpers as we can to carry out our annual Churchyard 'Spring Clean'.

Usually we attract about 24 people such that as well getting the Churchyards ready for summer it is also a very social occasion. Hot refreshments will be available.

As well as appropriate garden tools (secateurs, hard brush, trowel) it would be helpful if, those who can, could bring a wheelbarrow or strimmer

Newcomers to the village are especially welcome where you can get to know other locals

A Variety Concert in Celebration of St George's Day

St Andrew's Church Shrevenham

Saturday 20th April

7:30pm

Tickets £10 (Under 16s £5) on sale soon

Bar and Raffle

In aid of St Andrew's Restoration Project

Annual Parish Meetings

Longcot & Fernham	Wednesday 10th April 7pm
Compton Beauchamp	Saturday 13th April 11am
Shrevenham, W & B	Wednesday 17th April 7pm
Ashbury	Wednesday 24th April 7pm

Car Boot Items Wanted! Can You Help?

We are looking to raise funds towards our running costs at St Swithun's Church, Compton Beauchamp.

Suitable items would be bric-a-brac, crockery, DVDs, books, toys, clothing in good condition etc.

Please note all items are freely given on the understanding that all unsold items will be given to other charities as we do not have the facilities to store.

If you have any items that you are willing to donate, please contact [Louise Slater](#) or [Joanna Lambert](#).

Thank you

A prayer for this time of transition

Faithful and loving God, we hold our Benefice before you in this time of transition.

Be with us in our waiting, in our expectation and in our preparation.

Be with our new incumbent as he or she also waits, expects and prepares.

Bring us together in love for you and for this Benefice, and be our light for the way ahead.

In Jesus' name, Amen

Longcot Churchyard

