



Knowing Jesus
Sharing God's Love
Caring for People

St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington

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11th August Trinity 11

Morning Worship

Lead: *Raymond*

Stewards: *Mary D, Lesley A*

A/V: *Steve J / Rachel*

Welcome & Notices

MP881 Lord I lift your name

Confession

Isaiah 25:6-9 (Steve)

Psalm 68

John 11:1-44 (Jane Y)

MP1011 There's a place

Sermon (Raymond)

Creed

Intercessions (Libby)

MP146 Fill Thou my life

Blessing

Church Café

Rachel & Diana

Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever Amen.

Word for The Week: Deciding to live

Have you read (or watched Ridley Scott's film version of) Andy Weir's "The Martian"? It's Science Fiction, of course, but it is also a study in crisis decision making. Of all the things going on, what is the most important thing to do now? The hero, Mark Watney, doesn't get suffocated by the indecision we often experience when there is far too much to do than there is time or energy to accomplish; instead he solves problem after problem, always focused on what actually needs to be done. And in true Hollywood-style, he succeeds.

Of course, things work in novels much more easily than in real life, but the principle of focusing on what is important is something we need to take seriously. But what is important?

Jesus challenged his disciples about their commitment, and it is Peter (of course) who replies: "Lord, to whom should we go. You have the words of eternal life." John 6:68. In all the busyness and stress of today, the eternal life can seem distant and deferrable – something we can safely put off until tomorrow.

But Jesus doesn't say that eternal life starts after we die – "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." John 10:10.

Raymond

Parish Outing to Waterperry Gardens

Wheatley, Oxford

Including 5pm worship in the ancient Saxon church of St Mary the Virgin



On Sunday 8th September

Outward departure from Shaw: 1:15pm for 1:30pm.

Return departure 6.15pm for 6.30pm.

Coach fare plus group entry £22.00 per person.



Sign-up sheet at the rear of the church.



The team continue to ask for our **help with restocking**. Can you add any of these items to your shopping this week, and leave in the donation baskets on the way out? Thankyou.



Drop-off locations & latest lists:
(and links to the Foodbank App!)

<https://westberks.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Monetary donations also gratefully received online

Urgently Needed, this week

- Biscuits
- Shampoo, shower gel, deodorant
- Tinned vegetables
- Confectionery, sweets & treats
- Tinned soup or Cup-a-Soup
- Instant coffee
- Cereal or cereal bars

Well Stocked, NO MORE REQUIRED, thankyou:
Baked Beans, Pasta

Low on Stock:

- UHT Milk – full fat or semi-skimmed
- Long life fruit juice
- Squash drinks
- Tinned fruit
- Ketchup
- Size 2 Nappies
- Long-life sponge puddings
- Tinned custard or rice puddings
- Dried milk or Marvel
- Mug shots or Pot Noodles



Booking is now open, for local Heritage Open Day event

Reconstructing Donnington Castle

Saturday 14th September

9.30 for 10am start, 4pm finish

New findings about the castle's history

At St Mary's Church, Shaw, ending at the castle.

More details at: www.eventbrite.co.uk

Full link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/heritage-open-day-reconstructing-donnington-castle-tickets-944176516377>

Read Mark

Mark 12:13-17 (NIV)



Paying the Imperial Tax to Caesar

¹³ Later they sent some of the Pharisees and Herodians to Jesus to catch him in his words. ¹⁴ They came to him and said, “Teacher, we know that you are a man of integrity. You aren’t swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are; but you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. Is it right to pay the imperial tax[a] to Caesar or not? ¹⁵ Should we pay or shouldn’t we?”

But Jesus knew their hypocrisy. “Why are you trying to trap me?” he asked. “Bring me a denarius and let me look at it.” ¹⁶ They brought the coin, and he asked them, “Whose image is this? And whose inscription?”

“Caesar’s,” they replied.

¹⁷ Then Jesus said to them, “Give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s and to God what is God’s.”

And they were amazed at him.

Meeting Point is taking a summer break until Tuesday 10th September

when you can join us (9.30-11.15am) to have time together for you & your little ones

For more details over the summer, contact Libby: tel: 01635 30719

or by email: libby.goldsack@btinternet.com

For Prayer

At Shaw Church, we keep a list of people who have asked for public prayer. If you would like to be included, please let the office know.



- ***Cynthia Lane, Mark Hutson, Ruth Fisher, June Milsom, Geoffrey Keegan, Brian Eaton.***
- ***Laurie Clarke and family as they mourns his wife, Amanda; (funeral to be held here at St Mary's on Wed 21st Aug, 12.30pm).***
- ***Our nursing home fellowship members, including Mary Taylor, Joan Lamonby, Sylvia Reed, Chris Fenwick, Pat Marshall, Mary Curtis***
- ***This week, the residents of Rosemore Gardens & Riverside Community Centre***
- ***That we will find a new Parish Administrator***
- ***Our ministers Raymond and Ed, and all those who support us in services***

Shaw Church Prayer Chain is available if you would like confidential prayer, please contact Libby on 01635 30719 or libby.goldsack@btinternet.com and she will circulate your request.

What's on this week:

Wednesday	14 th	Morning Prayer	09:15 – 10:00	Church	Raymond
		Barnabas Group	10:00 – 12:00	Church Centre	Mary D
		Midweek Communion	10:30	Church	Raymond

Next Sunday, 18th August 2024

10:00 am Holy Communion Trinity 12

Leader: *Raymond*

Stewards: *Sally, Libby*

Sound/Visuals: *Mike S / Wendy*

LCA: *Mary D*

Intercessions: *Mary D*

Readings: *Psalm 16 (Gill)*

John 20:24-31 (Jane O)

Café: *Heather & Mary R*

Green tip

In the heat, provide wildlife with water, shade and food, including watering fruit trees (which feed pollinators) rather than grass.

Downland Filling Station

3rd Thursdays (exc. Aug & Dec)

Next fill: 19th September



Caroline Whitehead, minister, chaplain and former missionary

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