



Knowing Jesus
Sharing God's Love
Caring for People

St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington
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13th September 10am

Morning Prayer

Lead/Sermon: Raymond

A/V: Olly & Steve J

Stewards: Rachel & Janet S

Welcome, Notices

MP 468 My God how wonderful though Art

Reading 2: Mat 15:21-28 (Jane O)

Psalm 27

MP 1086 Light of the World.

Reading 1: 1Jn1:5-7; 5:1-12 (Janet S)

Sermon

MP 921 Purify my heart

Creed (Apostles)

Intercessions: David

Collect Trinity 15

MP 445 Shine, Jesus Shine

Blessing

Church Café: Judith & Daphne

Collect (Trinity 15)

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:

grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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

Light to see

I was driving home the other evening, and the oncoming car's lights were far too bright (still on full beam? or just very bright?). I found it almost impossible to see the road in front of me.

Bright lights are wonderful for being able to see clearly – and the faster you go, the brighter the light you need; but bright lights are also blinding if they are shining at you, rather than at what you are looking at.

God's light is a bit like that. If we come into the light, we see things we couldn't see before. But we also find it uncomfortable because God's light shows up our sin for what it is. I might rather stay in the dark. And so, I have to choose: to be in God's light and have my sin exposed, or to stay out of God's light and keep myself hidden.

But the real game-changer is that God's light isn't spoiled or deterred by my sin – in fact, the opposite happens. God's light is a purifying light: "if we walk in the light, ... the blood of Jesus, ... purifies us from all sin".

Raymond.



Meeting Point at Shaw Church

RG14 2DR

**Time together for you and your little ones
9.45 to 11.15am on Tuesdays in term time**



**1st Newbury Boys' Brigade and Girls' Association
Open Evening (School Years 4-6)**

Wednesday 16th September 2026

6.15-7.45pm

Shaw Church Centre, Church Road, Shaw, RG142DR

RSVP: 1newbury@boys-brigade.org.uk



**Reminiscence Afternoon on
Shaw cum Donnington**

**Tuesday 15 September 2026
from 2.30 to 4.00 pm in the
Church Centre**

Ring Libby on 30719 or email libby.goldsack@btinternet.com if
you need transport

A chance to share your or your family's memories, or listen to
other people's, over tea and biscuits.

All welcome - do please bring your friends.

Remote Action (things to do from your home to make a difference)

1. Take part in Big River Watch 18 to 24 September (All you need to do is download app and spend 15 minutes on a river survey)

<https://theriverstrust.org/take-action/the-big-river-watch>

2. Support Christian Aid Nepal Floods Appeal using link below or call 0333 555 1060 to donate over the phone

https://give.christianaid.org.uk/donate/CAM-013096?utm_campaign=20260827-CA-IG-EME-Nepal-

3. This Tearfund Week of Global Prayer (6 to 13 September) please pray for all the many needs around the world.

You can also sign up to **pray with Tearfund regularly** and hear about their inspirational work

<https://www.tearfund.org/get-involved/pray/sign-up-to-prayer-updates>

Libby Goldsack 01635 30719 or libby.goldsack@btinternet.com



Please remember to pray for the PCC members, as they prepare for Tuesday's meeting. Pray that God will give them wisdom, unity & a clear vision as they discuss and make decisions for the life of our church



Green tip

Use water-saving settings on washing machines and dishwashers, put a bottle of water or "brick" in your toilet cistern and consider an eco-shower head.

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.



- *Brian Eaton, Ruth Fisher, Cynthia Lane, June Milsom
Maggie Wiseman, Angie Mackoon & family.*
- *Our nursing home fellowship members, including Joan Lamonby,
Chris Fenwick, Pat Lee, Mansour Afshari, Arthur Marshall.*
- *For the Boys' Brigade and Girls Association*
- *Residents of Wansey Gardens & Naseby Rise*
- *Our minister Raymond 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.

Monday	14 th Sept	Myrtle Community Cafe	10.30 – 12.00	Church Centre	David
Tuesday	15 th	Meeting Point	9.45 – 11.15	Church Centre	Libby
		Reminiscence Afternoon	2.30	Church Centre	Libby
		PCC	7.30 – 9.30	Church Centre	Raymond
Wednesday	16 th	Morning Prayer	9:15-10:00	Church	Raymond
		Barnabas Group	10:00	Garden Centre	Mary D
		Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association	6.15	Church/Centre	Jane O

Next Sunday, 20th Sept 10am Holy Communion

Leader Raymond / Sermon?

A/V: Heather & Rachel Stewards: Libby & Paul

Reading 1: 1Jn1:8-2:2: (Lisa)

Reading 2: Mat 16:1-12 (David)

LCA & CA Sally & Mary D Intercessions: Libby

Café: Barbara & Janet

At St Mary's, we value the offerings people make to the work of the church: in their time, activity and money. We will not be passing an offering plate or basket round during the service today. If you would like to support the work of the church financially, please use offering plate or tap-and-go machine by the door, or visit shawchurch.org/giving or scan the QR code.

If you would like to give to the church regularly, please see parishgiving.org.uk



Scan to give to Shaw Church