



Knowing Jesus
Sharing God's Love
Caring for People

St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington

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14th September – Holy Cross Day

10am Morning Worship

Lead: EY A/V: Heather/Wendy

Steward: Janet S and Mary D

Welcome, Notices

RB 117 Praise to the holiest

Confession, Absolution & Collect

MP189 God is working his purpose out

Reading 1 Cor 2:6-16 (Janet S)

Anthem: Hallelujah my father

Reading Luke 7:31-35 (Lesley A)

Sermon

MP 1343 O God, you search me and know me

Creed

Intercessions (Libby)

MP708 To God be the glory

Blessing

Church Café

Jane Y and Daphne

Collect

Almighty God, who in the passion of your

bleamed Son made an instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace: grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer for his sake; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

A meeting of minds

How good is your poker face? I'm sure you will have used one at some point, whether or not it was during a real life game of poker. Though some of us do wear our hearts on our sleeves, all of us have thoughts and feelings which we choose to keep to ourselves.

Indeed, if a person doesn't say anything (or if what they say isn't what they really think) it's impossible to see what's really in their heart or mind. As Paul says in our reading today, nobody knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit (1 Cor 2:11).

How much more is this the case with God? Who could possibly guess what is going on in a mind so infinitely greater than our own if he didn't tell us? So only the Spirit of God knows the depths of God's thoughts.

That's one reason we need revelation as well as reason to know God. But Paul says God has done something even better than reveal his thoughts to us, he has given his Spirit to shape our minds until they reflect something of his.

Ed

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.



- ***Ann Booker, Brian Eaton, Ruth Fisher, Mark Hutson, Cynthia Lane, June Milsom, Maggie Wiseman.***
- ***Our nursing home fellowship members, including Joan Lamonby, Chris Fenwick, Pat Marshall, Pat Lee, Mansour Ashfari.***
- ***For the Boys' Brigade and Girls Association***
- ***The residents of Wansey Gardens & Naseby Rise***
- ***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 in the coming week:

Monday	15 th	Myrtle Cafe	10:30-12:30	Church Centre	David
Tuesday	16 th	Meeting Point	09:45-11:15	Church Centre	Libby
Wednesday	17 th	Morning Prayer	09:15-10:00	Church Centre	Ed
		Barnabas Group	10:00-12:00	Church Centre	Mary D
		Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association	18:15-19:45	Church Centre	Ed
		Newbury Week of Prayer	19:30-20:30	Church	Ed

Next Sunday, 21st September – Trinity 14

10:00 Holy Communion

Leader	Ed	Intercessions:	Sally
Stewards	Sally		George
Sound	Mike S	Visuals	Steve J
Readings	1 Cor 3		Lisa W
	Luke 22:24-30		David W
CA	Rachel and Mary D		
Café	Barbara and Janet		

Green tip

Bamboo and percentage recycled paper are greener toilet paper, but research shows the greenest option is made from 100% British paper-mill waste pulp. (We use this in the church centre.)

Your invitation to a Reminiscence Afternoon on Donnington Village

Tuesday 16 September 2025 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 a cup of tea and biscuits. This session is linked to the theme of the Heritage Open Day which is starting a project on the history of Donnington Village. All welcome - do please bring your friends.