



St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington

Knowing Jesus, Sharing God's Love, Caring for People

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Sunday – Holy Communion

17th March, *Followed by APCM*

Leader: Raymond Steward: Lesley A

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Welcome & Notices

RB 72 *Lift high the cross v123(12)*

Confession

Collect

Anthem - O Saviour of the World

Reading Romans 5:12-21 (Lisa)

Reading John 12:20-28 (David Wilson)

Sermon (Raymond)

Creed

Intercessions (Jane Y)

RB 170 *The church's one foundation v124*

Holy Communion (Raymond)

RB 67 *When I survey*

Blessing

Church Café

Barbara & Janet

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Collect

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Q&A

When there is a serious disaster, like a plane crash or a pandemic, we often demand to know what went wrong – so we can avoid it happening again. It's made many things better: safer air travel, more successful medicine, buildings that don't fall down.

Public Inquiries and Royal Commissions are good when there is a well-focused question, but how do you answer the "What went wrong?" question in the biggest context?

The Bible doesn't shy away from the truth in all its bleak reality. In many ways the Bible exists to ask, and then answer, the very core question: What went wrong?

So what did go wrong? What led to the situation we find ourselves in – a world of selfish people, of wanton destruction, of conflict, of violence, fear and malice?

The Bible doesn't hesitate to answer, and the 'what' comes right at the beginning in Genesis 2. Adam ate an Apple. And he ate it because he thought there was something more important than doing what God said.

And the Bible also tells us what God's response is: Jesus. Adam disobeyed, Jesus obeyed: "by the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous" Rom 5:19.

How shall we respond? We could follow Adam, but my advice would be to follow Jesus.

Raymond

The **Kitchen Project** has been approved for Match Funding – to donate and take advantage, go to <https://app.thegoodexchange.com/project/20220>.

Easter Fliers available this Sunday, please feel free to take some and distribute to friends, family & neighbours.

Easter at St Mary's

Palm Sunday 24th March 10:00 am Morning Worship
A procession will leave the Trinity School mini-roundabout on Love Lane at 9:50 and proceed to the church – all are welcome to join us

Maundy Thursday 28th March 7:30 pm Holy Communion
Good Friday 29th March 2:00 pm Hour at the Cross
Saturday 30th March 10:00 am **Easter Kids**
Easter Sunday 31st March 10:00 am Holy Communion



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Revs Raymond and Ed warmly invite you to join us for our
Easter Celebrations

on Palm Sunday	Jesus entered Jerusalem
on Maundy Thursday	Jesus hosted the The Last Supper
on Good Friday	Jesus died for our sins
on Easter Day	Jesus was raised from the dead!

Easter Kids is on **Saturday** between Good Friday and Easter Sunday
10am — noon, with Easter-themed crafts, stories and fun

Easter Kids is for primary school-age children with a parent/carer.

**He was delivered over to death for our sins
and was raised to life for our justification.** *Romans 4:25*

Meeting Point

Time together for you and your little ones, 9.45 to 11.15 am on Tuesdays in term time (refreshments from 9.15)

Small, informal, friendly group - all in one room. Chat, discussions etc for adults
Play and crafts with little ones. Carpet time and singing for everyone

Come along to any meeting, but if you would like more details,
contact Libby on 01635 30719 or libby.goldsack@btinternet.com

March 2024

19 Mar Easter Crafts
26 Mar The Easter Story (interactive)

April 2024

02&09 April No meeting
16 April - Informal

Read Mark

Mark 5:21-43



Jesus Raises a Dead Girl and Heals a Sick Woman

²¹ When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a large crowd gathered around him while he was by the lake. ²² Then one of the synagogue leaders, named Jairus, came, and when he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet. ²³ He pleaded earnestly with him, "My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live." ²⁴ So Jesus went with him.

A large crowd followed and pressed around him. ²⁵ And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. ²⁶ She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse. ²⁷ When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸ because she thought, "If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed." ²⁹ Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.

³⁰ At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who touched my clothes?"

³¹ "You see the people crowding against you," his disciples answered, "and yet you can ask, 'Who touched me?'"

³² But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it. ³³ Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth. ³⁴ He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering."

³⁵ While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher anymore?"

³⁶ Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, "Don't be afraid; just believe."

³⁷ He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James.

³⁸ When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. ³⁹ He went in and said to them, "Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep." ⁴⁰ But they laughed at him.

After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum!" (which means "Little girl, I say to you, get up!"). ⁴² Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished. ⁴³ He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Steve Bowey in Concert at Shaw Church, 3pm Saturday 6th April 2024

Including works by Bach, Mendelssohn and Stanford

There is no charge for the concert and donations will be received for the work of St Mary's. Refreshments will be served after the concert.

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 Milson, Angie Mackoon.*
- *Our nursing home fellowship members, including Mary Taylor, Joan Lamonby, Sylvia Reed, Chris Fenwick, Pat Marshall and Mary Curtis.*
- *Pat Troughton has moved to West Berks Hospital for palliative care.*
- *This week, the residents of Donnington Lodge & The Chase.*
- *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.

Things taking place this week

Monday	18 th	Myrtle Café	12:00 –15:00	Church Centre	David Willetts
Tuesday	19 th	Meeting Point	9:45 –11:00	Church Centre	Libby
Tuesday	19 th	Lent Course	19:30 –21:00	Church Centre	Raymond
Wednesday	20 th	Morning Prayer	9:15 –10:00	Church	Raymond
Wednesday	20 th	Barnabas Group	10:00 –12:00	Church Centre	Mary D/Judith

Lent Course 2024 Tuesday evening: 7:30 – 9pm in the Church Centre

All are welcome to join us for our Lent Course this year.

Each week we will be reflecting on and digging deeper into the things talked about from Romans on the previous Sunday. Our journey through Romans is gently following Andrew Ollerton's Romans: A Letter that makes Sense of Life.

20th Feb Romans 2:1-15 Sin in our Attitudes

27th Feb Romans 3:21-31 Justified by Faith

5th Mar Romans 4:1-25 Living by Faith

12th Mar Romans 5:1-11 Peace with God

19th Mar Romans 5:12-21 Peace for you

28th Mar Romans 7:1-25 Sin brings death (in Maundy Thursday evening service 7.30pm)

Next Sunday 24th Mar 2024: Palm Sunday

09:30 am Assemble for Palm Sunday Procession (9:50am from Trinity School mini-roundabout)

10:00 am Morning Prayer

Leader: Raymond Sermon: Ed Steward: Sally

Readings: Rom 6:1-23 **Derek**

Mark 11:1-11 **Steve J**

Intercessions: **David Willetts** Café: **Rachel & Gill**

This Saturday, 16th March:

Shoemakers

**20th
Anniversary
Thanksgiving
Service**

Join us as we celebrate 20 years
of God's wonderful provision

**Saturday 16th March, 2pm
St Mary's, Shaw**

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Help us give Shaw-cum-Donnington
a Spring Clean!



Community Litter Pick

Meet at The Castle Pub car park on
Saturday 16 March 10am to 12 noon

Please bring your own gloves. Litter picks and bags provided.
Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.
Organised by Shaw-cum-Donnington Parish Council