



Knowing Jesus
Sharing God's Love
Caring for People

St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington
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18th October 2026

10 am Holy Communion

Lead/Sermon: Marion de Quidt

A/V Jacob & Rachel

Stewards: Ros & Sally

LCA & CA Ros & Wendy

Welcome, Notices

RB 87 Hail the day (vv1356)

Collect (Trinity 20)

Reading 1 John 3v1-28 (Lisa)

Reading Matt 17 v14-20 (David)

MP31 Amazing Grace

Sermon

Creed (Nicene)

Intercessions: Wendy

RB 131 Love Divine

Communion

RB 431 We have a gospel to proclaim

Blessing

Church Café: Heather & Mary R

Collect (Trinity 20)

God, the giver of life, whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; 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

Roots and wings

Childhood is often described as an idyllic season of play and discovery, adventure and growth. We may of course not have experienced that ourselves! But if we have parental responsibility, I guess that we will aim high for our own children or those we care for, to give them the best possible start as much as we are able.

'Roots and Wings', for me are a good description of that, roots of security and wings to fly into the unknown.

Being a child of God, our focus for this Sunday, will have similarities and differences with family life. For a start, our heavenly parent is completely wise and loving! This may not always be evident to us, and we are don't fully appreciate all the training and opportunities given to us. Nevertheless, our 'roots' in God's gift of security, in being fully known and fully loved as a child of God, plus 'wings', set free to become all that he has made us to be, are truly wonderful.

I believe that we put our roots down deeper as we pray and study his word, practicing daily life as a 'child of God' under his careful eye; and at the same time embracing his guidance to stretch into the growth that He wants for you and for me, within His loving care for His world and His church.
Revd Marion de Quidt

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

1. Link to Hope Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

Could you pack a box of essentials and cheering items for a deprived family or elderly person in Eastern Europe? Take a leaflet (includes form) from church. Please follow instructions carefully as they need specific items and packing and must have the official form attached with £3. Please only use modest size shoeboxes. Boxes need to be in church by Remembrance Sunday, 8 November.

Or you could contribute items, by 2 November if possible - box in church. Or pay for Link to Hope to pack one for you (follow link).

More information at <https://linktohope.co.uk/shoebox-appeal-2026/>

2. Help a hedgehog following advice of the Wildlife Trusts <https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/what-do-if-you-find-wild-animal/help-hedgehog>

3. The Leprosy Mission catalogue is full of Fairtrade, green and ethical products, including clothes, gifts, household items etc as well as food. Also a great array of books, Christian and general, gifts and Christmas cards and products. Borrow a catalogue from the information stall in the church centre or browse at <https://www.theleprosymissionshop.com/> Order through me postage free.

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

SAVE THE DATE

Advance notice of the TEAR Fund big quiz happening on

Saturday 21st November in the afternoon (time to be confirmed).

The aim is to have fun and raise funds for TEAR Fund at the same time. Please do come and support us and bring family and friends along. Either come as a team or come on your own and join a team. (Teams of up to 6 people). There will be tea/coffee and cake during the interval. Further details from Ros



Green tip

Only boil the water you need, and if you boil too much save it for later in a flask.

Please come and join the COINS Team on
Thursday 5 November 2026 10:00-12:00. th St Mary's Church
Shaw, Shaw, RG14 2DR

COINS (Christian Outreach in Newbury Schools) hosts termly Pause and Pray events for members of the Christian community in Newbury to get together and pray for our schools. It is also an opportunity to catch up on what COINS have been doing in the schools in Newbury and to learn about volunteering opportunities for our Year 6 Christmas Gift events.

Please join us for refreshments and prayer, we look forward to seeing you!
The COINS Team x

FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT
TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE!

Saturday 24th October
Shaw-cum-Donnington Village Hall
Doors open 6.45pm for a 7pm start.
Finish 9.30pm (hopefully)

TEAMS OF SIX PEOPLE

£5 PER PERSON
Pre-booked & pre-paid

Prize for winning team
Break halfway for refreshments and Raffle
Teas & coffees available and small nibbles
BYO drink and nibbles welcome

To book a table, email:
scdvillagehall@btinternet.com

Fundraising for our new extension

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.**

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 **Reed Walk & River Walk**

- **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	19th	Myrtle Community Cafe	10.30 – 12.00	Church Centre	David
Tuesday		Meeting Point	9.45 – 11.15	Church Centre	Julie & Barbara
Wednesday	21st	Morning Prayer	9:15-10:00	Church	Raymond
		Barnabas Group	10:00	Church Centre	Mary D
		Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association	6.15-7.45	Church/Centre	Jane O

Next Sunday, 25th October 26 10am

Leader / Sermon Raymond

A/V: Steve & Mike S Stewards: Janet S & Lesley

Reading 1: 1Jn3:19-4:6 Janet S

Reading 2: Matt 17:24-27 Jane O

Intercessions: Libby

Café: Sally & Nick

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

