



St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington

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19th July – 10am Holy Communion

Lead & Sermon: Raymond

A/V Olly & Rachel

Stewards: Mary D & Paul

LCA & CA: Wendy & Ros

Welcome, Notices

MP 560 Praise My Soul

Confession

Collect Trinity 7

Gloria: SOF 269 – I will give thanks to thee

Reading 1: 2Sam12:1-20 (Lisa)

MP31 Amazing

Grace

Reading 2: Luke 14:15-23 (David)

Sermon

Creed (Nicene)

Intercessions Wendy.

MP975 Before the Throne of God Above

Offering Prayer

Communion

MP181 Freely, Freely

MP 50 Be still

Post Communion Prayer

SOF 313 Join all the glorious names

Blessing.

Church Café: Barbara & Janet

Collect (Trinity+7)

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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.**

An Undo button for life?

I was always a little unsure about JFKs 1963 speech on world peace: “Our problems are manmade--therefore, they can be solved by man.” When it comes to world peace, he may have a point. Warmongers could just stop fighting (us too!) And it’s not just swords and guns that have to be stilled – wars are just as fraught when fought with lawyers or trade or books.

But it’s also true that some man-made problems cannot be solved. We try: if you buy something you decide you don’t want, send it back; if you break a leg, it heals. But if you cut a tree down, you can’t un-cut it; if you say something unkind, you can say you’re sorry but you can’t unsay what you said.

Actions have consequences. We like to think of penance like an ‘undo’ button – pay the fine and everything is fine. But forgiveness isn’t forgiveness – forgiveness is more – it takes away the offence and restores the relationship without undoing the fact – or what may follow because of the fact.

“The LORD has taken away your sin” the Prophet Nathan said to King David (2Kings12:13), leading David into a different future, not back to the past.

Raymond

Mark Hutson

Marks Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday 4th August 10.30am here at St Marys
Please continue to pray for Mary, Louise and Chris

Audrey Webster

Please continue to pray for Audreys family. Her Funeral will take place on Thursday 30th July
3.30pm at West Berkshire Crematorium

LUNCH CLUB for Children

A reminder that Bridge Church hold their Lunch Club during school Holidays.
In July the dates are 23rd & 30th (10:30am – 12:30pm). If you want a Flyer to
pass on, there are some at the back of the church

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

1. Can you give extra food to West Berks Foodbank for their Hungry Holidays scheme? (in church or at supermarkets). This provides free-school-meals families with groceries and support through the summer holidays. Monetary donations also welcome. Online or pay in Lloyds Bank, Newbury: Sort Code 77-95-05 West Berks Foodbank: Account No. 72784660. Or send a cheque payable to West Berks Foodbank to: The Treasurer, West Berks Foodbank, 21 Liberty House, Greenham Business Park, Thatcham, RG19 6HS.

More about the scheme at <https://westberks.foodbank.org.uk/2026/06/15/hungry-holidays-supporting-families-when-it-matters-most/>

2. Sign up for the Big Butterfly Count which you can do any times(s) from 17 July to 19 August) and help protect endangered butterflies <https://butterfly-conservation.org/events/big-butterfly-count-2026>

3. DEC Venezuelan Earthquake Appeal: <https://donation.dec.org.uk/venezuela-earthquake-appeal?>

Libby (01635 30719 or libby.goldsack@btinternet.com)

Invitation to a Reminiscence Afternoon on Shaw cum Donnington

Tuesday 21 July 2026 from 2.30 to 4.00 pm in the Church Centre (special emphasis on schools)

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.



We welcome any church members to attend our presentation evening at 6.15 pm on Wednesday 23rd July in the church centre.

This is an opportunity to hear what we have been up to this year and enjoy time with BBGA members and leaders.

Green Tip

Check the label to ensure you buy as local produce as possible.

Don't assume that fruit and veg that are in season in UK are actually grown in UK. Choose cardboard or paper packaging if you can.

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.**
- **For the Boys' Brigade and Girls Association**
- **Residents of Gaywood Drive, Oakley Rd, Hedge Way, Redfield Ct. Ashwood Drive**
- **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.

Tuesday	21 st	Meeting Point	9:45-11:15	Church Centre	Libby
		Reminiscence Afternoon	14:30 -16:00	Church Centre	Libby
Wednesday	22 nd	Morning Prayer	9:15-10:00	Church	Raymond
		Barnabas Group	10:00	Church Centre	Mary D
Thursday	23 rd	Boys Brigade & Girls Association presentation evening	18:15	Church Centre	Jane O

Next Sunday, 26th July 10am Morning Prayer

Leader/Sermon: Raymond

A/V Jacob & Steve J

Stewards: Libby & ?

Reading 1: 2Sam24:10-25(Janet S).

Reading 2: Luke 18:35-42(Jane O)

Intercessions: Libby

Café: Corinne & Judith

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

