



Knowing Jesus

Sharing God's Love

Caring for People

## St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington

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### 2<sup>nd</sup> February – Feast of Presentation

#### 10:00 Holy Communion

Lead: Ed; Sermon: Raymond

A/V: Steve J and Wendy

Stewards: Lesley A & Mary D

Welcome & Notices

**RB194 King of Glory, King of Peace**

Confession

Collect

**Gloria (St Thomas)**

Isaiah 42:1-9 (Lesley A)

Luke 2:22-40 (Judith)

Sermon

Creed (Nicene)

**RB367 God of Grace**

Intercessions (Mary D)

**RB343 Be Thou my Vision**

Holy Communion

**MP125 Faithful Vision Ended**

Blessing

**Church Café**

*Libby and Gina*

#### **Collect**

*Almighty and ever-living God,  
clothed in majesty, whose beloved  
Son was this day presented in the  
Temple, in substance of our flesh:  
grant that we may be presented to  
you with pure and clean hearts, by  
your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the  
Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

#### **It's Time!**

What's the time? It's easy to find out if you have a watch or there's a clock nearby.

Although I've seen people look at the time, and then be asked 'what time is it?' and they have to look again. I once heard a watch being called 'the god on your wrist'.

The world we live in has two reliable natural clocks which give us the basis of counting time: the daily dawn and dusk, and the annual cycle of the year; but there are other things that recur in a less regular fashion: economic ups and downs; good and bad years of harvest; even snow and wind – they come and go ways we wish we could predict with some certainty.

I don't think God worries about our human clocks very much, but he does have a sense of 'the right time'. A right time for the things he is doing ("at just the right time ... Christ died" Rom 6:5), and a right time us to do things. "When the time came" Luke tells us, Mary came to the temple with Jesus to make an offering.

So, what about me? Do I live by the ticking second-hand, or is God's time something I can sense, wait for, and fall in with?

*Raymond.*

## Electoral Roll: Full Revision 2025

This year (and every 6 years) we are preparing a new Electoral Roll. If you are on the Electoral Roll now, or if you are not on the Electoral Roll and would like to be (or think you should be!) you are invited to apply to be on the new Roll.

*Note: You must apply this year and do so **before 8<sup>th</sup> March** for your name to be on the Electoral Roll for the APCM on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2025.*

**Blank Forms** are available from the Electoral Roll Officer (Derek Harwood), or the Church Office.

**Completed forms** should be given to Derek (or hand into the office and Maggie will see that Derek gets them.)



Christian Outreach In Newbury Schools



Trinity School Prayer event

Join us  
**PARENT  
TEACHER  
PRAYER  
MEETING**  
13 FEBRUARY 25  
7:30pm - 8:30pm  
St. Mary's, Shaw

### Green Tip

To prevent deadly disease, scrub bird feeders etc with disinfectant and use hanging feeders not bird tables. (RSPB advice)

## Newbury Cancer Care Calendars 2025 are still available: £10

Please see Maggie in the church office (Tue/Wed/Fri, 9am-2pm).

All proceeds to Newbury Cancer Care.

### **Your invitation to a Reminiscence Afternoon**

Tuesday 18 February 2025 from 2.30 to 4.00 pm

In the Church Centre

Transport available if needed. Ring Libby on 30719 or

email [libby.goldsack@btinternet.com](mailto:libby.goldsack@btinternet.com)

Come and share your (or your family's) memories of **Spring**

All welcome - do please bring your friends.

### **Choral Concert at St Mary's**

St Mary's are delighted to welcome back Cantemus Choir who will be performing their 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert on 15<sup>th</sup> March at 7:30pm.

Steve Bowey will be accompanying the choir and will also play some solo pieces during the concert.

Tickets are £12 each and can be purchased from Rachel Haslam.

All proceeds will be for church funds.

Stewards will be needed to welcome the audience and serve interval refreshments so please let Rachel know if you are able to help.

## 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 Milsom, Geoffrey Keegan, Brian Eaton.***
- ***Our nursing home fellowship members, including Joan Lamonby, Chris Fenwick, Pat Marshall, Mary Curtis, Sheila Smith.***
- ***For the Boys' Brigade***
- ***This week, the residents of Highwood Close and Long Lane.***
- ***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](mailto:libby.goldsack@btinternet.com) and she will circulate your request.

## What's on in the coming weeks: February 2025

Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Myrtle Café	12:00 – 14:30	Church Centre	David Willets
Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup>	Meeting Point	09:45 – 11:15	Church Centre	Libby
		Daytime Home Group	14:30 – 16:00	Church Centre	Ed
		Home Group	17:30 – 21:00	Rectory	Ed
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup>	Morning Prayer	09.15 – 10.00	Church	Raymond
		Barnabas Group	10.00 – 12.00	Church Centre	Mary D
		Flower Club	13:30	Church Centre	Mary D
		Boy's Brigade	18.15 – 19.45	Church Centre	Ed

## Next Sunday

### 9th February 2025 – Lent -4

10:00	Morning Worship
Leader:	Raymond
Stewards	Sally/Janet S
Sound	Mike S    Visuals Rachel
Reading	Ruth 1 – Paul S Luke 5: 12-16 – Steve
Intercessions	Jane Y
Kitchen	Lesley A & Diana