



## Welcome to St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington

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## Welcome to St. Mary's Shaw cum Donnington!

**Sunday 21st January**

**Engaging with God**

**10:00am** Holy Communion

Lead and Speak: Raymond

Stewards: Ros and Wendy

Welcome & Notices

Prayer of preparation

**MP 679 Thou didn't leave thy throne**

Mark 1:17 slot

Confession & Absolution

Collect for Epiphany 3

**MP 457 Make Way**

Gospel: Mark 2: 23-28 (Karen)

Isaiah 58 (Charles)

Sermon: Raymond

Nicene Creed

Intercessions: (Sally)

The Peace

**MP 1267 Come, People of the Risen King**

Eucharistic Prayer LCA: Sally CA: Ed

Communion

**MP1075 Jesus, All for Jesus**

Post communion prayers

**MP 51 Be Thou My Vision**

Blessing

Invitation to church café

Church Café:

Barbara and Janet



### Word for the week - Who?

When Isaiah was called by God, it began with a vision of The LORD on the throne. It was something awe-full.

Isaiah was brought first into the presence of God, where he recognised and was purged of his sin, and then God asked a simple question.

As we gather in church Sunday by Sunday, do we ever sense the awe of what it means to be in the presence of Almighty God? And if we do, and then realise that we brought sinfulness into a Holy Place, do we stop and wonder at the way our sin is taken away as the minister pronounces us forgiven?

'God with us' also means us with God, but it is God's initiative rather than ours.

And Jesus' death on a cross, means our sin is removed from God's presence – but without removing us.

So what about the question? Does it still linger in the air for us to hear? And if it does, how shall we respond?

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"

And I said "Here am I, Send me!" Isaiah 6:8

Raymond

## Charities Bank

At the back of the church.

### Current needs:

#### Women's refuge

Nothing currently

#### West Berks Food Bank

### Urgent Needs this week:

Anti bac sprays

Razors

Bleach

Toilet cleaner

### Loose Ends (Homeless charity)

If you want to make a one-off donation or set up a regular standing order our bank account details are:

#### Metro Bank

Account Name - Loose Ends Newbury

Sort Code - 23-05-80

Account No. - 39305615

### Leprosy Mission

See Libby for orders from the catalogue

**RNIB:** used stamps

### Christian Aid

If you are unable to donate online you can phone



**Christmas charities:** Thank you to everyone for support of our Christmas charities, Next Gen youth cafe at Riverside in Turnpike, run by Jesus Disciples Centre, and Action Through Enterprise in Ghana. A total of £446 was raised by the retiring collections and Christmas screen messages, which will be equally split between them. ATE will be able to claim small collections gift aid on their £223. In addition, the Christingle collection of £117.57 will go to Next Gen youth cafe.

Libby

## Date for your diaries

### Slide Show By Paul Sievers

Saturday 17th February

2pm – 4pm in the church centre.



Madeiran images - a colourful show with a mixture of flowers, mountain scenery and local crafts.

Then after a short interval

Church floral arrangements during 2023

Followed by a macro quiz

Proceeds will go to the new Lychgate railings

## How we do Covid aware Holy Communion at St Mary's

Please come forward to the Communion Rail to receive the Bread and Wine.

We are distributing wine in individual cups.

Please follow the direction of the steward as he/she invites you to come forward.

If you are not able to come forward for any reason, let the steward know, and we will bring bread and wine to you.

We use fresh bread, and wine decanted into a small cup for each communicant. Please take the nearest cup offered to you, consume the wine, then leave the cup on one of the choir stall desks as you return to your seat.

## St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington

### 200 Club

New members of the 200 Club are always welcome. We are aiming to double our membership in 2024 so please contact the church office, Mary Dawkins, or Rachel Haslam if you would like to take part. The next draw will take place on

**28th January**

## Read Mark

Mark 2:13-22

### Jesus Calls Levi and Eats With Sinners

13 Once again Jesus went out beside the lake. A

large crowd came to him, and he began to teach them. 14 As he walked along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," Jesus told him, and Levi got up and followed him.

15 While Jesus was having dinner at Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were eating with him and his disciples, for there were many who followed him. 16 When the teachers of the law who were Pharisees saw him eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they asked his disciples: "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

17 On hearing this, Jesus said to them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

### Jesus Questioned About Fasting

18 Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting. Some people came and asked Jesus, "How is it that John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees are fasting, but yours are not?"

19 Jesus answered, "How can the guests of the bridegroom fast while he is with them? They cannot, so long as they have him with them. 20 But the time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them, and on that day they will fast. 21 "No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment. Otherwise, the new piece will pull away from the old, making the tear worse. 22 And no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and both the wine and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins."



## St Mary's Flower Club

Next Meeting

Wednesday 7th  
February

See Mary Dawkins  
for details



### 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

### January 2024

23rd Green matters

30th Discussion



### Green tip

When turning out after  
Christmas ("reduce")  
remember "re-use" and  
"recycle" - yourself or  
charity shop.



## The Collect for Epiphany 3

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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.

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## 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 Sally in the office know.

- ◇ Cynthia Lane, Mark Hutson, Ruth Fisher, Sue Povey, June Milsom, and Angie Mackoon.
- ◇ Our nursing home fellowship members, including Mary Taylor, Joan Lamonby, Sylvia Reed, Chris Fenwick, Pat Marshall, Pat Troughton and Mary Curtis.
- ◇ This week, the residents of Donnington Heights and Shaw Valley
- ◇ Our ministers Raymond and Ed, and all those who support us in services.
- ◇ For the bereaved family and friends of Jean Cuddihy (funeral Wednesday 24th at 1pm)

*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.*

## Things taking place this week 22-27 January 2024

Monday	22	11:30-15:00	Myrtle Café	Centre	David
		19:00-21:00	Hall Cleaning	Centre	Aneta
Tuesday	23	09:30-11:15	Meeting Point	Centre	Libby
		12:00-14:00	Lunch Club	Centre	Ros
		14:00-15:00	Trinity Y11 visit	Church	Ministers
Wednesday	24	09:15-10:00	Morning Prayers	Church	Raymond
		10:00-12:00	Barnabas Group	Centre	Judith
		10:30-11:00	Midweek H/C	Church	Ed
		13:00-14:00	Funeral of Jean Cuddihy	Church	Ed
Thursday	25	09:00-17:00	Art Classes	Centre	Booking
Friday	26	10:30-12:00	Little Steps	Centre	Booking
		18:00-20:00	Hall cleaning	Centre	Liza

## Next Sunday 28th January

**10:00am** Morning Prayer The Righteousness of the Lord Epiphany 4

Leader: Raymond Speaker: Ed Stewards: Mark and Libby Prayers: David Willetts

Isaiah 59: George Mark 1: 21-28 Lesley A Church Café: Rachel Haslam and Gill Moore