



St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington

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22nd September **Trinity 17**

Morning Prayer

Lead: Ed; A/V: Steve J/Mike S

Stewards: Wendy, Mary D

Welcome & Notices

RB235 O Jesus I have promised

Confession and Absolution

RB223 Put thou thy trust in God

Hab 3:17-19 (Derek)

Anthem: Thy Kingdom come, O God (arr How)

Mark 11:12-25 (Steve)

RB246 Just as I am

Sermon

Creed (Apostles')

Intercessions (David Willets)

Lord's Prayer

Collect

RB172 Glorious things of thee are spoken

Blessing

Church Café

Lisa and Gill

Collect

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen

Word for The Week: What can Faith do?

In modern culture, faith is very often seen as nothing more than a crutch for the weak – a particular kind of hoping for the best that some people use to avoid facing the harsh realities of life. Most of us at St Mary's on a Sunday probably don't think that's right, but I imagine most of us have gone through times when our faith has seemed very powerless. Anyone who has been a Christian for a while probably knows the experience of praying for a situation that seems beyond hope, where, if we're really honest, we don't really believe God will answer our prayers.

Jesus gives a different perspective: He says that faith can literally move mountains (11:23). Our faith, and the prayers through which we express it, have real power. But what that meant in his context may surprise us. God's almighty power is at work through our prayers in ways we do not expect.

Ed



In the run up to harvest can you add any of these items to your shopping this week, and leave them in the donation baskets on the way out?

Thankyou.

Drop-off locations & latest lists:
(and links to the Foodbank App!)

<https://westberks.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Harvest Appeal Top Ten

- Instant Coffee
- Tins of soup, meat and fruit
- Tinned Vegetables
- Rice
- Rice Pudding
- Dried milk
- Biscuits
- UHT milk
- Shaving foam
- Sugar



Myrtle Community Café

Myrtle Community Café meets at St Mary's Church Centre every Monday from noon until 2.30 pm (except for Bank Holidays) and provides a friendly and inclusive welcome. Come along for a lunchtime chat over soup, roll and cake, and join in with various activities supporting our Community at Shaw.



The Myrtle Community Café also has internet facilities and can help signpost ways to find specialist information, advice, and support.

"COINS Coffee morning 10-12 am, Thu 26th September, St Nicolas Newbury, Church Hall

Christians Outreach in Newbury Schools are running a coffee morning on Thursday 26th September. Donations of cakes and tombola prizes would be very much appreciated or if you are able to help on the day, please contact hello@coinsnewbury.org. We would be delighted to welcome you anyway to enjoy a friendly gathering, a welcoming cuppa and a tasty treat whilst raising funds for us to **take Jesus into school**. Come and see our latest resources and current activities.

Read Mark

Mark 14:17-31 (NIV)

²⁷“You will all fall away,” Jesus told them, “for it is written:

“‘I will strike the shepherd,
and the sheep will be scattered.’

²⁸But after I have risen, I will go ahead of you into Galilee.”

²⁹Peter declared, “Even if all fall away, I will not.”

³⁰“Truly I tell you,” Jesus answered, “today—yes, tonight—before the rooster crows twice you yourself will disown me three times.”

³¹But Peter insisted emphatically, “Even if I have to die with you, I will never disown you.” And all the others said the same.

Green tip

Fairtrade mainly certifies small-scale farmers who sign up to rigorous standards, including protecting the natural environment, banning the use of harmful pesticides, minimising the use of energy, especially from non-renewable sources, and making environmental protection part of farm management.

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 Mary Taylor, Joan Lamonby, Sylvia Reed, Chris Fenwick, Pat Marshall, Mary Curtis***
- ***This week, the Stoney Lane, Pine Ridge & Field Ridge***
- ***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.

What's on this week:

Monday	23 rd	Myrtle Cafe	12:00-14:30	Church Centre	David Willets
Tuesday	24 th	Meeting Point	09:45-11:15	Church Centre	Libby
		Lunch Club	12:00-14:00	Church Centre	Ros
		Home Group	19:30-21:00	Rectory	Ed
Wednesday	25 th	Morning Prayer	09:15-10:00	Church	Ed
		Barnabas Group	10:00-12:00	Church Centre	Mary D
		Holy Communion	10:30-11:00	Church	Ed
		Boys' Brigade	18:15-19:45	Church Centre	Ed
Friday	27 th	Harvest Flower Preparations	09:30-13:00	Church	Mary D
Saturday	28 th	Harvest Flower Preparations	09:30-13:00	Church	Mary D

Next Sunday, 29th September 2024

10:00 am Harvest Thanksgiving

Leader: Ed

Stewards Rachel, Sally

LCA:

Sound Mike S/Steve J

Readings Psalm 65 Jane O

Luke 12: 13-21 George

Prayers: Mary D

Café: Wendy and Karen

Upcoming Meeting Point Dates

3 Sept: School holidays

10 Sept: Informal

17 Sept: Parenting Forum

24 Sept Green Matters

1 Oct: Harvest

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