



St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington

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31st August – Trinity 11

10am Morning Worship

Lead: RO A/V: Mike S/Rachel

Steward: Libby & Janet

Welcome, Notices

MP 640 The Church's One Foundation

Confession & Absolution

Reading Luke 7:1-10 (Daphne)

Psalm 84

Reading 1 Cor 1:10-17 (George)

Sermon

MP 988 How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Creed

Intercessions (Ed)

Collect

MP 32 An Army of Ordinary People

Blessing

Church Café

Wendy & Karen

Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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

Follow my leader

For those of you well attuned to following a SatNav, have you tried Zen Navigation?

I first heard about it from Dirk Gently (a Douglas Adams character) and it involves finding someone who looks like they know where they are going, and then following them. There is a variant where you just follow the car in front (whether they look like they have a plan or not) – and if another car comes between you, follow that one instead. I suppose you could super-spiritualise it by praying first.

Most people wouldn't want to following a random car just hoping for the best – as the poster said: if you don't know where you're going, you'll end up somewhere else.

The apostle Thomas thought he needed to know the destination in order to find the way, but Jesus told him that knowing the way is enough because He (Jesus) is the way, and that following Him is all we need to do (see John 14:4-6).

In a world where there are so many calls on our time and energy, so many things we need to get done, I wonder if we dare take a moment and recall that being a Christian really is about following Jesus. As Jesus said to Martha, complaining about her sister sitting at Jesus' feet, "Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her" (Luke 10:41).

Raymond

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.



- ***Ann Booker, Brian Eaton, Ruth Fisher, Mark Hutson, Cynthia Lane, June Milsom, Maggie Wiseman.***
- ***Our nursing home fellowship members, including Joan Lamonby, Chris Fenwick, Pat Marshall, Pat Lee, Sheila Smith, Mansour Ashfari.***
- ***For the Boys' Brigade and Girls Association***
- ***The residents of Pindar Place, Middleton Court, Ingoldsby, Yates Copse, Huntington Gardens, Lambert Drive & Fleetwood Close***
- ***The family and friends of Catherine Keegan***
- ***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 in the coming week:

Tuesday	2 nd	PCC	19:30	Church Centre	Raymond
Wednesday	3 rd	Morning Prayer	9:15 – 10.00	Church Centre	Ed
		Barnabas Group	10:00	Church Centre	
		Flower Club	14:00	Church Centre	
Thursday	4 th	Funeral: Catherine Keegan	12:30	Church	Raymond
Saturday	6 th	Prayer Breakfast	9:00	Church Centre	Ros

Next Sunday, 7th September – Trinity 12

10:00 Holy Communion

Leader	Ed	Intercessions	Mary D
Stewards	Jane Y	Lesley	
Sound	Mike S	Visuals	Steve J
Readings	1 Cor 1:18-2:5	Paul S	
	Luke 22:39-46	Lesley A	
Café	David & Lisa		

Green tip

You may be clearing garden dead material early this year, but spare a thought and some stalks and seed heads for the birds. Their autumn food supplies are early, with a gap when they are more dependent than usual on your bounty.

Sonrise Christian Resources (sonrisechristianresources.co.uk)

1st Friday each month 10-11:45 at Salvation Army Hall
 3rd Tuesday each month 10-12 at Newbury Methodist Church

Reminiscence Afternoon on Donnington Village

Tuesday 16th September, 2:30-4pm in the Church Centre
 Share and listen to family's memories over a cup of tea.

Christian Aid 6 Sept collectors needed

9am to 4pm
 Please see Libby if you can help for an hour in Newbury Town Centre.

