



Knowing Jesus
Sharing God's Love
Caring for People

St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington

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5th October – Harvest

10am Holy Communion

Lead: EY A/V: Steve J/Wendy

Steward: Janet S & Rachel

Welcome, Notices

RB 289 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Harvest Thanksgiving

Confession, Absolution & Collect

Gloria (St Thomas)

Reading Rev 14:14-18 (Paul S)

Anthem *Thou Visitest the Earth (Greene)*

Reading John 6:25-35 (Lesley A)

Sermon

RB 291 To Thee O Lord

Creed (Nicene)

Intercessions (Sally)

RB 457 For the Fruits of thy Creation

Holy Communion (CA: Lesley A and Ed)

RB290 We Plough the fields and scatter

Blessing

Church Café

Libby and Julie

Collect

Eternal God, you crown the year with your
goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth

in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for
our own well-being; 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.

Our Daily Bread

When I was a child, I wasn't much of a fan of bread. White bread seemed boring and flavourless – at best a convenient vehicle to get jam into my mouth without getting sticky fingers. Brown bread seemed rough and unappealing – even now it makes me think of school dinner tomato soup. On this point, I found the Lord's Prayer, in which was ask God each day for our daily bread, thoroughly uninspiring.

This attitude was, of course, born of privilege. If I had understood how hard people work to produce our daily bread, or how many people still have to go without, I should have been more grateful. Harvest is a time when we give thanks to God for his generosity in providing for us and when we remember those who do not have enough. Our daily bread is a precious sign of God's continual care for each one of us. But in our Gospel reading today, Jesus has a challenge for us; what are we *really* hungry for? For he came not only to give us bread – bread that is here today and gone tomorrow, but to be bread for us, the bread of life, that we feed on for eternal satisfaction.

Ed

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, Mansour Ashfari.**
- **For the Boys' Brigade and Girls Association**
- **The residents of Walton Way & Lambourn Court.**
- **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:

Monday	6 th	Myrtle Cafe	10:30-12:30	Church Centre	David
Tuesday	7 th	Meeting Point	09:45-11:15	Church Centre	Libby
		Home Group	19:45-21:00	Rectory	Ed
Wednesday	8 th	Morning Prayer	09:15-10:00	Church Centre	Ed
		Barnabas Group	10:00-12:00	Church Centre	Mary D
		Holy Communion	10:30	Church	Ed
		Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association	18:15-19:45	Church Centre	Ed

Next Sunday, 12th October – Trinity 17

10:00 Morning Prayer with Baptism

Leader RO Intercessions: Karen
Stewards Jane Y Lesley A
Sound Rachel Visuals Mike S
Readings Rom 6:1-10 George
Café Lesley A and Diana

Green tip

Eat seasonally and locally from the abundance of harvest-time fruit and vegetables

Link to Hope Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

Could you pack a box of essentials and cheering items for a deprived family or elderly person in Eastern Europe? Or contribute items (box in church) or pay for Link to Hope to pack one for you? Look online (you don't need to register as we are a collection centre, just bring box or goods to church) and/or take a leaflet (includes form) from church. Please follow instructions carefully as they need specific items and packing and must have the official form attached with £3. Boxes need to be in church by 7 November, loose items by 2 November if possible. <https://linktohope.co.uk/shoebbox-appeal-2025/>