



Knowing Jesus

Sharing God's Love

Caring for People

St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington

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8th September

Trinity 15

Morning Prayer with Baptism

Lead: Ed/Raymond; A/V: Mike S / Wendy

Stewards: Libby, Sally

Welcome & Notices

RB4 Christ whose glory fills the skies

Presentation of Baptism Candidate

Profession of Faith (All)

Anthem Lead me Lord

Mark 2:1-12 (Barbara)

All-Age Talk (Raymond)

RB209 Through all the Changing Scenes of Life

Baptism (Raymond)

MP200 Great is thy faithfulness

Intercessions (Karen)

The Lord's Prayer

Collect

RB205 Now thank we all our God

Giving a candle & Blessing

Church Café

Jane Y and Lisa W

Collect

Heavenly Father, by the power of your Holy Spirit, you give to your faithful people new life in the water of baptism. Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit, that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love, and grow into the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Word for The Week: Choose this Day

Someone told me a couple of weeks ago that I can't have tuna on my pizza. But I like tuna on my pizza – tuna and pineapple. Am I wrong? Have I missed something? It's not as if you physically can't put tuna on a pizza; and yet am I supposed to feel guilty if I do?

Perhaps it's just an opinion expressed as a moral value. Perhaps my accuser has an inner need to exercise power and influence. I know sometimes I must do things 'just so' or risk being out; and our confusing world demands that I 'do my own thing' and that 'my own thing' fits in.

Being able to make 'my own' choice is an important part of being human. My choices say something about who I am, and yours you.

A man called Joshua once challenged the people around him: "Choose this day whom you will serve, ... as for me ... I will serve the LORD." He had made his choice and hoped and wanted them to make the same choice. It wasn't an order, but an appeal: choose to do the right thing. And they did (see Joshua 24) I choose like Joshua. I hope you will too.
Raymond.



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



Welcome to our new Parish Administrator

Our new Parish Administrator is **Maggie Wiseman**.

She will normally be in the office 9am-2pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

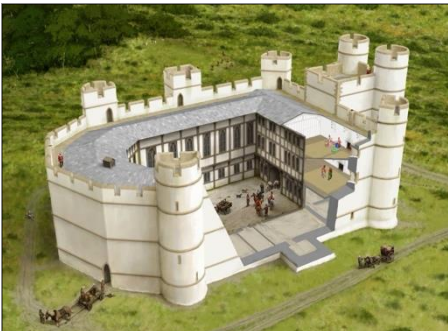
Your invitation to a Reminiscence Afternoon

Tuesday 17 September 2024 2.30 to 4.00 pm in the Church Centre. Transport

available if needed. Ring Libby on 30719 or email libby.goldsack@btinternet.com

Come and share your (or your family's) memories of **Donnington Castle and village** or listen to other people's over a cup of tea and biscuits.

All welcome - do please bring your friends.



Booking is now open, for local Heritage Open Day event

Reconstructing Donnington Castle

Saturday 14th September

9.30 for 10am start, 4pm finish

New findings about the castle's history

At St Mary's Church, Shaw, ending at the castle.

More details at: www.eventbrite.co.uk

Full link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/heritage-open-day-reconstructing-donnington-castle-tickets-944176516377>

Read Mark

Mark 14:1-11 (NIV)

Now the Passover and the Festival of Unleavened Bread were only two days away, and the chief priests and the teachers of the law were scheming to arrest Jesus secretly and kill him. ²“But not during the festival,” they said, “or the people may riot.”

³While he was in Bethany, reclining at the table in the home of Simon the Leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head.

⁴Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another, “Why this waste of perfume? ⁵It could have been sold for more than a year’s wages and the money given to the poor.” And they rebuked her harshly.

⁶“Leave her alone,” said Jesus. “Why are you bothering her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. ⁷The poor you will always have with you, and you can help them any time you want. But you will not always have me. ⁸She did what she could. She poured perfume on my body beforehand to prepare for my burial. ⁹Truly I tell you, wherever the gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her.”

¹⁰Then Judas Iscariot, one of the Twelve, went to the chief priests to betray Jesus to them. ¹¹They were delighted to hear this and promised to give him money. So he watched for an opportunity to hand him over.

CTNA: Pray together for Newbury

Christians together in the Newbury Area are holding a week of prayer from Sunday 8 th to Saturday 14 th September with events across several of the Newbury churches.	Sun	8 th	6:00pm	St Nic’s Evening Service
	Mon	9 th	7:30pm	The Well, Green Lane, Thatcham
	Tues	10 th	7:30pm	Newbury Baptist Church
	Wed	11 th	12:30pm	Potters’ Cabin, Pigeons Farm Road
	Wed	11 th	7:30pm	St Mary’s, Shaw cum Donnington
	Thur	12 th	12:30pm	St John’s, Newbury
	Thur	12 th	7:30pm	Methodist Church
	Fri	13 th	7:00am	on Zoom
	Fri	13 th	12:30pm	St Joseph’s
	Fri	13 th	7:30pm	KCC, Enborne Road
	Sat	14 th	11:00am	Prayer Walk (outside St Nic’s)

Full details: <https://ctnablog.wordpress.com/newbury-weekly-of-prayer>

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 residents of Laud Close, Marston Drive & Preston Place**
- **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:

Sunday	8 th	Visit to Waterperry Meet at Lychgate by 1:15pm	13:00-19:00	Waterperry Gardens	Mary D
Tuesday	10 th	Meeting Point	10:00-11:15	Church Centre	Libby
		Daytime Home Group	13:30-16:00	Church Centre	Ed
		Home Group	19:15-21:00	Rectory	Ed
Wednesday	11 th	Morning Prayer	09:15-10:00	Church	Raymond
		Barnabas Group	10:00-12:00	Church Centre	Mary D
		Holy Communion	10:30	Church	Ed
		Boys' Brigade	18:15-19:45	Church Centre	Ed
		CTNA Prayer	19:30-20:30	Church	Raymond
Saturday	14 th	Heritage Open Day	10:00-16:00	Church and Church Centre	David

Next Sunday, 15th September 2024

10:00 am Holy Communion Trinity 16

Leader: Ed

Stewards Jane Y, George

LCA: Lesley G

Sound Heather/Steve J

Readings Mic 6:1-8 Lisa

Mark 10:46-52 David Wilson

Prayers: Ed

Café: Barbara and Janet

Upcoming Meeting Point Dates

3 Sept: School holidays

10 Sept: Informal

17 Sept: Parenting Forum

24 Sept Green Matters

1 Oct: Harvest

contact Libby: tel: 01635 30719 or by

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Green tip

When buying your spring bulbs this autumn, make sure they are pollinator-friendly varieties.