



Knowing Jesus
Sharing God's Love
Caring for People

St Mary's Shaw cum Donnington

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9th August 10am

Morning Prayer & Baptism

Lead/Sermon: Raymond

A/V Steve J & Wendy

Stewards: Mary D & Rachel

Welcome, Notices

RB 22 This is the Day (1(3)45)

Presentation of Baptism Candidate

Profession of Faith

Reading 1: Jer 31:33-34 Sally.

Reading 2: Luke 15:1-10 Steve J

All-Age Address

**MP 315 I will sing the wonderous story
(123)**

Baptism

RB 235 O Jesus I have promised (124)

Intercessions: David W

Collect (Baptism)

**RB 140 All hail the power of Jesus' name
(156)**

Blessing.

Church Café: Lesley A & Diana

Collect (Baptism) 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**

Saved by a Saviour

My car broken down last week. It was my own fault. I knew the battery was going – it had refused to restart a couple of times and bought a new battery – which was sitting in my garage. We went to Studland over the ferry and I turned the engine off in the queue (twice), and again once we had boarded – why waste petrol and make exhaust? But when the car in front drove off, I turned the key and it just went click. The kind man directing traffic called me forward and I shook my head. He mouthed ‘battery’ and I nodded. 20 seconds later, he asked me to pop the bonnet, connected his portable battery and the engine woke up and off we went. Saved.

I suppose it must happen often enough that he was prepared.

Who needs a saviour? As it turned out, I did. And there he was.

Jesus told a story about needing a saviour. A sheep that had roamed off and got lost. And there was the Shepherd.

Happy ending. “There is more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine ... who do not need to repent.” Luke 5:7

Raymond

Green Tip

Make the most of the sun for stain removal and disinfection as well as saving energy

LUNCH CLUB for Children

A reminder that Bridge Church hold their Lunch Club during school Holidays. Every Thursdays in August (10:30am – 12:30pm). If you want a Flyer to pass on, there are some at the back of the church

Remote Action (things to do from your home to make a difference)

1. You don't have to worry, panic or put a blanket over your head as we see the effects of climate change. There is something everyone can do. See what the wildlife trusts suggest. For a nation of nature lovers, we are fortunate that one of the most powerful solutions we have available - alongside rapidly reducing emissions from fossil fuels and increasing energy efficiency - is the recovery of the natural world. <https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/blog/zoe-quiroy-cullen/why-it-so-hot-look-heatwaves-and-how-nature-can-help-us-cope>

2. Help with nature's incredible journeys; see how this National Marine Week 25 July to 9 August
<https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/national-marine-week>

3. Can you give extra food to West Berks Foodbank for their Hungry Holidays scheme? (in church or at supermarkets). This provides free-school-meals families with groceries and support through the summer holidays. Monetary donations also welcome. Online or pay in Lloyds Bank, Newbury: Sort Code 77-95-05 West Berks Foodbank: Account No. 72784660. Or send a cheque payable to West Berks Foodbank to: The Treasurer, West Berks Foodbank, 21 Liberty House, Greenham Business Park, Thatcham, RG19 6HS.
More about the scheme at <https://westberks.foodbank.org.uk/2026/06/15/hungry-holidays-supporting-families-when-it-matters-most/>

Libby (01635 30719 or libby.goldsack@btinternet.com)

*Thank
You*

Thank you all very much for the beautiful flowers and card I received last Sunday, for my 'big' birthday, and for all the good wishes. It was special to have the occasion marked by my Church family. I had a fairly low key, but wonderful weekend and birthday with immediate family, and wider family and friends who I see far too little of. Many thanks again.

Ros

For the Love of Nature . . .

A Special Exhibition

Gallery 5, West Berkshire Museum,
Newbury, RG14 5AS

Wednesday 19th August until
Sunday 6th September 2026*
Open 10.00 am to 4.00 pm



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.

- **Brian Eaton, Ruth Fisher, Cynthia Lane, June Milsom Maggie Wiseman, Angie Mackoon & family.**
- **Our nursing home fellowship members, including Joan Lamonby, Chris Fenwick, Pat Lee, Mansour Afshari, Arthur Marshall.**
- **For the Boys' Brigade and Girls Association**
- **Residents of Rosemore Gardens & Riverside Community Centre**
- **Our minister Raymond 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.



Wednesday	12 th Aug	Morning Prayer	9:15-10:00	Church	Raymond
		Barnabas Group	10:00	Garden Centre	Mary D
Sunday	16 th	Holy Communion	10:00	Church	Raymond

Next Sunday, 16th Aug 10am
Holy Communion
Leader / Sermon: Marian de Quidt

A/V: Jacob & Steve J

Reading 1: Isa 2:12-18 Brian

Intercessions: Karen

LCA & CA: Wendy & Raymond

Stewards: Ros & Sally

Reading 2: Luke 13:1-9 Daphne

Café: Wendy & Sally

At St Mary's, we value the offerings people make to the work of the church: in their time, activity and money. We will not be passing an offering plate or basket round during the service today. If you would like to support the work of the church financially, please use offering plate or tap-and-go machine by the door, or visit shawchurch.org/giving or scan the QR code. If you would like to give to the church regularly, please see parishgiving.org.uk



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