

Welcome

A very warm welcome to you, whether you are new to St Matthew's and All Saints' or worship with us every week. We hope you will feel at home in our churches. Please introduce yourself to someone, and stay for coffee, which is served after most services. Please see the back page for useful information for visitors.

If you are a newcomer or visitor, do please consider filling in and returning a welcome card, so that we can be in touch with information about groups and activities of interest and how we can serve you.

THIS SUNDAY

20th March - Palm Sunday

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Matthew's

9:30am Holy Communion at All Saints'

11:00am Holy Communion at St Matthew's

6:15pm Evening Prayer (BCP) at St Matthew's

Youth Fellowship at St Matthew's Church Hall

6:00-7:15pm for those in school years 7-9

7:00-8:45pm for those in school years 10-13

LUKE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sun 20 Mar	Luke 22.24-38	Prediction of Peter's Denial
Mon 21 Mar	Luke 22.39-53	Jesus is Arrested
Tue 22 Mar	Luke 22.54-71	Peter Denies Jesus
Wed 23 Mar	Luke 23.1-12	Jesus before Pilate and Herod
Thu 24 Mar	Luke 23.13-26	Pilate Pressured by the Crowds
Fri 25 Mar	Luke 23.27-43	The Crucifixion
Sat 26 Mar	Luke 23.44-56	The Death and Burial of Jesus
Sun 27 Mar	Luke 24.1-12	The Resurrection

NEXT SUNDAY

27th March - Easter Sunday

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at All Saints'

9:30am Holy Communion at All Saints'

11:00am Holy Communion at St Matthew's

4.30pm Easter Fiesta, Chilton Field Community Centre

6:15pm Holy Communion at St Matthew's

No Youth Fellowship



**HARWELL
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If you would like to
talk with the Rector
about any matter, please
contact Jonathan directly,
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St Matthew's Harwell
with All Saints' Chilton

GOOD FRIDAY

In addition to our services in Harwell and Chilton, annually on Good Friday the Churches in Didcot and District assemble at the Methodist Church on the Broadway. Together they take part in a Walk of Witness behind the Cross through the Orchard Centre and assemble on the steps of the Amphitheatre outside Sainsbury's for a short open air service of remembrance and thanksgiving for the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus. Please do come to reflect on the cross and to support one another in our common witness as disciples of Jesus.

Friday 25th March

10.45am Refreshments at Didcot Methodist Church, The Broadway
11.15 Walk of Witness to commence from the Methodist Church to the Amphitheatre
11.30 Service at the Amphitheatre
12.00 Finish



HOLY WEEK

We have some extra services during Holy Week:

Thurs 24th March 7.45pm Maundy Thursday Holy Communion service at St Matthew's

Fri 25th March 8.45am Procession from Chilton Field Community Centre to All Saints' Chilton

9.30am 'At the Cross' Service at All Saints'

11.00am 'At the Cross' Service at St Matthew's

Sat 26th March 8.00pm Easter Vigil at All Saints'

Sun 27th March 4.30pm Easter Fiesta at Chilton Field

CRÈCHE IN HARWELL

Since June 2015 we have been trialling a larger crèche area in church, so that the smallest members of our congregation can play, whilst their parents can take an active part in the service. The area has been well used by a range of babies, toddlers and young children. We have had some feedback, but would be very interested to hear from other members of our congregation about their thoughts on the new area. Please contact me at christinar.wood@virgin.net or 832169. Thank you

Christina Wood

ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION 2016

The Electoral Rolls for St Matthew's Harwell and All Saints' Chilton are being revised in the period 6th March to 26th March inclusive. The Electoral Roll is your Parish Church's Register of Electors, the list of those qualified to vote at the Church Annual General Meeting at which the Parochial Church Council and the Deanery Synod representatives are elected. You also need to be on the Electoral Roll for at least 6 months to be a PCC member or Churchwarden. If you are already on the Electoral Roll you do not need to re-register. For St Matthew's Harwell forms may be obtained from the table at the back of church, and completed forms should be placed in the wall box in church near the main door. For All Saints' Chilton forms may be obtained from Gordon Cowan (telephone 831932) or from All Saints' Church (blank forms in the red envelope at the base of the font), and completed forms should be returned to Gordon or placed in the yellow envelope at the base of the font. Forms should be returned no later than 26th March.

CFW Numbers 12th –18th March

Kids Church 17; Pathfinders 7; YF 19
Fledgelings 26 adults + 38 children; Y-Club 12
At least 17 different people volunteered in excess of 37 hours last week. Thank you.

Thank you to everyone who stayed after the service at All Saints' last week to ask questions & make comments about the Children & Families Work. I was encouraged by the turn out, by the many positive things people had to say, and with the suggestions for growth.

On Monday Fledgelings had perfect conditions to enjoy a trip to see some new born lambs (...and tractors!). Lots of wide-eyed wonder. Thanks to Princes Manor Farm.



Y-Club has finished for the term. But they had great fun making their own Easter gardens to take home as a reminder of the gospel message over the break. Thank you to Judy & Norman Goodall for sourcing all the materials.

Easter Story Trail

The Easter Story trail is up and running! This is a really fun & engaging way for young & old alike to enjoy a village walk, think about events of Easter and appreciate some art work. This year the art features pictures are created by pupils of Harwell & Chilton Primary schools. There may even be a few treats along the trails :) Register here: hcchurches.org/eastertrail



Lads (15+) & Dads

Easter Food & Film Night: Curry. Then the Easter message according to "The Matrix". Join us for both or just one or the other. Please contact Peter if interested.

EASTER FIESTA

What do you get when you cross Easter with a Feast? A Fiesta! **On Easter Sunday** (27th March) we'll be celebrating The Resurrection & The Life with family-friendly worship and a feast of eating, singing, making & playing. It will be at Chilton Field community room at 4.30pm. If you only come to one Easter service, make it this one!

Thank you to all those who have returned CMS mission



boxes recently. The money has now been sent to CMS. If you still have a CMS Mission box, please pass it onto Georgina Greer. New CMS mission boxes will soon be available for anyone who would like one.

Thank you to Betty Pyke who has organised the boxes and been the CMS representative for many years. Thank you to Georgina for taking on this role.

The Didcot Food Bank urgently require more food donations especially **tinned meat, tinned vegetables, whole UHT milk, biscuits, packet puddings, treats and sugar** to help people around Didcot. The food donation plastic container is left at the back of the church in the vestry every Sunday for donations. At the end of the Sunday services it will be put in the office for safe keeping until taken to the Food Bank in Didcot. Donations can also be left at All Saints' Church. Thank you for your support.
Mel & Margaret Gibson.

VISITORS' INFO

Children are especially welcome at our services. There are groups for primary aged children in Harwell, and a family area in Chilton with activities for younger children.

At our services of Holy Communion all who love the Lord are welcome to share with us. If you require a gluten-free wafer please indicate this to the sidespeople before the service.

Both churches have a hearing loop, and large print service and weekly noticesheets are available. Toilets are at the back of the church in Harwell and accessed from outside at Chilton.

NOTICESHEET ITEMS

Please submit noticesheet items to Vicky by Wednesday of the preceding week, either via the website, by email, by phone, or by leaving a note in the vestry. The deadline for Broadsheet items is the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

News items also appear on our website. You need to be logged-in to see some of them.

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P R A Y E R F O C U S

'...in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God' Philippians 4:6

Please pray for...

- A peaceful solution to the troubles in Iraq, Syria, Ukraine and Gaza
- All those seeking refuge from war-torn countries
- Those who live in Limetrees, Chilton and in Manor Green, Harwell
- Those doing the Lent Vocation bible studies
- The work of the Barnabas Fund, and particularly the situation in South Sudan where Pastor Hassan is still being detained, but give thanks that Pastor Kwa Shamal has been released



Collect for Palm Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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.