

# 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

### 17th July - The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

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

9:30am Holy Communion at All Saints'  
with David & Heather Sharland, CMS

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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

## NEXT SUNDAY

### 24th July - The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

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

9:30am Morning Worship at All Saints'

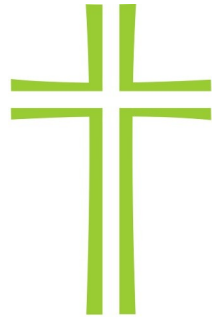
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about any matter, please  
contact Jonathan directly,  
or via the Church Office

St Matthew's Harwell  
with All Saints' Chilton

## ST MATTHEW'S FINANCING

### St Matthew's Half Year Finances

In preparing the 2016 budget, the Finance Committee projected a deficit of £8770. Half year figures to 30th June show that both income and expenditure are roughly on line with budget with a projected deficit of around £7000. This would mean that at 31st December 2016 our totally free reserves would be almost completely used. Meanwhile we are still 10% (£7000) short on pledges to cover the Children and Families Worker 3-year extension funding requirements. Although it is anticipated that only £13000 will be required of the Designated Fund of £20000 which has been set aside to cover the current CFW contract uncovered costs, it would be a great encouragement if the remaining £7000 could be released to cover this year's projected general income and expenditure deficit. Please consider prayerfully whether you are able to assist by increasing your general level of giving, or, if you have not already done so, by completing a pledge for the CFW renewal fund.



## FIT FOR THE FUTURE

As part of our mission to Grow God's Church, wider, deeper and closer, St Matthew's PCC have been progressing plans to make the church building more flexible, comfortable and accessible. Following the consultation in November, and the Day of Prayer and the discussion at the APCM in April, the PCC have been researching the options for an upgraded heating system and new seating.

The decision has now been taken to replace the existing high-level radiant heaters with wall-based electric radiators. This system should provide a much more comfortable environment than the current system, with lower hourly running costs. With increasing use of the church building, it should even 'pay for itself'. An electric system would be more flexible, easier and cheaper to install, and less visually intrusive than a gas-fired system, which was the main alternative.

A working group have carefully considered various chairs to replace the pews in the main body of the church, taking account of things such as comfort, stackability, and durability. The recommendation, accepted by PCC, is for a chair called 'Abbey', widely used in churches and cathedrals, and for the whole floor to be covered with a carpet of a similar type and quality to the present one.

The next steps are to develop these plans, consulting with the Church Architect, Diocesan authorities and historic societies, and consider fund-raising possibilities. The estimated total cost of an upgraded heating system, new seating and carpeting is around £90,000, and much of this could be covered from existing reserves. Quotes will be sought in the autumn, and permissions in the spring, with a view to all the work being done in the summer/early autumn of 2017.

Please speak to a Churchwarden, member of PCC, or Jonathan for further information.

## THANK YOU

Steve Boddy - Daphne, Stephen and Simon Boddy and their family wish to thank all relatives and friends for the kind messages of sympathy and donations received during their recent sad loss of Steve. Your love and support has been much appreciated. Please accept this as a personal acknowledgement.

## CFW Numbers 10-14 July

Pebbles 6; Kids Church 8; Pathfinders 11; YF 17

Fledgelings 43 children + 31 adults

Y Club has already finished for the summer

There were at least 12 volunteers involved in the CFW ministry last week. They donated 32 hours of their time.

## Countdown to Camelot

We're on the final approach to Holiday Club and we need YOUR help. There's a way for everyone to contribute.

**Can you supply any of the following:** 2 litre drinks bottles (to make wormeries!). Craft items such as cardboard, junk modelling items... silver paper or tape or paint, Pringles tubes or similar, loo rolls! Staging & props items such as goblets, armoury, antlers, tapestries, voile curtains, bunting, luxurious fabrics, ribbons... basically anything medieval (anyone happen to have an old suit of armour rusting in the attic!!). Please label any items you loan us.

**Refreshments & playground supervision:** Each day we have 3 break periods (morning, lunch and afternoon). If you're willing to help make & serve refreshments to the team and the children during any of them, we'd love to hear from you. Similarly, would you be willing to simply supervise the play ground whilst the other team members have a well-earned break? We need to hear from you. Contact Peter (07467 038734 ) or Jane Woolley (07941 124620)

**Tents:** Do you know anyone with a large tent (i.e. at least 8 person) who would be willing to loan it for the week? Better still if they (or you) would they be willing to help pitch it on the weekend before and decamp on the Friday 19th. Peter (07467 038734 ) or Jane Woolley (07941 124620) await your call!



## Fledgelings:

Fledgelings are raising money for some new play equipment.

Please join us for a good ol' foot kickin', finger clickin', leather slappin', hand clappin', hip

bumpin', music thumpin' **BARN DANCE** with 2 course meal. BYO drink. Checked shirts essential. Saturday 6th August 8-11 pm £10pp. Tickets available from the office or <http://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/fledgelings>

## Great Western Park Activities week - 25th - 29th July 2016.

GWP are holding a series of craft and fun activities for all ages during the final week of July in GWP. There are so many things to get involved with and we are seeking support for registration, refreshments, lending a hand with activities and crafts and joining in the fun. If you would like to help please contact Mark Bodeker on 07970 111110 or email [markbodeker@gmail.com](mailto:markbodeker@gmail.com)

## HARVEST BARN DANCE

**Saturday 1st October**

**7-11 pm, Chilton Village**

**Hall.** Live music with "the Shady Grove String Band" plus experienced caller – tickets (£10 per adult and £7.50 per child, on sale soon) includes a baked potato + choice of toppings. Raising funds for Tearfund.



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**TICKETS NOW FOR SALE**  
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## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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...

- For those affected by the attack in Nice, France
- For reconciliation and wise decisions in the wake of the Referendum result
- A peaceful solution to the troubles in Iraq, Syria, Ukraine and Gaza
- All those seeking refuge from war-torn countries
- Those who live in The Paddock, Chilton and in Townsend, Harwell
- The guests and team members involved in the Alpha Course
- John Abu Bakker who runs Fellowship for Neighbours India
- All the preparations for Holiday Club
- Those preparing for marriage, particularly William Bond and Jenna Wilcox, Anthony Burgess and Rachel Stevens, Sarah Cox and Lukas Somarakis
- The process of advertising for and appointing a 'Science Ministry Apprentice' from August (HCChurches.org/sma)

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### **Collect for the 8th Sunday after Trinity**

*Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*