

# 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.

## 22ND JANUARY

### Third Sunday of Epiphany

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

9:30am Morning Worship at All Saints'

11:00am Morning Worship at St Matthew's

6:15pm Holy Communion 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

## 29TH JANUARY

### Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

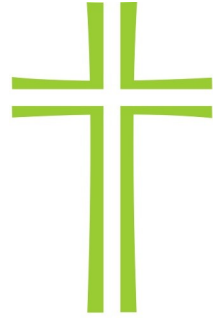
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If you would like to talk with the Rector about any matter, please contact Jonathan directly, or via the Church Office

St Matthew's Harwell  
with All Saints' Chilton

## WEDDING

Gavin Hodgson and Alice Carey will be getting married at St Matthew's, Harwell at 2pm on the 28th January and they would like to invite anyone who has met them during their recent visits to the church or remembers Alice from her time in Harwell to join them for the marriage service and refreshments in the church afterwards.

They would be grateful if anyone planning to attend could let them know at [hodgsons2017@gmail.com](mailto:hodgsons2017@gmail.com)

## BISHOP STEVEN

Bishop Steven will be visiting our Deanery on 1st February 2017.

There will be a gathering at St. Mary le More, Wallingford at 7.30pm. The evening is open to anyone who wishes to come, and Bishop Steven is particularly keen to welcome PCC Members.

The evening will begin with a short act of worship, which will be followed by an address from the Bishop and Question Time. The Bishop has said that the questions may be on anything at all! The evening will finish by 9.30pm.

## SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Thank you to all those who came along to our safeguarding training on the 21st January. If you missed it, and would like a copy of the hand-outs please contact Vicky in the office.

## CHRISTINGLE

Wendy Sinclair is organising our St Matthew's Christingle team this year and will be making oranges into treat laden symbols of God's love on Saturday 4th February, 2pm at 5 Chilbrook. We would love to have lots of volunteers join us. For more information please contact Wendy on 221008. For more information about Christingles in Chilton please contact Vicky in the Church Office.



## THE BIBLE PROJECT



Have you seen any of The Bible Project films? They've created 5-7 minute films for each book of the bible giving an overview of the key themes. The images are line drawings done as the book is explained. You can watch them all for free online. See [thebibleproject.com](http://thebibleproject.com) to find out more. Their desire is to show how the bible is a unified story that leads to Jesus.

## DIDCOT OUTREACH

Ridgeway Community Church Didcot will be doing a monthly outreach close to the Orchard Centre. Chris Eke, Minister at Didcot Ridgeway Church says: *"The outreach is quite simple in its idea as we will be praying for people and sharing our faith in conversation with those open to it. We will also hand out leaflets with encouraging Christian messages in them. The aim is really to see lives touched and transformed by prayer and the power of the Gospel. We are looking at doing this outreach on the first or second Saturday of each month. Our first will be on the 11th of February. If you are free and in town, do pop by and say hi."*

## GENERATION 2 GENERATION

### CFW Numbers 10th-17th Jan

Fledgelings: 34 children + 29 adults; YF: 7

No Pebbles, Pathfinders or Kids Church last week, but it was great to join together with the other churches young people's groups. It's always encouraging to see the size of our extended Christian family and realise the potential for our own.

### Opportunity Knocks

Want to try something new in 2017? Want to deepen your faith?

There's no better way than serving. All our groups would benefit from having more people on the team.

Pathfinders, YF, Y Club, Kids Church, Fledgelings

- there are jobs great & small in all of them. If you'd rather look before you leap, why not ask if you can come and sit in for a session sometime?

**Reading** There has been another request from Harwell Primary school for people willing to listen to children read. Let me know if you can spare an hour or two each week simply to listen to children read their books. And if you spoke to me last time I appealed but haven't heard back from me - PLEASE COME BACK TO ME (better still, email me!)

**Coming up:** In the coming weeks & months... YF will be going deeper with the Bible; what exactly is it?; what relevance has it?; how does it all piece together? and challenging ourselves to read the New Testament in a year. Kids Church will be going through the whole Bible seeing how it all points to Jesus. Fledgelings are learning about creation and thanking God for our marvelous world.

## WEEK OF PRAYER WITH CTDD

There is a week of prayer for Christian Unity with the Churches Together in Didcot from 19th-25th January. Please see the news section of the website for more details. St Matthew's are hosting a prayer meeting at **2pm on Tuesday 24th January**. All very welcome to attend any or all of the prayer meetings.

## LEPROSY MISSION



Both our churches have supported The Leprosy Mission for a number of years by giving from funds administered by the PCC's, through collecting used postage stamps, through collecting loose change in money phials and through prayer. To mark World Leprosy Day on Sunday 29th January I am planning to send the money collected in our phials to The Leprosy Mission. If you have a phial that is ready to hand in, please would you give it to me?

With many thanks for your prayers and support.

Rosemary Rolls  
15 Elderfield Crescent,  
Chilton

## ALPHA

Alpha is a great way to explore what Christianity is all about, along with the chance to get to know others in the community. We plan to run another Alpha group soon. Take a look at [alpha.org](http://alpha.org) or contact Vicky in the Church Office.

## VISITORS' INFO

Children and young people are especially welcome at our services, and there are groups for children and young people in Harwell, and for primary aged and pre-school children in Chilton, along with a family area in both churches.

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: <http://HCChurches.org>

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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 South Row, Chilton and Jennings Lane, Harwell
- The three men awaiting trial in Sudan
- The new CAP Debt Centre in Didcot
- Those doing the CAP Money Course
- Greater Christian unity across the churches

### Collect for 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

*Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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.*

There are many church groups and activities happening every week and space does not permit inclusion of all of them. You can find details of all church events and groups on the church website: <http://HCChurches.org>

Do please also consider registering on our website if you have not already done so. This gives you access to more information and puts you on the list for occasional email updates that are sent out.