

RIDGEWAY BROADSHEET

March 2013



Why not come and join us on March 10th?



9.30am Morning Worship at All Saints' Chilton
11am Morning Worship at St. Matthew's Harwell

*All mothers will be presented with
posies of flowers at the services*

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ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION 2013

The Electoral Roll is your Parish Church's register of electors, the list of those qualified to attend at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting and to vote in elections to the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and the Deanery Synod. You also need to be on the Electoral Roll for at least 6 months to be a PCC member or Churchwarden. This year the electoral rolls of both churches are being completely renewed.

All Saints' Chilton

The Roll will be completely renewed in the period Sunday 24th February to Tuesday 19th March inclusive. If you wish your name to appear on the new Electoral Roll you must complete a fresh form of application. These may be obtained from Gordon Cowan (tel. 831932), from All Saints' Church (in the red envelope at the base of the font), or from the church website (see below). All completed application forms should be returned no later than 19th March 2013 to Gordon or placed in the yellow envelope at the base of the font in All Saints' Church.

St Matthew's Harwell

In Harwell the process of revision has started and the revision notice has been posted. The revision will start on the 20th March and close on the 30th March. If you are on the Electoral Roll of St Matthew's and would like to remain on it, please sign against your name on the relevant form. If you are not on the St Matthew's Electoral Roll but would like to be, please complete an application form. Both forms can be found at the back of church, and application forms can also be downloaded from the church website.

Application forms may be downloaded from hchurches.org/electoralrollapplication

JEAN & PETER

We are delighted that Jean and Peter Barton have re-joined the Ministry Team. They have are now living in a house in Harwell and we look forward to them preaching and leading at services in both churches, as well as serving in other roles.

HARWELL PASTORAL CARE

We have a small team who are able to offer support and friendship especially to those who are lonely, housebound or unwell. If you, or anyone you know, would welcome a visit please get in touch. It is helpful to know of cases of illness either at home or in hospital.

Also if you unable to get to church and would like to receive Holy Communion at home please let us know.

Please contact Joan Impey 820346, the Rector 799376, or the Parish Office 834256 or office@harwellandchiltonchurches.org.uk.

HOME GROUPS

Do you want to understand the Bible better? Do you seek God's direction for your life? Would you like to meet regularly with others to support and encourage one another in living the Christian faith? If so, why not consider joining a home group? The groups meet at various times and days and in various locations: Mondays at 7.45pm in Chilton and at 8pm in Harwell, Tuesdays at 8pm in various locations, Wednesdays at 10.15am in Harwell and 1.45pm in Chilton, and Fridays at 2.15pm at Cherry Tree Court, Harwell. There is also a new group in Harwell on Thursdays at 7.30pm. For more information about any of these groups please contact either Carolyn in the Church Office or Jonathan.

THANK YOU

The collection from **Christingle candles** last Sunday came to £133.84 for St. Matthew's and £97.30 for All Saints'. This was in aid of the Children's Society.

The amount collected in the **CMS Collection boxes** from January 2012 to January 2013 was £469.65. Thank you to everyone who donated to the CMS Mission. If anyone would like to obtain a 'Box' please contact Betty Pyke, 835324 or 6 Tyrell's Close, Harwell.

Most of us will admit that we have at times told a little lie to avoid embarrassment. It was to save face that former Cabinet minister Chris Huhne asked his wife to carry the can for his speeding offence. A decade later the chickens have come home to roost, with the misdemeanour revealed and a political career in tatters. From chickens to horses, the European food industry is another casualty of dishonesty and the horsemeat scandal has opened a window on a murky European food industry seemingly riddled with dishonest practices driven by pressure to cut costs.



We read stories of government ministers in Europe embarrassed by discoveries of past plagiarism, and of the same syndrome on the other side of the Atlantic. Recently Harvard University accused 125 under-graduates of sharing and plagiarising answers for a final take-home exam, and a study found that an astonishing 85% of high school students cheat in tests.

But it is hardly surprising that young people cheat when the most successful people in society cheat all the time – bankers pocket billions by rigging the interest rates they charge each other, pharmaceutical companies fake their trial results, famous singers lip-sync at concerts, and elite athletes such as Lance Armstrong illegally use drugs to get to the top.

It is shocking how even very young children find it so easy to deal in half-truths and spin. Deceiving others comes shamefully easily to us. It is very tempting to be economical with the truth, or to lie outright, when it is apparently rewarding to do so. But lies and deception are ultimately damaging – not just to those around us, but to us too – as Chris Huhne and Lance Armstrong have discovered. “Oh, what a tangled web we weave... when first we practice to deceive” observed Walter Scott.

So what is the solution? It starts with naming the problem – not to do so is another form of deception. The Apostle John tells us that “If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us”. Mark Twain – that shrewd observer of the human condition – was also aware of the universality of this particular blight: “There’s one way to find out if a man is honest”, suggests Twain, “ask him; if he says yes, you know he’s crooked.” But having the honesty to answer ‘no’ is the approach that John advocates: “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness” (1 John 1:8-9).

Our food chain is contaminated and in need of purification, but the only chance of that is to identify the source of the problem. For ourselves, we need to name the problem and be prepared to be embarrassed in order to be purified. To deny the problem is self-deception. But to admit it is the way to life and freedom.

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Friday 1st
2:15pm Home Group at Cherry Tree Court, Harwell

Saturday 2nd
9.00am Spring cleaning at All Saints' Church

Sunday 3rd 8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Matthew's Church, Harwell 9:30am All Age Worship at All Saints' Church, Chilton 11:00am All Age Worship at St Matthew's Church—Fairtrade Stall 4:30pm "Connect" at Chilton School 6:15pm Evening Prayer at St Matthew's Church, Harwell 7:00pm Youth Fellowship at 9 The Cleave, Harwell
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Monday 4th
9:30am Fledgelings at St Matthew's Church Hall
7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice at All Saints' tower
7:45pm Home Group at North Lodge, Manor Close, Chilton
8:00pm Home Group at 10 Jennings Lane, Harwell

Tuesday 5th
2:30pm Chilton Evergreens at Chilton Village Hall—Talk by Dr. Pat Moseley
7:45pm All Saints' PCC meeting at St Matthew's Church, Harwell
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Wednesday 6th
10:15am Home Group at St Matthew's Church meeting room
1:45pm Home Group at 15 Elderfield Crescent, Chilton
7:30pm Chilton Choir practice at All Saints' Church, Chilton
8:30pm Night Prayer at All Saints' Church, Chilton

Thursday 7th
7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice at St Matthew's tower
7:30pm Home Group at Milburn, Wantage Road, Harwell

Friday 8th
2:15pm Home Group at Cherry Tree Court, Harwell

Sunday 10th 8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at All Saints' Church, Chilton 9:30am Morning Worship at All Saints' Church, Chilton 11:00am Morning Worship at St Matthew's Church, Harwell 4:30pm "Connect" at Chilton School 4:30pm 'Hands Free' Worship at St Matthew's Church, Harwell 7:00pm Youth Fellowship at St Matthew's Church Hall
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Monday 11th
9:30am Fledgelings at St Matthew's Church Hall
7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice at All Saints' tower
7:45pm Home Group at North Lodge, Manor Close, Chilton
8:00pm Home Group at 10 Jennings Lane, Harwell

Tuesday 12th
7:30pm Chilton Wives at All Saints' Church -
Up-date on 'End of Polio Now' talk by Hazel King
8:00pm Men's group at The Rose & Crown Pub, Chilton

Wednesday 13th
10:15am Home Group at St Matthew's Church meeting room
1:45pm Home Group at 15 Elderfield Crescent, Chilton
7:30pm Chilton Choir practice at All Saints' Church, Chilton

Thursday 14th
7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice at St Matthew's tower
7:30pm Home Group at Milburn, Wantage Road, Harwell

Friday 15th
2:15pm Home Group at Cherry Tree Court, Harwell

Saturday 16th
7:15pm Chilton Wives' Group at Chilton Village Hall

Sunday 17th

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Matthew's Church, Harwell
9:30am Holy Communion at All Saints' Church, Chilton
11:00am Holy Communion at St Matthew's Church, Harwell
4:30pm "Connect" at Chilton School
6:15pm Evening Prayer (BCP) at St Matthew's Church, Harwell
7:00pm Youth Fellowship at 9 The Cleave, Harwell

Monday 18th

9:30am Fledgelings at St Matthew's Church Hall
 7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice at All Saints' tower
 7:45pm Home Group at North Lodge, Manor Close, Chilton
 8:00pm Home Group at 10 Jennings Lane, Harwell

Tuesday 19th

10:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at Cherry Tree Court, Harwell
 7:30pm Harwell Ladies' Group at St Matthew's Church Hall—AGM & Auction

Wednesday 20th

10:15am Home Group at St Matthew's Church meeting room
 1:45pm Home Group at 15 Elderfield Crescent, Chilton
 7:30pm Chilton Choir practice at All Saints' Church, Chilton

Thursday 21st

2:30pm Harwell Evergreens at St Matthew's Church Hall—AGM & "Chrissie's Owls"
 7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice at St Matthew's tower
 7:30pm Home Group at Milburn, Wantage Road, Harwell

Friday 22nd

2:15pm Home Group at Cherry Tree Court, Harwell

Sunday 24th

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at All Saints' Church, Chilton
9:30am Morning Worship at All Saints' Church, Chilton
11:00am Morning Worship at St Matthew's Church, Harwell
4:30pm "Connect" at Chilton School
6:15pm Holy Communion at St Matthew's Church, Harwell
7:00pm Youth Fellowship at 9 The Cleave, Harwell

Monday 25th

9:30am Fledgelings at St Matthew's Church Hall
 7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice at All Saints' tower
 7:45pm Home Group at North Lodge, Manor Close, Chilton
 8:00pm Home Group at 10 Jennings Lane, Harwell

Wednesday 27th

10:15am Home Group at St Matthew's Church meeting room
 1:45pm Home Group at 15 Elderfield Crescent, Chilton
 7:30pm Chilton Choir practice at All Saints' Church, Chilton

Thursday 28th

7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice at St Matthew's tower
 7:30pm Home Group at Milburn, Wantage Road, Harwell

Friday 29th

7:45pm Maundy Thursday Holy Communion at All Saints' Church

9:30am Good Friday 'At the Cross' at All Saints' Church, Chilton
11:00am Good Friday 'At the Cross' at St Matthew's Church, Harwell

Saturday 30th

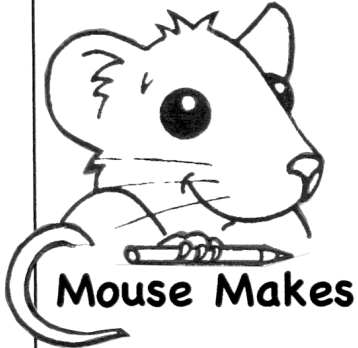
8:00pm Easter Vigil at All Saints' Church, Chilton

Sunday 31st

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Matthew's Church, Harwell
9:30am Holy Communion at All Saints' Church, Chilton
11:00am Holy Communion at St Matthew's Church, Harwell
6:30pm Evening Prayer at All Saints' Church, Chilton

Every Saturday

8:30am Prayer meetings at both Churches



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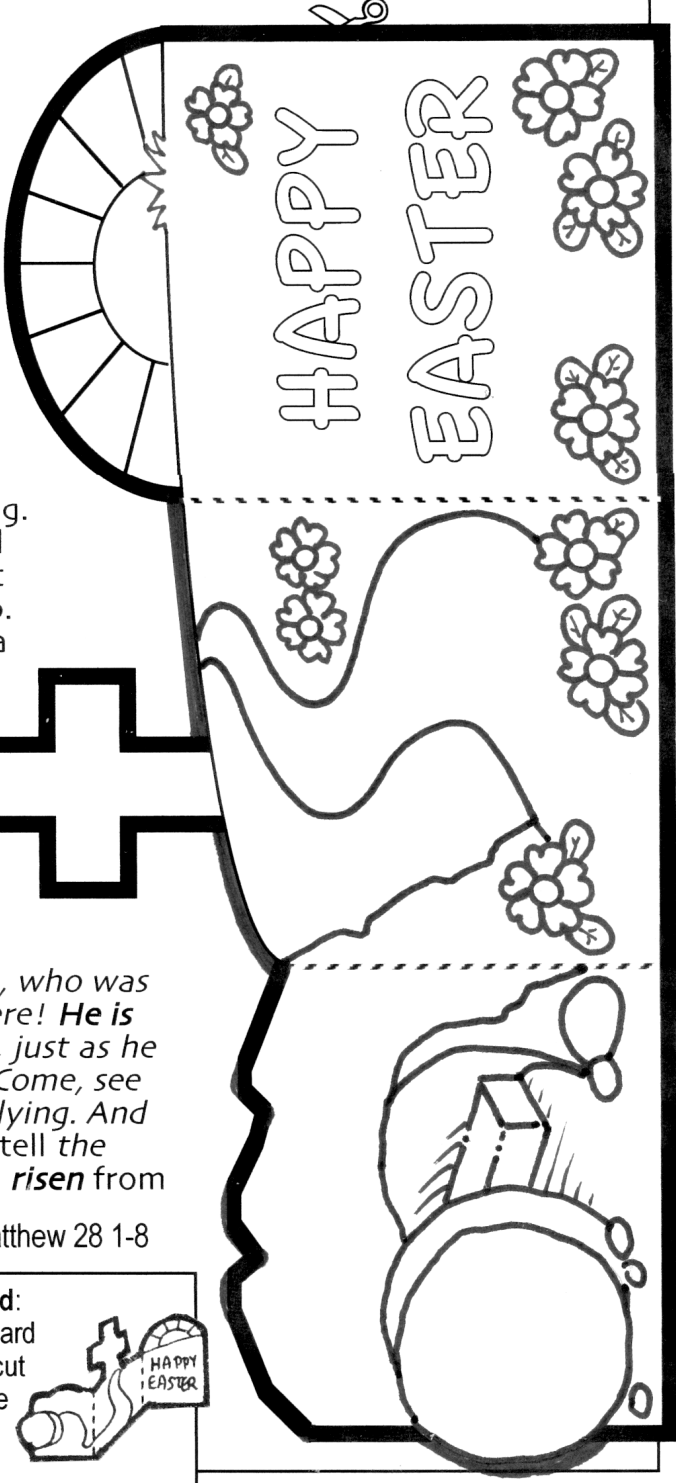
JESUS IS ALIVE!

Early on Sunday morning, as the new day was dawning. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went out to visit the tomb. Suddenly there was a great earthquake! For an **angel** of the Lord came down from **heaven**, rolled aside the stone, and sat on it....

"Don't be afraid" he said. *"I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He isn't here! He is **risen** from the dead, just as he said would happen. Come, see where his body was lying. And now, go quickly and tell the disciples that he has **risen** from the dead."*

See: Matthew 28 1-8

To make the Easter card:
Glue this page onto thin card then colour in. Carefully cut around the thick black line then zig-zag fold along the dotted lines.



AIR & COUNTRY SHOW

The Abingdon Air & Country Show, Sunday 5th May Abingdon airfield, off Barrow Road, Shippon, ABINGDON, OX13 6JQ. This event is held in support of local Thames Valley & Chiltern Air Ambulance Trust. For more information contact: Colin Smith Publicity & Tickets Coordinator 07769689823 or visit the website www.abingdonairandcountry.co.uk

WAR HORSE

The popular film War Horse will be shown on Friday 1st March at 7.30pm in the Village Hall in aid of the Village Hall Redevelopment Fund. The film has a wide appeal for young people (from 12) to OAPs and in between. Tickets are £5 from Bob's, the school or Barbara on 835698. An added bonus will be the presence of Annie's Fish and Chip Van in the car park beforehand. Ticket holders are welcome to come early, purchase fish and chips and make use of the Bar from 6 pm.

DIDCOT VOLUNTEERS' FAIR

Organised by Didcot Rotary Club for the benefit of charities and other voluntary organisations in the Didcot Area. Didcot Civic Hall, Saturday 9th March 2012, 10am-3pm. To book your place contact Colin Campbell on 212082 or www.didcotrotary.org.uk or e-mail president@didcotrotary.org.uk. Volunteers can simply turn up on the day.

HARWELL GARDENERS CLUB

Harwell Village Hall, Monday 4th March 7.30pm. Talk by Brian Fisher. Competition: Primula Family. For more information contact David Drummond, 821615.

QUIZ NEWS

Chilton Wives' Group are holding their **Annual Quiz Evening** on Saturday March 16th in the Village Hall. Teams comprise up to 6 members and the aim is to have a really good time. There will be a hot tasty supper and a delicious pudding. Tickets are priced at £8 per person. Please let us know when you purchase them if you are vegetarian or if you have any specific dietary requirements and we will try to cater for them. Please bring your own drink and glasses. Doors open at 7:15 pm for a prompt 7:30 start. To avoid disappointment please book early; tickets sell very quickly.

This year we are aiming:

1. To support Hamlin Fistula UK which supports the work of the Hamlin Fistula Hospitals in Ethiopia where women with obstetric fistulae are treated.
2. To raise funds to improve the footpath to the Church and Graveyard at All Saints' Chilton so that there may be easy access for all.

The **current Cryptic Quiz** will raise funds for Hamlin Fistula UK and the Church Footpath as it ties in with the Charity Quiz evening. Cryptic Quiz Sheets are available from Judy Goodall, 43 Crafts End Tel 834503, Audrey Slater, 9 Latton Close Tel 834558, Shea at the Rose & Crown, Gurmit at the Post Office, Atomic Hair, and Daphne Boddy, Sans Souci, Reading Rd Harwell Tel 221047.

HARWELL SCOUT GROUP QUIZ NIGHT

March 2nd, Harwell Village Hall, 7 for 7.30pm. £5 per person— 6 people maximum to a team. (Teams can be made up for those who apply in ones or twos). Bar. A Fish and Chip supper can be ordered on the night for £5. Please call Claire Storey 221049 if you wish to confirm a place, or pay at the door.

Please give items for the May Ridgeway Broadsheet to the Administrator, Carolyn Vickers, by Wednesday 17th April preferably by email to office@harwellandchiltonchurches.org.uk. Weekly noticesheet items should be received in the Church office by Wednesday morning of each week. Thank you.

 **CONCERT** 

MUSIC in MARCH

*An evening of choral and
instrumental music featuring:*



The Crown Singers



*A local chamber choir performing a mix of
madrigals, part songs and sacred music*

Conductor: Richard Goodall

and



The Bagg's Tree Buskers



Harwell's own jazzy band

***St Matthew's Church, Harwell
Saturday 9 March 2013 at 7.30pm***

Interval refreshments will be available

*Tickets £8 in advance from
Bob's Butchers, Harwell
or phone 01235 835698 or on the door*

<http://www.crownsingers.co.uk>

