

Ridgeway Broadsheet

JUNE




St. Matthew's, Harwell
Jesus
Christ
is Lord
With All Saints', Chilton
2013

Holiday Club 2013



For children of primary school age
Monday 19 to Friday 23 August
held at Harwell Village School
Bookings: hcchurches.org/holidayclub

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PCC MEMBERS

At the APCMs, Andrew Hayes, Naomi Gibson, Tony Hughes and Mel Gibson were all re-elected to serve a further year as Churchwardens. Elections were also held for PCC members and following the APCMs the members of the Church Councils for Harwell and Chilton in addition to Jonathan and Pam and the Churchwardens, are as follows:

Harwell PCC

Peter Barclay-Watt, Lizi Bowerman, Monika Buxton, Scott Cockburn, Vicki Luker, Anne Gill, Gordon Gill, Allan Macarthur, Liz Roberts, Roz Shipp, Chris Wheaton, Jane Woolley

Chilton PCC

Philip Garner, Stuart Gibson, Lin Kerr, Hazel King, Liz Morris, Carol Pigott, John Pigott, Ruth Poole, Alex Reich, Sylvie Thompson.

Please pray for our Churchwardens and PCCs.

HARWELL STONE SERVICE

On the Saturday nearest to the anniversary of D-Day, a parade and service is held at the RAF Harwell Memorial Stone at the Harwell Oxford Campus. The stone marks the departure point for Servicemen who were amongst the first to land on D-Day. This is organised by the Royal British Legion Harwell Branch and supported by Goodman. The 2013 Service will take place on Saturday 8th June 2013 at 5.30pm. Legion Standards, Service Standards and Army/Air Cadet Standards are also welcome to attend, please be there for 5.00pm. Attendees should note there are no facilities at the stone. After the service attendees will be welcome at the Harwell Village RBL Club in Westfield. If you require further information please contact the Branch: branch@harwellrbl.co.uk

WEBSITE & FACEBOOK

You can visit our website to find out about our various activities and groups, catch up on news, listen to sermons, access the members-only address book, find useful documents, and lots more: hcchurches.org or harwellandchiltonchurches.org.uk. If you would like to keep up to date with news from our churches, why not 'like' our new Facebook page? facebook.com/hcchurches
If you're having any difficulty in using the website, there are people in both villages who are happy to help either at the end of a phone or by popping round to your house: In Chilton, call Ian Thompson (832385) or Lin Kerr (833119) and in Harwell, call Mel Gibson (832206) or Liz Roberts (834295).

HELP NEEDED: ALL SAINTS'

We have a small, dedicated team of volunteers who regularly clean All Saints' Church and keep it looking neat and tidy. They usually devote an hour or so every six weeks to this task. If you feel you could spare some time to help us and would like to join our team you would be very welcome. Male or female no experience needed! Please contact: Naomi, 820491 or naomi.gibson@talk21.com or Avril, 831117 or avril_butler@btinternet.com

'CONNECT' ON SUNDAY AFTERNOONS

'Connect' was launched in January and meets from 4.30-6pm at Chilton School in term-time. 'Connect' is accessible to all ages and involves optional activities such as crafts, a 'Thought for the day' on a Christian theme, and a shared cooked meal. It is informal, interactive and fun. All are welcome.

Mark Twain is often misquoted as saying: "Reports of my death have been greatly exaggerated." In fact he said something rather more prosaic. But even a casual look at recent stories in the news proves that the same might aptly be said of religious faith. The rumours of its demise have been greatly exaggerated, probably to the chagrin of its most ardent ill-wishers. Why else would the media and politicians make such a fuss when a bunch of unelected jumped-up vicars write a letter to *The Sunday Telegraph* about benefit cuts? Why else would 5,000 journalists assemble in Rome – complete with 'chimney-cam' – to witness dirty or white smoke emerging from a tin chimney on a church roof?



It is clear that people *are* interested in matters of faith, and its outworkings do make news. Christians are – as Jesus said we would be, – "a city built on a hilltop" that cannot be hidden. This is why it's so important that the Church gets it right. So we should be grateful that the first headline-grabbing comments of Justin Welby since being sworn in as Archbishop of Canterbury, were "on the side of the poor", because in

that he was surely being faithful to Jesus's Kingdom manifesto: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor" (Luke 4:18); and also to the apostolic demand "they asked us to remember the poor" (Galatians 2.10). It's an anachronistic anomaly that Justin Welby was *enthroned* with the paraphernalia of medieval power, an apparent disconnect with the simplicity of the Church's Lord and his message to the poor.

He of course has little choice in the matter – as neither has Pope Francis whose ministry has been to the poor and whose choice of name restates that commitment. Bullet-proof buggies will replace public buses. Church leaders' only hope is to lead lives of transparent holiness, marked by Christ-like simplicity and prayer. However heavy the outer trappings, it is the inner man who is revealed by his words and actions and is watched by the world. And we shouldn't kid ourselves that onlookers are interested only in those with high profiles.

The Church has recently celebrated Pentecost, recalling the time when the Holy Spirit was sent to the church to empower it for mission. Every Christian believer is inhabited by the Holy Spirit in order to reveal the love of Christ in the community. C S Lewis wrote that the Church that "exists for nothing else but to draw men into Christ, to make them little Christs. If they are not doing that, all the cathedrals, clergy, missions, sermons, even the Bible itself, are simply a waste of time. God became man for no other purpose." To be a disciple is this radical calling to be "little Christs"; in us others hope for a glimpse of Jesus, full of passionate care for the poor, the marginalised, the imprisoned, the deluded and the dying – and for themselves. Not only must we pray that our leaders should be shining examples, but Jesus reminds us all: "You are the light of the world."

Adapted from an article by Michael Wenham writing for Evangelical Alliance

June 2013

Saturday 1st

- 8:30am Prayer meeting at both Churches
- 4:00pm Bell Ringing Practice at All Saints' tower

Sunday 2nd

- 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, Harwell
- 11:00am Christening - Lewis Fisher at St Matthew's Church, Harwell
- 12:00pm Fairtrade stall at St. Matthew's Church
- 6:15pm Evening Prayer at St Matthew's Church, Harwell

Monday 3rd

- 9:30am Fledgelings at St Matthew's Church Hall
- 10.00am Missions Meeting at 15, Elderfield Crescent, Chilton
- 8:00pm Home Group at 10 Jennings Lane, Harwell

Tuesday 4th

- 2:30pm Chilton Evergreens at Chilton Village Hall-
Talk by Norman Foster 'Local History of Hendred & surrounding area'
- 7:45pm Combined PCC meeting at All Saints' Church, Chilton

Wednesday 5th

- 10:15am Home Group at St Matthew's Church meeting room
- 1:45pm Home Group at 15 Elderfield Crescent, Chilton
- 6:00pm Confirmation Group at All Saints' Chilton
- 7:30pm Chilton Choir practice at All Saints' Church, Chilton
- 8:30pm Night Prayer at All Saints' Church, Chilton

Thursday 6th

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

Friday 7th

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

Saturday 8th

- 8:30am Prayer meeting at both Churches
- 5:30pm Stone Service - at RAF Harwell Memorial Stone at Harwell Oxford Campus

Sunday 9th

- 8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)* at All Saints' Church, Chilton
- 9:30am Morning Worship (BCP)* 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

Monday 10th

- 9:30am Fledgelings at St Matthew's Church Hall
- 7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice at All Saints' Church
- 8:00pm Home Group at 10 Jennings Lane, Harwell

Tuesday 11th

- 7:45pm Chilton Wives at All Saints' Church—Outing to Ewelme

Wednesday 12th

- 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 13th

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

Friday 14th

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

Saturday 15th

- 8:30am Prayer meeting at both Churches

Sunday 16th

- 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 17th

- 9:30am Fledgelings at St Matthew's Church Hall
- 7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice at All Saints' Church
- 8:00pm Home Group at 10 Jennings Lane, Harwell

Tuesday 18th

- 10:00am Holy Communion (BCP)* at Cherry Tree Court, Harwell
- 7:30pm Harwell Ladies' Group - 'Garden Meeting' at Dromore, Townsend, Harwell—
Bring & Share supper—Bring & Buy Stall

Wednesday 19th

- 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 20th

- 2:30pm Evergreens Combined Service at St Matthew's Church followed by-
'Summer Party' with musical entertainment at St Matthew's Church Hall
- 7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice at St Matthew's
- 7:30pm Home Group at Dunaverty, Wantage Road, Harwell

Friday 21st

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

Saturday 22nd

- 8:30am Prayer meeting at both Churches

Sunday 23rd

- 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 24th

- 9:30am Fledgelings at St Matthew's Church Hall
- 7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice at All Saints' Church
- 8:00pm Home Group at 10 Jennings Lane, Harwell

Wednesday 26th

- 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 27th

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

Friday 28th

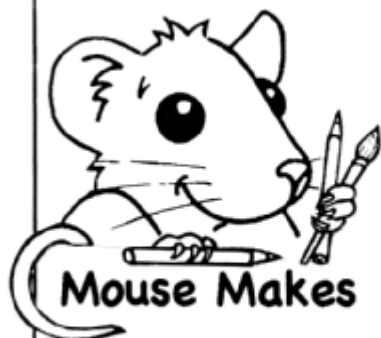
- 2:15pm Home Group at Cherry Tree Court, Harwell

Saturday 29th

- 8:30am Prayer meeting at both Churches

Sunday 30th

- 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
- 6:30pm Evening Prayer at All Saints' Church, Chilton
- 7:00pm Youth Fellowship at 9, The Cleave, Harwell



You may have read the bible story of Daniel in the lions den, but have you ever read the whole book of Daniel?

Take your time and read a little each day and find out about *the vegetables*, *the statue*, *the gold idol*, *the furnace*, *the tree*, *the writing on the wall*, *the lions*, *the four animals*, *the ram and the goat*, and the man.

Hidden in the lion's mouth are all these names and words, can you find them?

- DANIEL
- ASHPENAZ
- HANANIAH
- MISHAEL
- AZARIAH
- DREAM
- STATUE
- IDOL
- FURNACE
- TREE
- WRITING
- WALL
- DARIUS
- LIONS
- PRAYER
- GOD
- NEBUCHADNEZZAR



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Ashpenaz changed the names of Daniel and his friends.

Look up *Daniel 1:7* to see what he changed them to.

FROM THE PARISH
REGISTERS

Baptisms

"Welcome into the Lord's family"

*Matilda & Phineas Allison
Ella Reason*

HASHTAG GOOD NEWS

"Good News in a nutshell,
Cosmos in a Hashtag"

Almost six million people were reached by the Church of England's (@c_of_e) Easter 2013 Twitter campaign. Recently released figures from Twitter showed a cumulative reach of 5.8m users from the 8,527 tweets sent over the Easter period, from Good Friday to Easter Day, using the hashtag #EverythingChanges. Devised by the Church of England's Communications office with a group of Christian tweeters and bloggers, the aim of the campaign sought to highlight the Christian meaning of Easter on the social media network. Tweets were sent from across the country with a marked tone of solemnity and sorrow in tweets on Good Friday and peaking on Easter Day with tweets celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ racing the digital world in these campaigns."

The Rt. Revd Dr. Graham Kings, Bishop of Sherborne (@BishopSherborne) said: "#everythingchanges focuses the vast scope of the cross and resurrection. It is more than Jesus being killed and raised, or my whole life being changed. It is as big as the whole universe beginning to be transformed. Good news in a nutshell. Cosmos in a hashtag."

VEN NORMAN RUSSELL

Norman writes, "As you know, a farewell service was arranged for me on Sunday 12th May at Reading Minster. I was humbled by the number of friends and well-wishers from across the Archdeaconry who were present and even more humbled by the very generous farewell present as I prepare for retirement. In the nature of things, I do not know who to thank – I guess a number of individuals and a good number of PCCs, so I would be very grateful if you could help me by expressing my gratitude in whatever way is appropriate for your parish(es). It has been a great privilege to have been the Archdeacon of Berkshire for the past fifteen years and to have worked with so many Christian communities and so many wonderful people. Very best wishes, Norman."

HARWELL LADIES' GROUP

Tuesday 18th June 7:30pm. Harwell Ladies' Group - 'Garden Meeting' with a Bring & Share supper— Bring & Buy Stall at 'Dromore', Townsend, Harwell

EVERGREENS SERVICE

On Thursday 20th June at 2:30pm there will be an Evergreens Combined Service at St Matthew's Church followed by 'A 'Summer Party' with musical entertainment at St Matthew's Church Hall

FAIRTRADE STALL

Sunday 2nd June after the 'All Age Worship' service at 11am in St. Matthew's Church there will be a stall selling 'Fairtrade' produce.

MISSION PARTNER NEWS ARUA, UGANDA

That was the week, that was!

Dear Friends, It is high time we wrote to you. We would love to write much more frequently, but like many people we get so involved with day to day living in the community that communication slips. We have been involved in funerals, weddings, lots of office meetings, wounded people needing a lot of support, love and time and lots of early-rainy-season-farming stuff both in Arua and out and about, visiting clinics. A busy few months since we were with you! The frosts, apples, cheese and worship a distant memory!

Since our return, our belief in the importance of cross cultural mission has strengthened. Slow, humble, small, gentle steps of Gospel love across cultural divisions are a vital and integral part of the saving Gospel of Jesus. Farming gives David opportunities to challenge and inspire new ways of applying principles to care for and use the land. Interaction with mums and rural women gives opportunities for Heather to apply the wisdom and compassion of the Gospel to the life of beautiful but confused people. Together we have so many opportunities to live the gospel of love.

This past week has been classic! We shed tears with neighbours, danced at a wedding, tolerated hours of meetings, enjoyed planting seed in the early rains, hosted a hurting colleague from South Sudan, enjoyed the sparks of shared knowledge at a farmer's training, enjoyed new life coming into the world, and relaxed over supper with an Irish doctor working in Arua Hospital. What a rich tapestry of life in a few days!

God bless from David and Heather Sharland

HARWELL SCHOOL FAIR

Saturday June 29th 1 - 3pm

All the usual school summer fair attractions - tombolas, books, bouncy castle, teas, ice cream, candy floss, pop corn, stocks, penalty shoot out etc. BBQ run by and on behalf of Little Pippins. No entry fee. Grand Summer Raffle to be drawn at the end of the Fair

UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

Didcot and District University of the Third Age meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 2pm at Didcot Civic Hall. Visitors are welcome to come to one meeting as a taster before joining. The June meeting will be held at 2pm on Tuesday 18th June at Didcot Civic Hall. The topic will be Butterflies and orchids of the Upper Thames Valley. Didcot & District U3A aims to encourage and enable older people in Didcot and District who are no longer in fulltime paid employment to help each other to share their knowledge, skills, interests and experience. We have already set up over 20 interest groups including wine appreciation, science & maths, play reading, creative writing, walking, knitting, bridge, crafts, books, poetry, singing, badminton, photography and five languages. There's something for everyone! Tel: 07804159993 Email: didcotdistrictU3A@virginmedia.com Website: <http://u3asites.org.uk/didcot>

Please submit noticesheet items to Carolyn 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 Ridgeway Broadsheet items is the 2nd Wednesday of the month.