

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.

26TH MARCH

Mothing Sunday

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

9:30am All Age Worship at All Saints'

11:00am All Age 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

2ND APRIL

Fifth Sunday of Lent

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

9:30am Morning Worship at All Saints'

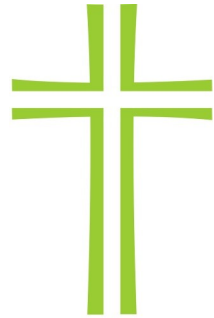
11:00am Morning Worship at St Matthew's

6:15pm Evening Prayer at St Matthew's

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

DIDCOT FOOD BANK

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 St Matthew's Church in the vestry every Sunday for donations. Donations can also be left at All Saints' Church. Thank you for your support.
Mel & Margaret Gibson.



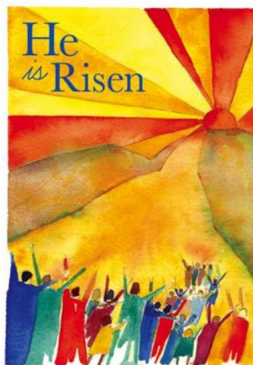
ALPHA

We are planning to run another Alpha course. Please contact Jonathan, Pam, Peter or Vicky if you'd like more information.

Alpha.org has lots of life stories and short videos to help explain what Alpha is.



EASTER



Easter is nearly upon us! We have a some special services in our churches during Holy Week, to which you would be very welcome to attend. Come along and mark the last supper on Maundy Thursday, come to the Cross on Good Friday, hold the Vigil on Saturday evening and CELEBRATE on Sunday morning! Easter cards will be ready to deliver next week. Thank you to all our Ridgeway Broadsheet deliverers who regularly deliver the Broadsheet and Christmas and Easter cards around Harwell and Chilton.

ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION

The Electoral Rolls for St Matthew's Harwell and All Saints' Chilton are being revised in the period 19th March to 2nd April 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 (form E2 (SG1)) may be obtained from the table at the back of church and completed forms should be placed in the wall box 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. For both churches forms should be returned no later than Sunday, 2nd April.

Our Annual Meetings will be held at 10.20am on Sunday 23rd April at All Saints' and at 11.50am on Sunday 30th April at St Matthew's.

GENERATION TO GENERATION

CFW Numbers 16th—22nd March

Y Club 10; KC 12; Pathfinders 5; YF 12

Fledgelings 28 adults; 33 children

There were 13 volunteers who generously gave 33 hours of their time to serve the children and the families in our parishes last week.

Wisdom House:

"The Wisdom House was amazing and really made me think about how we can deal with life situations differently." Fledgelings Mum



"People were moved to tears as they listened to things relevant to their own lives. Impressed by how much Care for the Family does." Visitor to the event from Chilton

A car-full from Fledgelings went along to the Care for the Family event in Oxford last week. They came back encouraged & inspired about how to deal best with families, relationships & life's difficult circumstances. Care for the Family have a wealth of great resources, holidays & services all designed to help strengthen & support you, your marriage, your parenting and your family life. Go and browse their website: careforthefamily.org.uk

Verse of the Week:

My son obey your father's command and don't neglect your mother's instruction. Keep their words always in your heart. Tie them around your neck. Proverbs 6:20-21

Cheers!:

"I am writing on behalf of all the lucky staff in receipt of one of the very lovely Costa gift cards. Please pass on our appreciation to your parishioners and especially those that were in the congregation and made such generous donations."



Mrs North, Chilton Primary.

We have received similar messages from other recipients.

FAMILY SCIENCE

Join us for our next Family Science Club at St Matthew's Church Hall on **Friday 31st March, 4.30pm.**

We'll be seeing how the grass seed has grown since our last meeting, and trying to turn ice into water.

We'll also be thinking about the transformation that took place when Jesus was raised from the dead.



DRIVING?

If you're looking for some extra income or even a full-time job, speak to Peter Shields about the opportunity to become a Sainsbury's delivery driver. They have vacancies that need filling urgently but aren't currently advertised elsewhere.

COMEDY NIGHT

Didcot Ridgeway Church are organising a comedy night at Didcot Civic Hall on the 22nd of April 6pm-9pm. It will be an evening with music, poems and comedy with a Christian comedian called Mark Palmer. See HCChurches.org/news

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 2nd 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 Upper Farm Road, Chilton and South Drive, Harwell
- The Barnabas Fund - Christians in India where a local mob recently interrupted a church service. See barnabasfund.org for more details
- Two Sudanese pastors and a Czech missionary who have received long prison sentences. Please pray for the European Union Special Envoy for the Promotion of Freedom of Religion who are calling for their release
- 2017 Holiday Club preparations

Collect for The Fourth Sunday of Lent

Merciful Lord, absolve your people from their offences, that through your bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the chains of those sins which by our frailty we have committed; grant this, heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour, 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.