

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.

#### 7TH MAY

# 4th Sunday of Easter

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Matthew's 9:30am Family Service at All Saints' 11:00am Morning Worship at St Matthew's 6:15pm Evening Prayer 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

#### 14TH MAY

# 5th Sunday of Easter

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at All Saints' 9:30am Morning Worship at All Saints' 11:00am Morning Worship 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



# CONTACTS

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

St Matthew's Harwell with All Saints' Chilton

#### BLESSING

During the 9:30 service at All Saints' on Sunday 14th May, Hazel & Richard will be having a blessing following their wedding on 6th May.

They would be very pleased if members of the congregation would join them at the blessing and afterwards for prosecco and wedding cake in Chilton Village Hall.

#### CHRISTIAN AID

Christian Aid Week will be from Sunday 14th May to Saturday 20th May. The event starts in Chilton with the Plant Sale in Chilton Village Hall on Saturday 13th May, organised by All Saints' Women's Group.

We have a number of volunteers who deliver donation envelopes to houses in Chilton and collect them a few days later. Some of our deliverers have moved away from Chilton, so we need some more volunteers. Also we need some more volunteers to deliver to roads on Chilton Field. Every little helps - even if you are able to deliver and collect from just a few houses.

If you are interested in delivering/collecting donation envelopes in Chilton, please contact Hazel King on hazel.king@btopenworld.com or 01235 821714.

#### A BIG THANK YOU

I would like to give a big thank you to you all for helping me as my time as Churchwarden at St. Matthew's. I have enjoyed my last 5 years in the role and made many friends and had challenging and difficult situations to overcome but it has been very worthwhile. I would like to wish Tim Paget all the best as the new Churchwarden as many changes at our church are going to happen in the future.

Mel Gibson

## RIDE AND STRIDE CO-ORDINATOR

#### Co--ordinator needed for Chilton and Harwell

The Oxfordshire Historical Churches Trust sponsored event takes place on the second Saturday in September. People can walk or cycle to churches in the Oxford Diocese and receive sponsorship. Half the money goes to the Charity which supports projects in churches; both churches have received grants in the past such as for the All Saints' bell restoration project. The other half goes to a church that the participant nominates.

The co-ordinator will receive a pack from the OHCT containing posters, publicity ideas and sponsor forms. The event needs to be advertised in July/August and sponsor forms given to those wishing to take part. On the day the church needs to be set up to receive visitors with cold drinks and biscuits available. Afterwards the co-ordinator collects in the money that the participants have gathered in from their sponsors and banks it. For further information please contact Naomi or Vicky.

#### 13TH MAY



#### JOURNEYING TOETHER

You are invited to join us for a morning at Chilton Village Hall on Saturday 20th May to think about how we can care for one another.



Please see the poster on the church

noticeboard or HCChurches.org/news or contact Vicky by email office@harwellandchiltonchurches.org.uk or phone 01235 834256.

#### GENERATION 2 GENERATION

# CFW Numbers 27 April - 3 May

Pebbles 8; Kids Church 11; Pathfinders 8; YF 11 Fledgelings 16 adults + 16 children (no group on Bank Holiday Monday)

Y Club n/a (restarts this coming week)

Thank you to the 10 people who volunteered 24 hours of their time to serve the children & families.



**Holiday Club** is now receiving registrations. In less than 24 hours of the enrolment site going live we have had 94 children register! Our reputation for putting on a top quality program is growing. If you'd like to be part of the team that makes it happen then Peter Shields or Jane Woolley would love to hear from you.

PrayerSpaces are being hosted at Harwell Primary School and in All Saints' Church in just over a month. Please let Peter know if you'd like to be involved in this popular & significant event in the life our parishes.



# WOMEN'S SOCIAL

Ladies are invited to join us for a social evening on Thursday, 11th May. Please contact Vicky Johnston or Esther Corbishley for more information.

#### CAP PRAYER MEETING

There will be an annual prayer meeting for CAP in the Wallingford and Didcot area this evening, 7th May at 6pm at St Mary's Cholsey. All very welcome to attend.



#### SEASIDE

The seaside trip will now be on Saturday, 9th September. Please keep the date, and watch this space!



# EVERGREENS COFFEE MORNING

A grand £172.75 was made at the Evergreens coffee morning on 22nd April. Thank you to everyone who supported us.

## 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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# PRAYER FOCUS

"...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
- Those who live in Diamond Way in Chilton and in The Holloway, Harwell
- CPAS our May Mission focus.
- Revd Hassan and Mr Abdumawla who are imprisoned in Sudan. Please pray for the European Union Special Envoy for the Promotion of Freedom of Religion who are calling for their release. Give thanks that Mr Jašek who had been sentenced, has been pardoned and allowed to return to his family.
- 2017 Holiday Club preparations

# Collect for 4th Sunday of Easter

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he 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.