

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, and for which there is no charge! 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. You may also like to register on our website: <http://HCChurches.org>

SUNDAY 29TH APRIL

5th Sunday of Easter

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

9:30am Holy Communion at All Saints'

11:00am Morning Worship at St Matthew's
followed by Annual Church Meetings at 11.50am

6:15pm Evening Prayer at All Saints'

Youth Fellowship at St Matthew's Church Hall
7-8.30pm for 11-18 year olds

SUNDAY 6TH MAY

6th Sunday of Easter

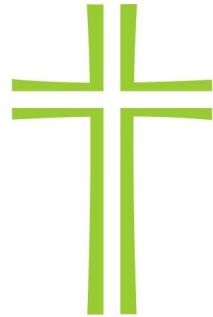
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If you would like to
talk with the Rector
about any matter, please
contact Jonathan directly,
or via the Church Office

St Matthew's Harwell
with All Saints' Chilton

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who sponsored me for the walk in aid of BeSpace which runs Prayer Spaces in Schools. A small team of us walked around Didcot in the beautiful sunshine last Saturday morning, clocking up 6.5 miles and praying for 28 schools in the local area, including Harwell and Chilton. It was wonderful to be part of such a prayer team supporting such an excellent cause. My sponsorship totalled £199.20 with almost half of this gift-aided. There were 14 teams walking in different parts of the county and the total sum should reach, if not exceed, the target figure of £8,000. Thank you again. Pam Rolls.



CAP PRAYER MEETINGS

Every 2nd and 4th Fridays there is a CAP prayer meeting at St Matthew's at 9.15am. All very welcome to join us. We are meeting on 27th April, 11th and 25th May.



HARWELL FEAST HELP & CAKES NEEDED!



Volunteers needed to staff Harwell Feast (& to bake cakes)

Harwell Feast is on Monday 28 May. Once again, St Matthew's has agreed to find volunteers to help staff the Harwell Feast. We do this an act

of loving service to the community - all proceeds go to the Feast fund. The Feast Committee really rely on our contribution.

This time we are having a change from staffing the Feast BBQ. Instead we will assisting with 2 other tasks: (i) serving teas, coffees, homemade cakes and filled rolls from the pavilion hatch and (ii) directing stallholders to their pitch.

If you can volunteer for a 1 hour shift sometime between 7am & 4pm on 28 May, or if you could bake a cake for our volunteers to serve –

either for the Feast on Mon 28 May or for the church Songs of Praise event the evening before, please contact Jane Woolley on 01235 221 030 or janemn.woolley@hotmail.co.uk. We need all the help we can get, so please do not assume that someone else will do it – we need you!

Songs
of Praise

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Christian Aid Week will be from Sunday 13th May to Saturday 19th May.

We need volunteers to deliver to roads on Chilton Field as well as in the old part of Chilton village.

If you are interested in delivering/collecting donation envelopes, please contact Hazel Benton on hazel.benton@btinternet.com or 01235 821714.

ALPHA ON MONDAYS

Alpha runs on Mondays at 7.30pm at Chilton Village Hall, IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN US! The course is a great way to explore Christianity with some very well presented films and group discussion. Please speak to Jonathan, Pam, Sarah or Melanie if you are interested, or email vj.HCChurches@gmail.com

See www.alpha.org



THY KINGDOM COME

"Thy Kingdom Come" is running as a global prayer initiative from Ascension Day on 10th May until Pentecost on 20th May.

The website is www.thykingdomcome.global

There are resources on the website for the Church, for families, for individuals, for groups. Please do have a look. Please contact Jean Barton (01235 861117) if you can't access the website.

We shall also be arranging prayer stations in our Churches on 19th & 20th May. If you can help with this, please contact Hazel Connelly (hazel.connelly@btinternet.com), Jean Barton or Pam Rolls (pamrolls@tiscali.co.uk).

More information found online HCChurches.org/news

FLEDGELINGS

St Matthew's and All Saints' Churches will be hosting a stall at the Harwell Feast (Monday May 28th, 11-5) and at Chilton Family Fun Day (Saturday June 9th 12-5). This will include planting sunflowers, a craft, a display of the groups at church and a prayer tree. The idea is that we showcase the wonderful things we do in our churches and be a fun and welcoming presence at these village events.

We would love volunteers to support us with this, and give some time to help manage this on the day. If you would be interested in supporting us could you please contact me at SB.HCChurches@gmail.com. Many thanks, Sarah.

PENTECOST PRAISE

SAVE THE DATE! We have a special Churches Together Pentecost Praise service at St Matthew's Church Harwell on Sunday 20th May at 6pm.



THANK YOU

We have received a thank you from Homeless Oxfordshire for all the donations of clothes, food, bedding and toiletries that we have provided.

If you would like to donate items for Homeless Oxfordshire, please leave suitable items in the box by the entrance to All Saints' Chilton.



homelessoxfordshire.uk

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>

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...

- Those who live in Seven Road in Chilton, and in The Willows in Harwell
- For Didcot & Wallingford Area CAP Debt Centre
- Comfort for people who are hurting because a loved one has died, especially the family and friends of Nicola Barclay-Watt, Pauline Fleet, Michael Morrow, Mary Perry & Ronald Haley
- The work of Pioneers & Christine Perkins
 - Pray for Pastor Hassan and Abdel Moniem and their families as they seek permanent residency in the US and for guidance to know what God would have them do next.
 - Pray for South Sudan and the Christians living there where churches are being demolished in shanty towns
 - Pray for the work of Pioneers and for Christine as she seeks to support missionaries

Don't forget our regular prayer meetings each Saturday morning at 8.30am both at All Saints' Chilton and St Matthew's Harwell.

Collect for 5th Sunday of Easter

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen 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>

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