

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 6TH MAY

6th Sunday of Easter

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

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

SUNDAY 13TH MAY

7th Sunday of Easter

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

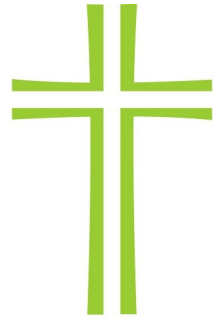
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Thy Kingdom Come starts Thursday 10th May and runs until Sunday 20th May

Come along to All Saints' and St Matthew's for special prayer activities on 19th & 20th May



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If you would like to
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St Matthew's Harwell
with All Saints' Chilton

PLANT & BOOK SALE

All Saints' Chilton Women's Group

Grand Book and Plant Sale and Coffee Morning

on
Saturday 12th May
10am to 12pm
at
Chilton Village Hall



Home produce Coffee Cakes Books
Proceeds to **Christian aid**



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SERVICE FOR NICOLA

It is with great sadness that we share the news that Nicola Barclay-Watt died last week whilst in Scotland. There will be a service on Friday 11th May at 12.30pm at St Matthew's, followed by refreshments at Harwell Village Hall. All very welcome. Please wear a splash of colour.

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. Meetings in May are on Fridays 11th and 25th.



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

SUMMER SERMON TOPICS

During the summer months we are giving everyone the opportunity to request sermons on specific topics or parts of the Bible that they would like to hear more about. Over the next three weeks, we are inviting people to respond online with their requests/ideas (with the option of doing so anonymously!), or else by leaving a slip of paper in one of the wall safes.

<http://HCChurches.org/sermonrequest>

We would also encourage people to take the opportunity to comment more generally on what they find helpful in the Sunday preaching, what is not so helpful, what they would like more of, etc.

JOHN ABU BAKKER

Please pray for John Abu Bakker especially during May as our Mission focus.

John and his wife Lily have opened a Mission school at Jolarpet, (Tamil Nadu province), for underprivileged children, as well as a hostel for the children of missionaries.



PRAYER SPACE

Prayer at the fayre? Yes, a prayer space at the Didcot Town Fayre, 4th August noon to late in Edmonds Park!

Can you help? People from local churches are needed to be alongside staff from BeSpace, the local Oxfordshire charity providing the activities.

Who to contact? Malcolm Edge from Fleet Meadow, who is coordinating the response. E-mail preferred to mk.edge@gmail.com



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.

Please donate empty toilet roll holders for this event - boxes available at both churches. Thank you!

ASCENSION DAY

Please note that the Ascension Day Service on Thursday 10th May, 7.45pm is at All Saints' Chilton. All welcome.

THY KINGDOM COME

Join us in praying for God's Kingdom to come here on earth between Ascension Day and Pentecost. (10th - 20th May).

See HCChurches.org/news for more information.



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. See HCChurches.org/news.

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 South Row in Chilton, and in Townsend in Harwell
- For Didcot & Wallingford Area CAP Debt Centre
- John Abu Bakker & his wife Lily as they run a mission school for underprivileged children in India.
- 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, Diana Bevan, Val Bosely & Ronald Haley
- Those being baptised and their families including Hamish Robertson, Jack Mortimer and April & Dylan Collins

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 6th Sunday of Easter

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our 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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