

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 15TH JULY

7th Sunday after Trinity

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

9:30am Holy Communion at All Saints'

11:00am Holy Communion at St Matthew's

6:15pm Evening Prayer (BCP) at St Matthew's

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

SUNDAY 22ND JULY

8th Sunday after Trinity

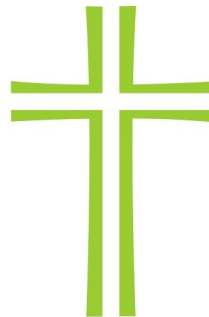
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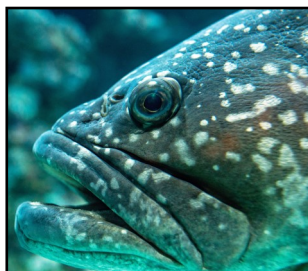
Mon/Tue/Thu/Fri 9.30-2.30

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

JONAH 2:6A-9

But you, Lord my God, brought my life up from the pit. When my life was ebbing away, I remembered you, Lord, and my prayer rose to you, to your holy temple. Those who cling to worthless idols turn away from God's love for them. But I, with shouts of grateful praise, will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. I will say, 'Salvation comes from the Lord.'



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.

ST MATTHEW'S HEATING

The PCC has recently re-considered options for improving the heating in St. Matthew's. The economic case for changing to a gas or electric central heating system with radiators around the walls has weakened since the last assessment in July 2016, mainly because of the increased capital cost of the electric system that we favoured two years ago. The estimates of likely running costs have also increased, especially if the church is to be used more than it is now.



The PCC has therefore decided to continue to use the existing radiant heating system for the time being, but to replace some of the older

(occasionally failing) heaters with new ones that should be more efficient. Over the next two years the PCC will also consult on the case for a new central heating system and keep the economic costs under review. The price of electricity and gas, as everyone knows, can be unpredictable, and in the case of electricity the 'greening' of the electrical supply system may shift costs and environmental issues. Some work will also be done over this period to see what limited prospects there might be to reduce the heat losses from the large volume of air in the building and hence improve the effectiveness of any heating system.

If this all results in a clearer case for a new heating system then funding will need to be raised to add to what can be available from the PCC's designated reserves. The capital cost of a central heating system would almost certainly now be over £50,000.

If you have any questions please ask any member of the PCC's heating working group: Scott Cockburn, Hazel Connolly, Martin Gibson, Tony Hughes and David Pyke.

SCIENCE & RELIGION

Science & Religion Lecture. A talk by Professor Chris Cook, Director of Project for Spirituality, Theology & Health, Durham University will talk about Science, Faith & Questions of Sexuality and Gender on 25th July 7.30pm at Dorchester Abbey.

CAP MONEY

You don't have to have money worries to get something out of a CAP Money Course...

and we're holding one in St Matthew's starting on Monday 8th August at 7.30pm.



Learn nifty ways to approach your finances to budget, save and spend. The three-week course is free, friendly and entirely confidential - there's no need to share anything unless you'd like to. Sessions follow on 15th and 29th August

Contact Vicky in the office to book. And please spread the word to anyone you think could benefit.

www.CAPUK.org

ALPHA

Our summer Alpha course has now finished. If you would like to attend an Alpha course please let Vicky in the office know.



PYRAMID ROCK



For Holiday Club this year we want to transform Harwell School hall into Ancient Egypt. We'd love to have

some sphinxes, sarcophagi, obelisks, palm trees...

We're planning to make these from very large pieces of cardboard and/or thin plywood sheets (the kind that large pieces of furniture often come packed in) at our Holiday Club planning, prep and make day on 21st July. If you have anything that we could use, please get in touch and we can arrange to collect it from you.

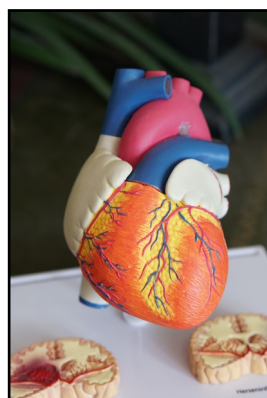
If you have anything else on the Egyptian theme we could use to "dress" the hall (or ourselves!) please also get in touch.

We look forward to seeing many of you on Saturday 21st July... 9.45am-12 at Harwell School, 12-1.30pm bring your own picnic lunch at St Matthew's, 1.30-4pm Backdrop, prop and craft making and preparation at St Matthew's Church Hall.

SUMMER EVENTS

Join Harwell Evergreens this week on Thursday 18th July, 2.30pm at St Matthew's Church Hall. Keith Johnston will be talking about Cardiology and pacemakers.

Homemade cakes and biscuits will on offer after the talk along with tea and coffee. Contact Gill 831592



GENERATION GOLD

Our next Generation Gold service will take place on Monday 10 September at 2.30pm at All Saints' Chilton but, in between we are going to have some time together on Monday 6 August at Chilton Village Hall when we are going to remember days at the beach. To find out more or book a place on this day (which is free of charge) please contact Pam Rolls 834475, pamrolls@tiscali.co.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 Upper Farm Road in Chilton, and in Barrow Road in Harwell
- For Didcot & Wallingford Area CAP Debt Centre
- Holiday Club! For the team as they meet on Saturday for training and preparation
- Holiday Club Dens Hippo's, Camels & Pyramids (years 1 & 2)
- Those who read and those who prepare and lead the intercessions in our Sunday services
- The farmers and farm workers in the Parishes
- Help to hear God's word through the Scriptures
- Senior Leadership Team as they meet on Tuesday evening to plan the autumn term
- Evergreens as they meet on Thursday

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

Collect for 7th Sunday after Trinity

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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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