

# 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://HCCchurches.org>

## SUNDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

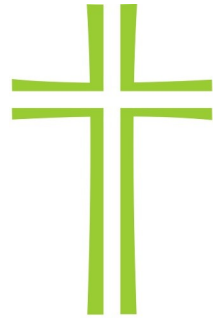
### 2nd Sunday before Advent

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 25TH NOVEMBER

### Sunday before Advent

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at All Saints'  
9:30am Morning Worship at All Saints'  
11:00am Morning Worship at St Matthew's  
6:15pm Holy Communion at St Matthew's  
Youth Fellowship at St Matthew's Church Hall  
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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

## 1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-29

<sup>23</sup>For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, <sup>24</sup>and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." <sup>25</sup>In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." <sup>26</sup>For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

<sup>27</sup>So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. <sup>28</sup>Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. <sup>29</sup>For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves.

## 25TH NOVEMBER

Next Sunday join us for our main morning services to remember and give thanks for family members and other loved ones who have died in recent years.  
9.30am Chilton & 11am Harwell.

## 2019 HOLIDAY CLUB

We are pleased to announce the Holiday Club dates for 2019 which will be **Monday 29th July - Friday 2nd August at Harwell Primary School.**

This year we had 126 children attend Pyramid Rock, and a whopping 70 plus helpers!

If you would like to help, for any part of the club, please contact Sarah Barrett. We need afternoon activity leaders, den leaders, den assistants, prayers, refreshment servers, projectionist, offers of cakes and biscuits... email [SB.HCChurches@gmail.com](mailto:SB.HCChurches@gmail.com)

There is a great sense of team work at Holiday Club each year - don't miss out!

## SERMON NOTES



- **We are obeying Jesus' command.** Jesus told his followers 'This is my body which is for you, do this in remembrance of me'. (1 Cor 11: 24)
- **We are remembering Christ and all that he has done for us in his life, death and resurrection** (v24)
- **Our communion services give us a real opportunity to examine ourselves** (v28)
- **We are making a statement of faith** 'for whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes' (v26)
- **We are participating in the body of Christ, the Church** 'Because there is one loaf, we who are many, are one body, for we all share the one loaf' (1 Cor 10:16-17).

## ST MATTHEW'S TOWER



For many years at Christmas the tower has been adorned with a brightly lit cross and Christmas Tree, spreading good cheer across the village. In recent years the tower has also been floodlit. This year the church 'heavy gang' will put everything up, including the tree inside the church, on 1st December.

This year though you may have noticed that the tower is embraced by scaffolding. This is

because just under a year ago it was noticed that some of the rendering on the west wall (the one with the clock) was beginning to detach, so it needed investigation and repair. It has taken quite a long time to organize and get approval for this work, and now that it is underway removal of the rendering has exposed the need for more repairs to the underlying stonework than we could have anticipated. Until this is done bell ringing has been curtailed as a precaution against further damage. The tower is not only the tallest landmark in Harwell, but also one of the oldest, having been built almost 800 years ago. So it is not surprising that it needs some occasional 'TLC'.

This though is expensive and the extra work will not only take longer than we hoped, but also cost more than the £14,500 we were expecting. Every year villagers have been invited to put £2 coins in the church wall safe if they enjoy the Christmas lights, to help pay for the cost. If you can add something towards the cost of the repairs this year that would be a great help. Any donation, large or small would be much appreciated, either put in the wall safe inside the church or, if you need more information, contact the church office on 01235 834256, or the church bookkeeper Nick Clarke on 01235 820760.

## BIBLE READING



There are lots of resources available to help people who wish to read the Bible regularly and

understand and apply what they read. Leaflets detailing some of the Bible reading guides and notes (both printed and online) are available in both churches.

## GENERATION GOLD

Our next Generation Gold service is on Monday **3rd December** at 2.30pm at St Matthew's Harwell. As we prepare for Christmas our theme will be 'Angels' and we would be delighted if you could join us. The service will be followed by light refreshments and an opportunity to socialise with friends old and new. For more information please contact Pam Rolls ([pamrolls@tiscali.co.uk](mailto: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 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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## 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 Newbury Road in Chilton, and in Kings Lane in Harwell
- For Didcot & Wallingford Area CAP Debt Centre
- For those attending the Alpha Course
- Those who keep our churchyards neat and tidy
- Those who read and those who prepare and lead the intercessions in our Sunday services
- The families who have been affected by recent knife crime

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### *Collect for Second Sunday before Advent*

*Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he 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>