

# 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.

## SUNDAY 14TH APRIL

### Palm Sunday

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at All Saints'  
9:00am Pebbles Family Service at Chilton Village Hall  
9:30am Morning Prayer (BCP) at All Saints'  
11:00am Morning Worship at St Matthew's  
No Youth Fellowship until 28th April

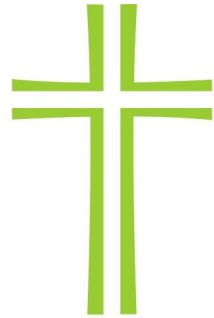
## HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thu 7.45pm Holy Communion, All Saints'  
Good Friday 8.30am Procession from Chilton Field  
Good Friday 9.30am 'At the Cross', All Saints'  
Good Friday 11.00am 'At the Cross', St Matthew's  
Easter Sat 8.00pm Evening Vigil, All Saints'

## SUNDAY 21ST APRIL

### Easter Day

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Matthew's  
9:30am All Age Communion at All Saints'  
11:00am All Age Communion at St Matthew's  
6:15pm Evening Prayer (BCP) at St Matthew's  
No Youth Fellowship until 28th April



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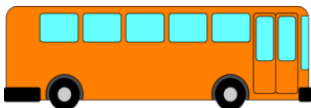
If you would like to  
talk with the Rector  
about any matter, please  
contact Jonathan directly,  
or via the Church Office

St Matthew's Harwell  
with All Saints' Chilton

## EVERGREENS

Harwell Evergreens meet on Thursday 18th April at St Matthew's Church Hall, 2.30pm. Jennie Maxwell will be speaking on 'The Big Orange Bus'.

Talk followed by light refreshments.



## ZECH 9:9

*Rejoice greatly,  
Daughter Zion!  
Shout, Daughter  
Jerusalem! See, your  
king comes to you,  
righteous and  
victorious, lowly and  
riding on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of  
a donkey.*



## FLEDGELINGS

Did you know shaving foam and paint could make such beautiful Easter cards? We discovered at Fledgelings last week that it can! We also had a fun Easter egg hunt at all 3 sessions with dry weather just when we needed it.



Fledgelings has finished until after the Easter holidays now, but when we start back we still need someone to help make drinks on Wednesday afternoons. Please speak to Melanie or Sarah if you can help.

## EASTER STORY TRAIL

# Easter Story Trail

**Participate** - We're running an Easter Story Trail again this year and would love you to follow the story. Pick up a map and take a note of the clues as you find each poster during Holy week, Sunday 14th to Saturday 20th April.

**Prizes** - During the Easter Sunday services we'll be drawing the names of those who have completed the trail from a hat and presenting eggs to the winners!

**Pray** - Pray that people in our villages will engage with the Trail and be reminded of the true reason for Easter.

Please see our website [www.HCChurches.org/Easter](http://www.HCChurches.org/Easter) for more details.



## LUKE

See Facebook and website. [www.facebook.com/HCChurches](http://www.facebook.com/HCChurches) and [www.HCChurches.org/news](http://www.HCChurches.org/news) for thoughts about a chapter of Luke as we read through the gospel each week, or pick up a paper copy from the back of All Saints' and St Matthew's.

## HOLY WEEK



If you don't have one of our Easter cards - please pick one up today, or see our website for details of our Easter services.

We would love to welcome you along to our services during Holy Week - the lead up to Easter Sunday.

We would encourage as many as possible to join in with the full range of Easter Services. We cannot be Easter people if we are not first Good Friday and Holy Saturday people!

### **Maundy Thursday**

This celebration of Holy Communion links back to the Last Supper of our Lord at which he washes his disciples' feet as a graphic illustration of what he is about to do for them. It leads into the Garden of Gethsemane, his arrest and trial.

### **Good Friday Service**

Join with us to share the silence that is a significant part of this reflective service. Come and stand by the wood of the cross on which our Saviour hung and died. It is not a day for many words. Better to give a little time for quiet reflection.

### **Holy Saturday Vigil**

Come and share with us 'Light in the Dark'; it's a time for candlelight and readings. The light for the Easter Candle is taken from a newly kindled fire and we will all stand around it at the beginning of the service. It's both a time of silence and a time of great rejoicing and singing as Easter is announced.

It's a time to follow The Easter Acclamation with bells and music. Holy Saturday Evening gives us a particular kind of space if we are prepared to take it, amidst what is often a busy weekend.

### **Easter Sunday**

On this most joyful of days, we celebrate our Lord's victory over sin and death with a service of Holy Communion for the whole church family, and always have a good number of visitors. Celebrate the most joyful day of the Church calendar.

## PORCH DOOR



Please pick up a leaflet in St Matthew's about a new inner porch door for St

Matthew's Church Harwell. We'd really like to know your thoughts! You can find out more and leave feedback on our website: [www.HCChurches.org/porchproject](http://www.HCChurches.org/porchproject)

Or contact Jonathan Mobey, David Pyke, Rebecca Lewis, Michelle Walker or Tony Hughes.

## PARISH GIVING

Please consider using the Parish Giving Scheme for your giving to our churches. It is safe, flexible, reduces administration, and improves cashflow. Further info and forms available at the back of church, along with a new giving leaflet.



PARISH GIVING SCHEME

## OFFICE HOURS

The Church Office will be closed on Thursday and Friday this week and Easter Monday. Back to normal office hours from Tuesday 23rd April.

## 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 Elderfield Crescent in Chilton, and in Wantage Road in Harwell
- For Frankie-Rae and Emilia-Grace and their families as we thank God for them
- For Didcot & Wallingford Area CAP Debt Centre
- Those attending the Alpha Course
- For our Queen & Government
- For the people of Yemen
- For Nigerian teenager Leah Sharibu and humanitarian worker Alice Ngaddah, who Boko Haram say they are keeping as 'slaves for life' ([www.csw.org.uk/prayforleah](http://www.csw.org.uk/prayforleah))
- For ourselves to hear God's voice speaking to us as we read through the gospel of Luke
- For the Holiday Club plans, and for those who will be attending
- For Christine Perkins and the work of Pioneers

### *Collect for Palm Sunday*

*Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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>