

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. 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.



# 27th March - Easter Sunday

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

9:30am Holy Communion at All Saints'

11:00am Holy Communion at St Matthew's

4.30pm Easter Fiesta, Chilton Field Community Centre

6:15pm Holy Communion at St Matthew's

No Youth Fellowship

### 3RD APRIL — EASTER 2

# 3rd April - Second 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 trip to London

# 10TH APRIL—EASTER 3

# 10th April - Third Sunday of Easter

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

9:30am Morning Worship at All Saints'

11:00am Morning Worship at St Matthew's

Youth Fellowship at St Matthew's Church Hall

6:00-7:15pm for those in school years 7-9

7:00-8:45pm for those in school years 10-13



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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

### LUKE 24:5B-7

"In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: 'The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, be crucified and on the third day be raised again'"

### CRECHE

Since June 2015 we have

been trialling a larger

crèche area in church, so that the smallest members of our congregation can play, whilst their parents can take an active part in the service. The area has been well used by a range of babies, toddlers and young children. We have had some feedback, but would be very interested to hear from other members of our congregation about their thoughts on the new area. Please contact me at christinar.wood@virgin.net or 832169. Thank you Christina Wood



### ALPHA

# "DO I HAVE A PURPOSE?"

"IS THERE MORE TO

LFE THAN THIS2"

**Alpha** 

"IS THIS LIFE?"
"WHAT AM

, GOD?

FIND OUT
ABOUT THE
ALPHA COURSE

We are running an Alpha course in the Harwell RBL Poppy Rooms on Thursday evenings from 14th April.

This is a great opportunity to find out more about Christianity, and get to know others in Harwell and Chilton. The sessions will start with a free meal each week, followed by a video which is being produced as we speak, featuring Gemma Hunt and Toby Flint. There will be an opportunity to discuss the issues raised in the video towards the end of the evening.

The Alpha website has more information, along with some videos from people who have done alpha. www.alpha.org

Book your place by contacting Vicky on 834256 or office@harwellandchiltonchurches.org.uk.

### GODSPELL PERFORMANCE

# Harwell Players present



# Godspell

Saturday 9th April 2.30pm & 7.30pm
St Matthew's Church, Harwell
Tickets £10 Adults, £5 under 16
Available from Bob's Butchers, Harwell
Proceeds to Village Hall Re-development Fund

### CHILDREN & FAMILIES WORK

# CFW Numbers 20th – 26th March

Kids Church - 7: Pathfinders - 6: YF - 6: Y-Club N/A Fledgelings - 31 children + 26 adults

Excluding all the people who have helped with the Easter Trail, there were another 12 people who volunteered 30 hours of their time to serve the Children & Families Work last week.

YF took an impromptu trip to the cinema in Reading to see the newly released film "Risen" - an account of the resurrection from the perspective of the Roman



centurion at the crucifixion. If you get the chance to see it, it received 4 stars out of 5 from YF!

**Egg Rolls!** Chilton Primary invited us in to lead their Easter assembly. Pam Rolls easily beat one of the pupils in our (rigged!) quiz, but graciously gave away her Easter egg prize to the loser and took his place by receiving a raw egg on the head ... egg Rolls! The pupils came away with a very clear & memorable understanding of Jesus' substitutionary atonement on the cross.

# Easter Story Trail



There's still chance to see the wonderful "Stations of The Cross" artwork created by pupils from Harwell & Chilton primary school. The Easter Story Trail will remain open this first week of the school holidays. It's not just for

children. hcchurches.org/eastertrail

Thank you to everyone who has donated Easter eggs & treats for the Easter Story Trail.

# School Club:

Harwell Primary school have given the go-ahead for us to provide an after-school club to the pupils after Easter. What a great opportunity to be salt & light to the children, the school and their families. Can you be part of the team? Whether it's providing refreshments, supervising activities, presenting a story, leading games, visiting families ... there's a part for you to play. Please speak to Peter.

### **PSALM 9.10**



### FOODBANK

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.



### VISITORS' INFO

Children are especially welcome at our services. There are groups for primary aged children in Harwell, and a family area in Chilton with activities for younger children.

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.

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### PRAYER FOCUS

'...in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God' Philippians 4:6

# Please pray for...

- A peaceful solution to the troubles in Iraq, Syria, Ukraine and Gaza
- All those seeking refuge from war-torn countries
- Those who live in Lower Road, Chilton and in Newbury Road, Harwell
- The work of the Barnabas Fund, and particularly the situation in South Sudan where Pastor Hassan is still being detained, but give thanks that Pastor Kwa Shamal has been released
- All those affected by the attacks in Brussels

### LUKE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sun 27 Mar Luke 24.1-12 The Resurrection

Mon 28 Mar Luke 24.13-27 On the Road to Emmaus

Tue 29 Mar Luke 24.28-35 Jesus Revealed at Emmaus

Wed 30 Mar Luke 24.36-53 Jesus' Promise and Ascension

# Collect for Easter Day

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. Amen.

# Collect for 2nd Sunday of Easter

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen