

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.

THIS SUNDAY

9th October - The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity
8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at All Saints'
9:30am Morning Prayer (BCP) at All Saints'
11:00am Morning Worship at St Matthew's
Walking Group 2.30pm - see item inside noticesheet
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

NEXT SUNDAY

16th October - The Twenty First 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
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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

HARWELL CHILTON CHURCHES

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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

CAP MONEY

Our next CAP money course will begin on Saturday 29th October at 10.30am. There will be two more meetings on 5th and 19th November at the same time at St Matthew's Church Harwell.

The course is offered for free and is open to anyone who would like to learn to budget, save and spend well. Contact Vicky on 834256 or book your place at capmoneycourse.org

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED

This ten week course started on Friday, but its not too late to join!

Christianity Explored gives time to think about the big questions of life and explore the life of the person at the heart of the Christian faith—Jesus Christ. It is an engaging video– and discussionbased course that is rooted in Mark's gospel and is an ideal introduction to looking at the Bible with others.

Each Friday there will be an optional meal (served between 5.30pm and 6.30pm, followed by a session start at 7pm, with a break for dessert and coffee.

Everyone welcome, its not too late to join! Please contact Jonathan or Vicky if you are interested.

HARVEST WEEKEND

Thank you to all those who came along to the Barn Dance on 1st October at



Chilton Village Hall. We raised £411.36 for Tearfund, a Christian charity passionate about ending poverty. You can find out more about the Tearfund Harvest appeal on their website: www.tearfund.org.

It was also wonderful to see our churches full of gifts last weekend, and Didcot Food Bank were extremely grateful for all the tins and packets that we were able to donate. We regularly take items down to the Food Bank, so do continue to bring donations for the Food Bank to both our churches. They are especially requesting tinned meat, tinned vegetables, whole UHT milk, biscuits, packet puddings, treats and sugar to help people around Didcot.

HOMEGROUPS

We have a number of homegroups meeting throughout the week in Harwell and Chilton and would love to see more people joining our groups. Homegroups are small groups of people who meet together regularly to read the bible, ask questions, learn from one another and pray.

Morning groups - Tuesdays and Wednesdays Afternoon groups - Wednesdays and Fridays Evening groups - Mondays, Wednesday, Thursdays

Our groups are very happy to welcome new members. We're also looking for some help to look after young children for our Tuesday morning group. For more information please contact Jean Barton on 861117 or jeanvbarton@btinternet.com



GENERATION TO GENERATION

"Generation to generation praises Your works. Your mighty acts they declare" CFW Numbers 29 Sept-5th Oct

Y-Club - 9; YF - 14; Fledgelings - 35 adults + 40 children

There were no other Sunday groups due to the Harvest celebrations. Instead we welcomed 192 children plus 68 members of staff & parents to the Harwell Primary School harvest service; 66 children plus 142 adults (including 16 dignatories from the local authorities) at St Matthew's Harvest parade service; 26 children (including 17 from Chilton Primary School) plus 90 adults at All Saints' Harvest service. Pray that as well as giving thanks for the harvest, many will have been challenged to sample the Bread of Life.

"Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes Jesus"

At least 16 people devoted 34+ hours to welcome the little children last week.

Y-Club: The group is slightly smaller & younger than last term - and the lack of our year 6 boys has certainly been noticeable in the decibel levels! But the children we have are all fascinated by the stories from Samuel, and able to recall them easily. They're enjoying the fantastic themed crafts (thank you Judy Goodall) and eager to join in with the prayers.

Fledgelings: As is the case every September we were sad to lose a number of our regulars as they joined nursery. But as fast as we lose them we see them replaced! It's been great to welcome lots of new parents & their children these last few weeks. This week during the "See & Know" time, we enjoyed



another story Jesus told - The Camel Through The Eye of The Needle - and reminded the children (& parents) that nothing is impossible for God!

YF: Can you beat the current YF high score of 8 on this game >>> www.higherlowergame.com!!! The latest moral dilemmas we've considered have been encountered in real life by the leaders: would you pay a bribe to receive essential medical treatment, or to get your school work marked fairly? We looked at what the Bible says about both paying & receiving bribes ... and why it's not quite as straightforward as you might think!

WALKING GROUP

The Walking group will be **meeting today,** at 2.30pm at Chilton School car park for a 4.5 mile walk.

This is a straight-forward walk suitable for people and dogs of all ages. The terrain is a mixture of grass. gravel, tarmac and concrete, footpaths, roadside and tracks, gentle ups and downs, and no stiles. The route starts in the car park near Chilton School and skirts the Harwell site perimeter fence, passing through the disused water treatment plant and alongside the iconic Dido and Pluto reactor buildings. Total distance is about 4.5 miles. time 2 hours. Meet in the Chilton School parking area at 2.30pm and remember to wear stout shoes and clothes appropriate for the weather. Bring water, too.

See http://HCChurches.org/ walking for dates and times, walking guidelines and other useful info.

BISHOP STEVEN

All are invited to the welcome service at Dorchester Abbey this afternoon at 3.30pm to welcome Bishop Steven to the Diocese.

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

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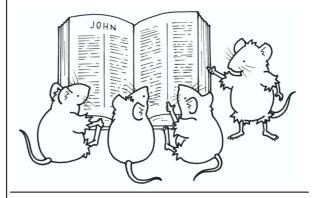


PRAYER FOCUS

'...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 Fieldside, Chilton and in Blenheim Hill, Harwell
- Scripture Union our mission focus for October
- The process of advertising for and appointing a 'Science Ministry Apprentice' (HCChurches.org/sma)
- Bishop Steven, following his inauguration on the 30th September and welcome service in Dorchester Abbey this afternoon
- The two Sudanese Pastors awaiting trial



Collect for the 20th Sunday after Trinity

God, the giver of life, whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; 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.