

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 8TH APRIL

2nd Sunday of Easter

- 8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at All Saints'
- 9:30am Morning Prayer (BCP) at All Saints'
- 9.30am Pebbles Family Service at Chilton Village Hall
- 11:00am Morning Worship at St Matthew's
- 2.30pm Walking Group meet at Chilton Village Hall
- No Youth Fellowship returning on 22nd April

SUNDAY 15TH APRIL

3rd Sunday of Easter

- 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

No Youth Fellowship - returning on 22nd April

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

BESPACE

Sponsored Walk for BeSpace - Walking a mile of prayer for every school in Oxfordshire.

During the week starting April 14th fourteen teams of people will be walking 356 miles across Oxfordshire. Each mile represents a school and each team will be praying for at least 25 schools in the county. This will mean every school will have been prayed for by the end of the week. BeSpace has a target to raise £8,000 to contribute towards increasing its capacity to see every school have reflective prayer spaces for young people to connect with God.

On April 14th Pam Rolls will be joining a team walking around Didcot and praying for all the schools in the area, including our own schools in Harwell and Chilton. If you would like to sponsor Pam, she would be delighted if you would sign her sponsor form. Alternatively, you can donate on BeSpace's website www.bespace.be or by visiting their Facebook page.



CHRISTINE PERKINS

St Matthew's Harwell and All Saints' Chilton have been supporting Christine Perkins for 30 years while she worked as a missionary in South Sudan. Christine returned to the UK in 2017 to take care of her mum, who died in February 2018.

See the back page for a few prayer points, including for Pastor Hassan who is now living in the US with his family.



EASTER TRAIL



Well done to everyone who completed the Easter Story Trail. We hope you enjoyed it! A BIG thank you to everyone who either put up a poster, donated some chocolate and/or prayed for those doing the trail.

Thank you to Sainsburys Didcot who donated lots of chocolate eggs for our prize draw.

If you didn't win an egg, and

haven't yet received a prize, please collect a book or comic that explains the Easter story.

ALPHA DATES



Alpha will run on Mondays at 7.30pm at Chilton Village Hall, starting on 16th April. The course is a great way to explore Christianity with some

very well presented films and group discussion. Please speak to Jonathan, Pam, Sarah or Melanie if you are interested, or email Vicky at vj.HCChurches@gmail.com

See www.alpha.org

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Holiday Club

We're looking not just for "mummies" but also daddies and anyone else to come and help at this years Holiday Club. No previous experience or expertise required, though if you can "walk like an Egyptian" that would be a bonus! May be you think



Holiday Club isn't for you. Don't be in "deNile", we can find a job for you! We need people to be Den Leaders and Assistants, lead sport and craft activities, make refreshments, supervise the playground, preparing things for Holiday Club in advance....many different jobs that we "sphinx" you'll be great at.

Holiday Club is running from the 20th to 24th August this year. Please speak to Sarah, Melanie or Jane Woolley if you think you can help.

WALKING GROUP

All are welcome to join the Walking Group walk TODAY. Meet at Chilton Village Hall carpark at 2.30pm for a 2hour circular walk. More details can be found online at: HCChurches.org/walking



DIDCOT 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.*

MENS CONVENTION

There is a London Men's Convention on 2nd June. This years guest speaker is John Piper. More info from chillwithphill@gmail.com or text 07979 341008.

PARISH GIVING SCHEME

The Parish Giving Scheme is a new way to organise regular, planned giving to All Saints' or St Matthew's and has the advantage of reducing administration and improving cashflow.

Whether or not you already give regularly, please would you consider registering with PGS to support the work of the church? Leaflets are available at the back of church or see HCChurches.org/news Thank you.

ST MATTHEW'S RE-ORDERING

We are delighted that the carpet has now been fitted and we have received the new chairs.

The full cost of the project is £59,000. We have already raised/secured £31,500, and the PCC has underwritten £15,000 from a legacy received, but we still have £12,500 to raise. Would you please consider donating towards this, for example by sponsoring a chair? See separate fundraising leaflet for further information.

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.

N O T I C E S H E E T I T E M S

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...

- Those who live in Newbury Road in Chilton, and in The Holloway in Harwell
- For Didcot & Wallingford Area CAP Debt Centre
- For those caring for the homeless and those in poor housing.
- The work of Pioneers & Christine Perkins
 - Pray for Pastor Hassan and Abdel Moniem and their families as they seek permanent residency in the US and for guidance to know what God would have them do next.
 - Pray for South Sudan and the Christians living there where churches are being demolished in shanty towns
 - Pray for the work of Pioneers and for Christine as she seeks to support missionaries

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.

> 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