

# 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://HCChurches.org>

## SUNDAY 13TH MAY

### 7th 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  
7-8.30pm for 11-18 year olds

## SUNDAY 20TH MAY

### Pentecost (Whit Sunday)

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Matthew's

9:30am Holy Communion at All Saints'

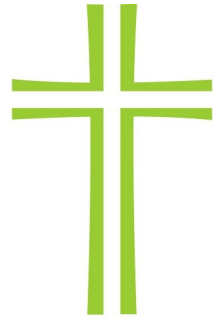
11:00am Holy Communion at St Matthew's

**6:00pm** CTDD Pentecost Praise at St Matthew's

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Thy Kingdom Come starts on Thursday 10th May and runs until Sunday 20th May

Drop in to All Saints' and St Matthew's for special prayer activities on 19th & 20th May



**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

## THY KINGDOM COME

Join us in praying for God's Kingdom to come here on earth between Ascension Day and Pentecost (10th - 20th May).

Join our prayer stations next Saturday & Sunday at both our churches.

See [HCChurches.org/news](http://HCChurches.org/news) for more information.



*Almighty God, your ascended Son has sent us into the world to preach the good news of your kingdom: inspire us with your Spirit and fill our hearts with the fire of your love, that all who hear your Word may be drawn to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## EVERGREENS

Join Harwell Evergreens on Thursday 17th May at 2.30pm at St Matthew's Church Hall.

Mr Copeland will be speaking about the Curiosities of the Cotswolds.

Talk followed by tea, coffee and homemade cake and biscuits. Contact Gill on 831592 for more info.

## HELP & CAKES NEEDED: HARWELL FEAST & SONGS OF PRAISE



Volunteers needed to staff Harwell Feast (& to bake cakes)

Harwell Feast is on Monday 28 May. Once again, St Matthew's has agreed to find volunteers to help staff the Harwell Feast. We do this an act

of loving service to the community - all proceeds go to the Feast fund. The Feast Committee really rely on our contribution.

This time we are having a change from staffing the Feast BBQ. Instead we will assisting with 2 other tasks: (i) serving teas, coffees, homemade cakes and filled rolls from the pavilion hatch and (ii) directing stallholders to their pitch.

If you can volunteer for a one hour shift sometime between 7am & 4pm on 28 May, or if you could bake a cake for our volunteers to serve – either for the Feast

on Mon 28 May or for the church Songs of Praise event the evening before, please contact Jane Woolley on 01235 221 030 or [janemn.woolley@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:janemn.woolley@hotmail.co.uk). We need all the help we can get, so please do not assume that someone else will do it – we need you!

**Songs**  
*of Praise*

## SUMMER SERMON TOPICS

During the summer months we are giving everyone the opportunity to request sermons on specific topics or parts of the Bible that they would like to hear more about. Over the next three weeks, we are inviting people to respond online with their requests/ideas (with the option of doing so anonymously!), or else by leaving a slip of paper in one of the wall safes.

<http://HCChurches.org/sermonrequest>

We would also encourage people to take the opportunity to comment more generally on what they find helpful in the Sunday preaching, what is not so helpful, what they would like more of, etc.

## JOHN ABU BAKKER

Please pray for John Abu Bakker especially during May as our Mission focus.

John and his wife Lily have opened a Mission school at Jolarpet (Tamil Nadu province), for underprivileged children, as well as a hostel for the children of missionaries.



## PENTECOST PRAISE

Churches Together in Didcot and District

# Pentecost Praise

Sunday 20th May 2018 6pm

St Matthew's Church Harwell

Parking available in neighbouring farmyard

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## FEAST & FETE CRAFT

St Matthew's and All Saints' Churches will be hosting a stall at the Harwell Feast (Monday May 28th, 11-5) and at Chilton Family Fun Day (Saturday June 9th 12-5). This will include planting sunflowers, a craft, a display of the groups at church and a prayer tree. The idea is that we showcase the wonderful things we do in our churches and be a fun and welcoming presence at these village events.

We would love volunteers to support us with this, and give some time to help manage this on the day. If you would be interested in supporting us could you please contact me at [SB.HCChurches@gmail.com](mailto:SB.HCChurches@gmail.com). Many thanks, Sarah.

Please donate empty toilet roll holders for this event - boxes available at both churches. Thank you!

## SERVING

We would love to have more people involved in the running of our churches. If you would like to help us with admin, cleaning, coffee, welcoming or something else, please either email the office, or speak to Jonathan, Pam or one of our Church Wardens.

## 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](mailto:chillwithphill@gmail.com) or text 07979 341008.

[www.christianconventions.org.uk/lmc](http://www.christianconventions.org.uk/lmc)

## PARISH GIVING

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](http://HCChurches.org/news) Thank you.



PARISHGIVINGSCHEME

## 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>

## 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 Spa Street in Chilton, and in Tyrrells Close in Harwell
- For Didcot & Wallingford Area CAP Debt Centre
- John Abu Bakker & his wife Lily as they run a mission school for underprivileged children in India
- Comfort for people who are hurting because a loved one has died, especially the family and friends of Nicola Barclay-Watt, Pauline Fleet, Michael Morrow, Mary Perry, Diana Bevan, Ken Messer, Pauline Shepherd, Val Bosely & Ronald Haley
- Those being baptised and their families including Hamish Robertson, Jack Mortimer and April & Dylan Collins

Don't forget our regular prayer meetings each Saturday morning at 8.30am at both All Saints' Chilton and St Matthew's Harwell

### Collect for 7th Sunday of Easter

*O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, 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>

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