

A very warm welcome to you. Whether you are visiting, 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.



#### SUNDAY 1ST MARCH

# The First Sunday of Lent

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Matthew's 9:30am Morning Worship at All Saints' 10.30am Joint CAP service at Didcot Civic Hall 11:00am Morning Worship at St Matthew's 6:15pm Evening Prayer at St Matthew's Youth Fellowship at St Matthew's Church Hall

6.30-8.00pm for 11-18 year olds

## SUNDAY 8TH MARCH

## The Second Sunday of Lent

Holy Communion (BCP) at All Saints' 8:00am 9:00am Pebbles Family Service at Chilton Village Hall

9:30am Morning Worship at All Saints' 11:00am Morning Worship at St Matthew's Youth Fellowship at St Matthew's Church Hall 6.30-8.00pm for 11-18 year olds

### CONTACTS

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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

### EVERDAY FAITH

The Church of England have many resources on their website to help people to live out their faith within their workplace and during their day to day lives. You can find out more through our website HCChurches.org/news.



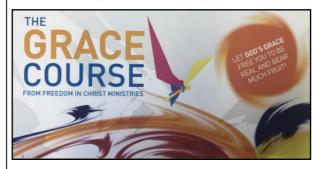
## WOMEN'S SOCIAL

There is a Women's Social on Wednesday 4th March at Yvonne Sanderson's home. Women are invited to pop in for drinks, light refreshments and a chance to get to know others. 7.45 -10pm. Contact Vicky for more info.



#### LENT CENTRAL

Lent Central is six evening meetings 7.30-9.30pm from 27th February at St Matthew's Harwell. We are studying the brilliant 'Grace Course', which combines video input with small group discussion, in a sociable, informal setting. It's not too late to join!



"If you don't first know God's love for you in your heart - not just your head - it's impossible for your life to be motivated by love for Him. Instead you are likely to end up motivated more by guilt or shame or fear or pride. You may be doing all the "right" things, believing all the right things and saying all the right things but there will be precious little fruit and you won't experience the true rest that Jesus promised."

"For the first time in the decades that I've been a Christian, I'm suddenly 'getting' grace – it is amazing and it is shocking!"

#### HOLY COMMUNION

In the light of concerns about the Corona virus we have been reviewing our practices during services of Holy Communion.

Advice from the Diocese is that we continue to



use the chalice, and for the people serving to follow good hygiene. At any time is is advised that anyone who feels unwell or has a cough or is sneezing to not share the chalice or shake hands during the peace.

We are also advised that dipping bread into the wine is not best practice.

## CALLING ALL MUSICIANS



We're very grateful to Anne and Carol who play the organ and piano regularly for our services at All Saints'. They are an amazing team!

Now that holidays are starting to be booked up, it would be good to grow the team of musicians, not only to cover gaps in rotas but to share the music ministry on a more permanent basis too. If you can play an instrument that

could help us in our worship, we would love to hear from you.

Please have a word with Jonathan or Pam to start with and we can discuss what you might be able to offer in serving God and his Church. Thank you.

#### ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Rolls for St Matthew's Harwell and All Saints' Chilton are being revised in the period 15th March to 28th March inclusive. The Electoral Roll is your Parish Church's Register of Electors, the list of those qualified to vote at the Church Annual General Meeting at which the Parochial Church Council and Deanery Synod representatives are elected. You need to be on the Electoral Roll for at least 6 months to be a PCC member. If you are already on the Electoral Roll you do not need to re-register.

For St Matthew's Harwell forms (form E2) may be obtained from the table at the back of church and completed forms should be placed in the wall box near the main door.

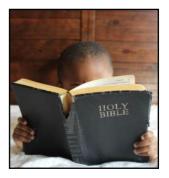
For All Saints' Chilton forms may be obtained from All Saints' Church (blank forms in the red envelope at the base of the font) and completed forms should be returned to Carol Piggott or placed in the yellow envelope at the base of the font.

For both churches forms should be returned no later than **Saturday 28th March**.

Come along to our Annual Meetings at All Saints' Chilton on 19th April 10am, and at St Matthew's Harwell on 26th April at 11.30am.

#### RESOURCES

There are lots of resources available to help people who wish to read the Bible regularly and understand and apply what they read. Leaflets detailing some of the Bible reading guides and notes (both printed and online) are available in both churches.



## GENERATION GOLD

Generation Gold is a service aimed at people of retirement age. We meet 4 times each year, our next service is at All Saints' Chilton on Monday 9th March at 2.30pm when we'll be thinking about promises and rainbows. The service is around 45 minutes long and is followed by light refreshments. Contact Pam Rolls (see front cover) for more information or to request a lift to the service.



## 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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#### PRAYERS

'...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 Cleave in Harwell
- Didcot & Wallingford Area CAP Debt Centre
- God's guidance through the year ahead, especially as we develop our '2020 vision'
- For our Lent Central Grace course and all those who attend
- Help to experience faith in a personal way
- Ourselves that we will be faithful in witness, active in service, and joyful in our praise
- Comfort for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one including the family and friends of Jean Campbell and Tony Baker

# Collect for the First Sunday of Lent

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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