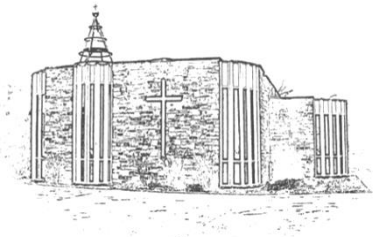
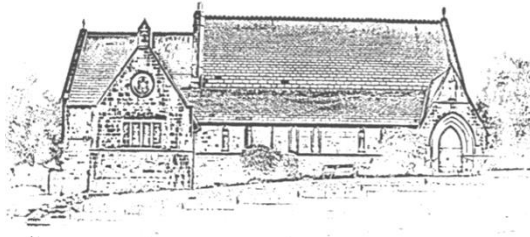




# Parishes of Harden and Wilsden



## Newsletter for 25 March 2018

Welcome to church today. We hope and pray that you will enjoy your time here and that you may encounter the presence of the living God. If you are a visitor then the following information may be helpful.

- We have a loop system, if appropriate switch hearing aids to “T”.
- We have large print copies of most worship material – please ask.
- Gluten free wafers are available – please request before the service begins.
- Whatever your tradition, you are welcome to share in Holy Communion.
- Toilet facilities are available including baby changing and disabled facilities.
- We hope you will join us for refreshments after the service.

*Please take this sheet home with you!*

Please pray for Abigail Amelia Turley, to be baptised at St. Saviour’s today

<b>Sunday 25 March</b>		<b>Palm Sunday</b>		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Morning Worship	Philippians 2: 5-11	Mark 11: 1-11
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church with bread and wine		
Harden	11.15 am	Morning Worship	Philippians 2: 5-11	Mark 11: 1-11
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Holy Communion	Revelation 12: 1-5a	Mark 1: 21-28

<b>Next Sunday’s Services for Easter Sunday</b>		
Wilsden	10.30 am	Family Holy Communion
Harden	11.15 am	Family Holy Communion

**Monday marks the start of Holy Week**, the most important week of the Church's year. As a benefice we join together in our journey towards Easter:

Mon	7.30 pm	Evening Worship at St. Saviour's	
Tues	7.30 pm	Evening Worship at St. John's, Cullingworth	
Wed	7.30 pm	Evening Worship at Denholme Shared Church	
Thurs	6.30 pm	Maunday Thursday meal	at St. Matthew's
	8.00 pm	Holy Communion with hand washing	
	9.00 pm	Vigil	
Fri	10.30 am	Hot Cross Bun Service at St. Saviour's	
Fri	2.00 pm	An Hour by the Cross at Denholme Shared Church	
Fri	7.30 pm	Stations of the Cross at St. Saviour's	

**The Roots After School Club** meets at St. Saviour's on Wednesday at 3 pm.

**Bob Evans** Bob and Suzanne thank everyone for their prayers. Bob has now been referred to Leeds for specialist advice and possible treatment and meanwhile the planned operation on April 4 has been cancelled. We thank God for all He is doing. **Please continue to remember Bob and Suzanne in your prayers.**

**Hot Cross Bun Service** at 10.30 am on Good Friday at St Saviour's. A short, family-friendly service of about 30 minutes retelling and walking through the events from Palm Sunday through to Good Friday and Easter, followed by crafts and refreshments in the family room. Everyone is welcome.

**Lent Appeal.** The Mission Support group is again asking the parishes to concentrate their giving during Lent on the work of the Church Mission Society. We have undertaken to support the work of Awais Mughal who is working for social justice by helping asylum seekers and refugees in Leeds to improve their language skills. Many of these people have come from horrendous situations and although safer now, are feeling lost in their new surroundings. Please pray for Awais and give generously to enable CMS to continue with this and similar work wherever it is needed. As our traditional Lent Lunch was cancelled please consider donating via a CMS collecting box.

**Commonwealth Games Quiz Night at St. John's, Cullingworth** on Friday April 20th. at 7pm. Get your team together for this event! Tickets, to include a 4 course meal, are £12 per person. Teams of four or book as individuals. Email Jasmin at: [robertandjasmin@btinternet.com](mailto:robertandjasmin@btinternet.com)

**Decorating our Churches for Easter.** Both churches will be decorated for Easter on Saturday 31 March from 10.00 am. Anyone who is able to help will be most welcome. Baskets will be available at the rear of church for the next two Sundays to take away, decorate at home, and return on the Saturday morning. There will be plates available at the back of the churches for donations towards the cost of the Easter flowers.

**St. Matthew's Children's Society** The total amount raised from the house boxes for 2018 is £404.25. I would like to thank everyone who has a house box for their contribution to this very good charity which does lots of wonderful things for young children and teenagers in our own region and throughout the whole of the United Kingdom.

Margaret Robertshaw

**CMS** is holding a mission focused day exploring mission issues relating to refugees and asylum seekers on Saturday April 28th, 10 for 10.30am-3.30pm. at St. Chad's Parish Centre, Otley Road, Leeds LS16 5JT. Bring your own lunch. Coffee, tea, biscuits and cake will be provided. This is a day for anyone interested in mission, at home or overseas, not just for the parish mission support group. It should be very relevant to the work of our CMS partner Awais Mughal. Please book in advance with Peter Hemming on 0113 2782735 or peterhemming@hotmail.com

**Environment Friendly Advice for March – Going shopping**

1. Make a list before you go food shopping to help avoid impulse buying and buying food you will end up throwing away.
2. Reduce your impact on the environment by buying second hand when you can. Ebay and charity shops are good sources of re-used items.
3. When you need to buy a large item research it carefully. Think about how long it could last, how much it costs to run, what it is made of, where it is made, can it be recycled at the end of its life. Better quality items often last longer and so cost you less over time.
4. Tempted to buy on impulse when you are shopping? Get in the habit of coming back the next day or week when you have thought through if you really *need* to buy it.

Jemima Parker, Diocesan Environment Officer

**Dates for your diary**

Sunday 8 April	11.00 am	St. Matthew's APCM
Sunday 15 April	12.30 pm	St. Saviour's APCM
Fri 20 Apr	7.00 pm	Commonwealth Games Quiz night at St. John's
Sat 21 Apr	10.00 am	St. Saviour's Coffee Morning

## Prayer chains at St. Matthew's and St. Saviour's.

St. Matthew's: phone Margaret Harrison 272305. (Reserve is Dorothy 01274 497898)

St. Saviour's: phone June Thompson 273787. (Reserve is Hazel 274234)

**Please pray for** John Hansen.

**Please keep in prayer** those who are not well and those who are no longer able to join us at our services: Beatrice Waddington, Alice Griffiths, Edwina Butterfield and Shirley Helliwell Jones.

**Please pray for** Jonathan Duke and Kirsty Jennings to be married at St. Saviour's on 28<sup>th</sup> April.

**Please pray for:** Tobias Johnson, to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April  
Erica Anne Kirke, to be baptised at St. Matthew's on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April  
and for their parents, families and godparents.

## Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March

Because of print deadlines this prayer diary cannot respond quickly to breaking news. In addition to the suggested topics, please keep in prayer national and international events as you learn of them.

Sun	25 Mar	Pray for regular and occasional worshippers at our services and that the focus of this Holy week may speak to us and bring us nearer to God
Mon	26 Mar	Pray for those at Evening Worship at St. Saviour's and for closer fellowship throughout the benefice.
Tue	27 Mar	Pray for those at Evening Worship at St. John's and for those no longer able to be present at services through age or infirmity.
Wed	28 Mar	Pray for those at Evening Worship at Denholme Shared Church and give thanks for their example of ecumenical worship
Thu	29 Mar	Pray for the Maunday Thursday events at St. Matthew's and that this recalling of that day may speak to our hearts.
Fri	30 Mar	Pray for Christians everywhere as they reflect on the meaning of the Cross, at Denholme or Harden or wherever they may be.
Sat	31 Mar	Pray for Christian friends and partners, whether through diocesan links, mission societies or personal contacts.

Please give contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline - Tel: 01535 273814

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