

Newsletter for 30 September 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!

Sunday 30 September			Trinity 18	
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion	James 5:13-20	Mark 9:38-50
Wilsden	11.00 am	Café Church		
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion	James 5:13-20	Mark 9:38-50

Next Sunday's services - Trinity 19		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Wilsden	11.00 am	Café Church
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion

Churches Together Joint Evening Service at Wilsden Trinity next Sunday October 7th at 6pm.The speaker will be Rev Nick Shields, co-ordinator of the West Yorkshire Churches Together organisation. Do come along.

Diary for the next week

Wed	10.00 am	Holy Communion at St. Matthew's
Fri	10am - noon	Coffee and Bring & Buy at St. Matthew's
Fri	2.00 pm - 4.00 pm	Craft and Chat at St. Matthew's

St. Saviour's and St. Matthew's Mission Support Group Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy at St Matthew's this FRIDAY. Please come along and support the church in Sudan as they do their best to provide schools for Christian children and to help displaced people.

Saxophonics Harvest Concert and Supper in aid of Inn Churches on Friday 12th October at 7 p.m. at St. Matthew's Church. Tickets are £5 each (under 18s free) and include a Harvest Supper (soup, bread & apple pie). Tickets available from the Maitlands and Overends or phone 01535 273181.

100 Club The draw for the three annual prizes in the 100 Club - £300, £150 and £100, as well as the September 2018 monthly draws for £25 and £10, will be held in the St. Saviour's Family Room on Sunday, 7 October 2018. Everyone, whether members of the 100 Club or not, are therefore invited to join us for the service in church, which will start at the usual time of 11:15, and for the draw in the Family Room afterwards.

After this year's annual draw the 100 Club will re-commence, with the first monthly draw of the new season being held on the last Sunday of October 2018. For this next year we hope to continue with two numbers being drawn each month – as well as the annual draw for three large prizes at the end of September 2019. A final decision on the amount of the monthly and annual prizes will be made in a few weeks time when we see how many members we have in the coming 12 months. It is hoped that all existing members will want to participate again and that some new members will want to join us. Letters will be going out shortly to existing members inviting them to the draw on 7 October, as well as inviting them to re-join for the coming year.

As before, each member will pay £2 per month per number by banker's order or £24 per annum by cash/cheque. Prospective new members are asked to contact Michael Richardson (tel: 01535 272540: e-mail: mrich8888@tiscali.co.uk) as soon as possible to "sign up" for this next year.

This is a good, fun way of raising money for the church (over £14,000 raised in the 11 years we have been running), so let's make it even more of a success during the next 12 months. The proceeds will be split between the two parishes based on the congregation with which individual members are associated.

Dates for your diary

Sun 7 th Oct	Curry evening at Cardamon, 6.45 pm (names to Helen by 30th Sept)
Fri 12 th Oct	Saxophonics music concert at St. Matthews at 7.00pm
Sat 13 th Oct	Autumn fundraiser coffee morning in the Mechanics Institute, Denholme from 10am – 12noon
Wed 17 th Oct	Men's Group Meeting at the Ling Bob
Sat 20th Oct	St. Saviour's Coffee Morning
Sat 3 rd Nov	Fair Trade Event at St. Matthew's
Sat 17 th Nov	St. Saviour's Coffee Morning
Fri 30 th Nov	Yorkshire's Small Brass Band "LB Brass" at St. John's, Cullingworth.
Sat 15 th Dec	Turkey & Tinsel at St. Saviour's

Bishop Nick has signed a petition from **End Hunger UK**, calling on the Government to fix Universal Credit so that it doesn't make people go hungry. Could you add your name too?

End Hunger UK say, "I want to live in a society where everyone has access to good food, and no one has to go to bed hungry. An effective benefits system provides financial assistance in times of crisis but in areas where Universal Credit has been rolled out, foodbanks and other food aid providers report a surge in the numbers of people pushed into greater debt, destitution and hunger as a result of delays, errors, a lack of flexibility and adequate support.

"In the Diocese of Leeds, there are currently 9 Trussell Trust foodbanks, working out of 31 distribution centres. Last year, Trussell Trust foodbanks in Leeds diocese distributed 33507 three-day emergency food supplies to people in crisis, which is an increase of 15% on the previous year. In addition, there are at least 39 independent food banks in the diocese.

"Unless urgent action is taken to improve the flexibility and support for people on Universal Credit, alongside a long-term commitment to ensure that the social security system provides enough income to afford good food on a regular basis, then we are likely to see a continuing rise in the numbers going to food banks over the next few years as more people are moved on to Universal Credit."

Can you sign the petition at https://e-activist.com/page/26900/petition/1 and encourage others to do so? There is a link on the two church websites. Harvest Festival at your church or End Hunger UK Week (13-20 October) would be good opportunities to focus on our calling, as Christians, to feed the hungry.

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 keep in prayer Beatrice Waddington, Alice Griffiths and all those who are no longer able to join us at our services.

Also please continue to pray for **Chris Mitchell**.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 30th September

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	30-Sep	Pray for those who are working to find the right person to be our Team Rector.
Mon	01-Oct	Pray for all who have come to live in Wilsden during the past year, that they may find contentment and friendship here.
Tue	02-Oct	Pray for those who have been baptised at St Saviour's this year, and for their parents and godparents
Wed	03-Oct	Pray for the management committee of Wilsden Village Hall
Thu	04-Oct	Pray for growth within our congregations and that we may have confidence to share our faith with those we meet.
Fri	05-Oct	Pray for those who come occasionally to our church services, that the words they hear and the welcome they experience may touch their hearts.
Sat	06-Oct	Remember William Tyndale and pray for all who work to make the Holy Scriptures accessible to all.

Please give contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline - Tel: 01535 273814 Email: pstern155@gmail.com (and copy to David Haigh: david@haigh.demon.co.uk and Helen Ludkin) **Copy Deadline**: 12.00h on the **WEDNESDAY** before publication *Please note we can only mention people, by name, in the newsletter with their consent.*

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