

Newsletter for 21st May

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 21 May		Easter 6		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Acts 17: 22-31	John 14:15-21
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church		
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion	Acts 17: 22-31	John 14:15-21

Next Sunday's Services

Wilsden	9.30 am	Morning Worship
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church & Communion
Harden	11.15 am	Morning Worship
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Holy Communion

This week's diary

Weds	10.45 am	Home Communion at Laurel Bank
Weds	2.30 pm	Prayer and cake at St. Saviour's
Thurs	7.00 pm	Ascension Day service at the cathedral

Pat Dickinson We are very sad to announce the sudden and totally unexpected death of Pat Dickinson last Tuesday evening. Please remember Gary and his children in your prayers. I am sure I speak for all of us in offering our love and condolences to the whole family. The funeral will be at St. Saviour's on Thursday 1st June at 1.30.

May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

The Ascension Day service at the Cathedral this year sees the launch in our diocese of "Thy Kingdom Come," a national ten-day prayer event. All are welcome at the service at 7.00p.m. on Thursday 25th May. There will be six creative prayer spaces and a eucharist, followed by refreshments.

Setting God's People Free At the next Area Forum (joint meeting of the four Deanery synods) we shall be discussing Lay Ministry in our Episcopal Area. There is an open invitation to all of us to attend. This is an opportunity to discuss the possibility of diocesan training and recognition of ministries like pastoral ministry, worship leader, intercessor, healing ministry, evangelism etc. If you would like to contribute then do come along and let your views be known.

We meet on 7th June at 7.30pm at St John's Church, Baildon. (refreshments from 7.00) Bob

Christian Aid Week Thanks to everyone who helped deliver the envelopes.

St. Matthew's PCC The next meeting will be on Thursday 8th June at 7pm at St. Matthew's. Please note the change of date.

Margaret Harrison

£10,000 for St Matthew's A legacy has been received from the estate of Liz Martin. The PCC will take time to decide how to use the money in view of a restriction placed upon it and our own legacy policy. I'm sure we will all remember Liz with affection and gratitude.

The next curry night at Cardoman in Bingley is next Sunday 28 May – you need to book by the end of today (21 May) via Helen Ludkin if you would like to go.

Parish Council needs help with watering Harden Parish council has spent £4300 on plants behind the war memorial and is concerned about watering them daily whilst they become established, and maybe a little thereafter. They have asked if anyone is willing to do this from the church? We have agreed they may use the church's tap. Maybe someone could offer to cover a particular day or days of the week? Any offers please have a word with Bob and I'll put you in touch with the Council Clerk.

Toiletries donations – Bradford Social Services are absolutely delighted with the huge donation of toiletries for women being rehoused to refuges in emergency situations.

Thank you very much for your kind donations – collection is ongoing. Helen Ludkin

This summer lan and Joan Slater are taking part in a short-term mission to Mtwara and Lindi in Southern Tanzania. They will be going as part of a team, working with the missionary organization "Go MAD", which stands for Go Make A Difference. Go MAD is a small independent christian charity, which was founded by Graham McClure in 1994. Over the years Go MAD has developed and expanded its work and now operates in Northern and Southern Tanzania as well as in Northern Kenya. Go MAD gives people the opportunity to volunteer to get involved in community projects which really make a difference to people's lives, and they return home determined to continue making a difference.

As part of their fundraising they are organizing a great fun evening of quizzes, a hot meal & great raffle prizes on Friday 9th June at St. Matthew's Wilsden. Tickets are £5 each and are available from Ian and Joan or Helen Ludkin or Beverly Hurst. The fund raising is not to cover their personal expenses but to help fund the work they will be doing while they are there.

If you are unable to attend the quiz night but would like to donate to their mission then please place your donation in an envelope marked Tanzania and place it on the offertory plate at either church, making cheques payable to Go MAD. Or visit their giving page at: https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/lan-Joan-Slater

If you need any more information don't hesitate to get in touch.

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Dates for your Diary

Sun 28 May	6.45pm	Curry Night; book via Helen by May 21st	
Weds 31 May	7.00 pm	Thy Kingdom Come service at St. Matthew's	
Thurs 1 June	7.30 pm	Thy Kingdom Come service at St. Saviour's	
Sat 3 June	10.00 am –	Thy Kingdom Come - St. John's, Cullingworth open for	
	2.00 pm	prayer	
Sun 4 June	6.30pm	Churches Together Service for Pentecost at St. Matthew's	
Thurs 8 June	7.00 pm	PCC meeting at St. Matthew's	
Fri 9 June	7.00pm	Quiz Night at St. Matthew's in aid of Go MAD – see above	

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, Jackie Lancaster and Edwina Butterfield.

Please pray for the family and friends of Marjorie Craven whose funeral took place at St. Saviour's yesterday.

Please pray for those to be baptised: William Oliver Mitchell at St. Saviour's on Sunday 11th June and for his parents and godparents.

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)

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 21st May

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 21st	Pray for Suzy McCarter and Liz Maitland leading our worship today
Mon 22 nd	Pray for the retired clergy who help to lead our worship and help in so many ways in our parishes.
Tues 23 rd	Pray for those exploring a calling to ordained ministry.
Wed 24 th	Give thanks for the lives of John and Charles Wesley and other evangelists and hymn writers whose words continue to inspire.
Thur 25 th	As we remember the Venerable Bede, pray for those exploring a monastic vocation at this time.
Fri 26 th	Pray for the mission and work of Trinity and the River Church in Wilsden.
Sat 27 th	Pray for Robert and all at Harden Congregational Church

If you become aware of a date please contact Pauline Stern or David Haigh so that we can keep the parish diary up to date.

Please give contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline (and copy to David Haigh and vicar Bob) Tel: 01535 273814 Email: pstern155@gmail.com

Copy Deadline: 12.00h on the **WEDNESDAY** before publication TEXT reminder service for Pick'n'Mix: Text name to 07789 895949

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