

## Newsletter for 28th 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 28 May		Ascension Sunday		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Morning Worship	Acts 1: 1-11	Luke 24:44-end
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church &	Communion	
Harden	11.15 am	Morning Worship	Acts 1: 1-11	Luke 24:44-end
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Holy Communion	2Samuel 23: 1-5	Mark 16: 14-20

## **Next Sunday's Services - Pentecost**

Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Wilsden	11.00 am	Café Church
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Churches Together Service for Pentecost at St. Matthew's

This week's diary

Weds	10.00 am	Holy Communion at St Matthew's
Weds	7.00 pm	Thy Kingdom Come service at St. Matthew's
Thurs	1.30 pm	Funeral of Pat Dickinson at St Saviour's
Thurs	7.30 pm	Thy Kingdom Come service at St. Saviour's
Sat	10.00 am – 2.00 pm	Thy Kingdom Come - St. John's, Cullingworth open for prayer

**Pat Dickinson**. 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.

Bob

**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

**Churches Together joint evening service for Pentecost** -Next Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 6.30 at St Matthew's. The preacher is Robert Waddington.

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

Place of Welcome The Places of Welcome scheme is a national initiative that has been taken up jointly by Bradford Council and our Bradford Episcopal Area. It aims to provide places for people to come to be together where there is free hospitality, including refreshments and friendship, also with simple activities. It is especially aimed at loneliness which affects rich and poor, young and old, and people of any faith or none. We are launching a Place of Welcome at St Matthews on Friday 7th July from 10.00 to 12.00 and it will then be open at that same time every week.

We have a team of volunteers for Friday mornings, but there are other ways of helping too. It would be lovely to be able to offer some home baked biscuits or cake, but we don't want to be overwhelmed with this, as numbers are likely to be small, especially during the start-up period.

We have put a baking sign up list on the notice board at St Matthews (St Saviours people could support by liaising through the clergy or via Helen Ludkin). If anyone is willing please put you name against a particular date and then just show up at about 10.00 on the Friday concerned to bring your contribution. Please also pray that this initiative will become known and valued by lonely people in our villages. Bob

**Quiz night 9th June** Please get your tickets in advance for this great event so that we have numbers for catering. Various quizzes, pie & pea supper and fantastic raffle prizes (including vouchers for M&S, Stephen Smith's, The Ling-Bob and gifts from other local businesses. All proceeds in aid of Joan & Ian's trip to Tanzania.

**Meeting of Pastoral Care Coordinators** There will be a meeting for all available St Saviour's Pastoral care Co-ordinators on Tuesday 6th June at 2.00pm at The Vicarage. Please come if you can so that we can support one another and monitor developments. Bob and Mavis

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.

Harden and Wilsden Mission Support Group invite you to 'It's Magic', an evening of entertainment by members of Bradford Magic Circle, Sat June 24th, 7pm at St Matthew's Tickets from Margaret Harrison, Lorna Pickersgill, Harden and Wilsden Post Offices, Adults £5, children £2 proceeds for the Leprosy Mission.

**Harden Gala** Can you help with our stall at this year's gala? If so, please speak to Deborah or June Thompson.

Churches Together Concert with the Airedale Male Voice Choir. Thanks to everyone who helped to make this such a memorable event.

A total of £952 was raised for Christian Aid.

Sandra Haigh

**Dates for your Diary** 

Tues 6 June	2.00 pm	St Saviour's Pastoral Care Coordinators meeting
Wed 7 June	7.30 pm	Area Forum at St John's Church, Baildon
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
Sat 17 June		Harden Gala
Fri 23 June	10.00 am	St Matthew's – Place of Welcome planning meeting
Sat 24 June	7.00 pm	'It's Magic', family entertainment in aid of the Leprosy Mission at St Matthew's
Sat 15 July	9.30 am	Prayer Breakfast at Trinity church

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

Please pray for Victoria Barton & Matthew Smith getting married at St Saviour's on 29th July.

**Thy Kingdom Come** This international prayer initiative is supported by our Archbishops. Please pray daily between Ascension day and Pentecost, knowing that you pray alongside millions of others.

## Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 28th 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 28 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for all affected in any way by the attack at the Manchester Arena last week, for children caught up in this horror and particularly for the families of those who died.
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for our choirs and musicians and give thanks for all they add to our worship.
Tues 30 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for those in our churches and communities trying to deepen their faith and commitment
Wed 31st	Join in prayer with those at St Matthew's as part of the world wide initiative of prayer Thy Kingdom Come.
Thur 1st	Join with those at St Saviour's in praying Thy Kingdom Come.
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pray for Bob, for his ministry and leadership throughout the Hewenden group of parishes
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Join with those at St John's praying Thy Kingdom Come.

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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