



Parishes of St. Saviour's Harden and St. Matthew's Wilsden

IN THE BENEFICE OF HARDEN AND WILSDEN, CULLINGWORTH AND DENHOLME

Newsletter for 8th March 2020

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.
- There are bibles available at the back of church
- 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 8th March		2nd Sunday of Lent		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Pick'n'Mix	Running the Race	
Harden	11.15 am	Pick'n'Mix	Running the Race	
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Holy Communion	Genesis 12: 1-4a	John 3: 1-17

Services Next Sunday		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Wilsden	11.00 am	Café Church
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion

CHURCH ADVICE REGARDING CORONAVIRUS AND COMMUNION

We have been given advice that during the current measures being taken regarding Coronavirus people should not intinct (dip the bread into the wine) when receiving communion.

If you have cough or cold symptoms it is advisable not to share the peace by shaking hands and to receive only the bread at communion.

If you wish to read the Church of England advice it is available on the Church of England website: churchofengland.org

Diary for the next week

Wed 11 th	10.45 am	Home Communion at Laurel Bank
Wed 11 th	3.30 pm	Messy Church at St. Matthew's
Fri 13 th	2.00 pm	Craft and Chat at St. Matthew's

Dates for your diary

Sat 14 th Mar	10.00 am	Coffee Morning at St. Saviour's
Sun 15 th Mar	12.15 pm	Lent Lunch at St. Saviour's
Sun 29 th Mar	10.30 am	Benefice Service at St. Saviour's
Sun 5 th April		Curry Night. Names to Helen by March 29th
Sun 19 th April		Annual Parochial Church Meetings

Our Lent Courses got off to a good start. Each group is following the same programme so if you miss your regular session it is possible to drop in at an alternative time. The possibilities are:

Monday: 2pm at St. Matthew's and 7.30pm at St. John's

Wednesday : 11am at St. John's and 2.30pm at St. Saviour's

Thursday : 10.30am at Denholme and 7pm at 11 Ainsdale Grove, Cullingworth.

The Revision of St. Matthew's and St. Saviour's Electoral Rolls is now taking place. Anyone who is not on the current roll and who would like to be, please ask Margaret Harrison at St Matthew's or the Electoral Roll Officer, Gary Dickinson, or Malcolm Jones at St Saviour's for an application form.

100 Club - The winners from the February draw were:-

£25 - 71 - Neil & Liz Hartley:

£10 - 109 - Millie Clare

The Annual Lent Lunch will be held on Sunday 15th March after the morning service at St. Saviour's. Do come along. Proceeds will support the work of our CMS partner Awais Mughal . Based in Leeds, Awais promotes interfaith and intercultural understanding and teaches English among asylum seekers and refugees in our local area. CMS collection boxes are also available.

Men's Group The next meeting will be at the Ling Bob on Wednesday 25th March at 7pm. Before the meal Tony Caunt will present a slide show on Sri Lanka. If you would like to attend please contact Robert Priestley on 07758 193260 ASAP.

Village Welcome Packs. Do keep in mind these useful introductions to church and community activities in our villages. If you notice someone new move in near you please call and deliver a pack. To prevent duplication please then record your visit on the lists on church notice boards. The information has been recently updated. More information is available from Helen Ludkin.

Churches Together Fair Trade Festival. Thank you to everyone who supported this event on February 29th. It was a successful social occasion bringing together friends from all the churches in the benefice. Trade was brisk! There were generous donations in the collection box and the sum of £100 has been sent to Traidcraft Exchange, providing education and training for farmers and artisans in the Third World.

St. Saviour's Monthly Coffee Morning – The next of our regular coffee mornings will be on 21 March from 10.00 am when bacon sandwiches will be served! Please come along and bring your friends. Contributions for the cake stall will, as always, be very welcome.

A Big Thank You from Inn Churches for the used ink cartridges which will be recycled and raise money for the charity. Carry on printing!

The Real Easter Egg is 10 years old this year! It is still the only Egg to include an Easter story-activity book in the box. This year it is plastic-free and uses no palm oil. Since the launch in 2010 more than a million eggs have been sold. Over the last ten years the parent company, The Meaningful Chocolate Company, has donated £275,000 to charitable causes.

Eggs, price £3.90, can be ordered from Sandra Haigh or Lorna Pickersgill.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 8th 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	08-Mar	Pray for Richard and his ministry throughout the benefice.
Mon	09-Mar	Pray for those who work at the Bingley food bank and for those they are able to help.
Tue	10-Mar	Pray for those in government, local or national, that they will work compassionately and justly in the service of all they represent.
Wed	11-Mar	Pray for Suzy leading the Lent group at Cullingworth this morning and for Richard and Liz at Harden this afternoon.
Thu	12-Mar	Pray for the lay team leading the Lent group at Denholme this morning.
Fri	13-Mar	Pray for patients and staff at Manorlands and for Liz Maitland and her work there.
Sat	14-Mar	Pray for lonely and housebound people in our villages and for the quiet volunteers who try to make a difference.

Prayer Chains at St. Matthew's and St. Saviour's.

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

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

Please pray for: Beatrice Waddington and all those no longer able to join our services
Bob and Suzanne Evans Malcolm and Di Halliday

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 to 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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