Parishes of Harden and Wilsden





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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 April | | | Easter Day | |
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| Wilsden | 10.30 am | Family Holy Communion | Acts 10 :34-43 | John 20 :1-18 |
| Harden | 11.15 am | Family Holy Communion | Acts 10 :34-43 | John 20 :1-18 |

| Next Sunday's services | | |
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| Wilsden | 9.30 am | Morning Worship |
| Wilsden | 11.00 am | Café Church with Holy Communion |
| Harden | 11.15 am | Morning Worship followed by Annual Parochial Church Meeting |
| Wilsden | 4.00 pm | Thanksgiving for Life service |

At St. Saviour's today there will be prosecco, orange juice, smoked salmon, cream cheese and egg mayonnaise rolls following the Easter Sunday service, please stay and enjoy these which have very kindly been given by Beverly and Andrew Hurst.

Diary for the next week

| Tues | 11.00 am | Funeral Service of Alice Griffiths | |
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| Wed | 10.45 am | Home Communion at Laurel Bank | |
| Wed | 2.30 pm | Prayer & Cake at St. Saviour's | |
| Wed | 3.00 pm | Roots After School Club at St. Saviour's | |
| Fri | 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm | Craft and Chat at St. Matthew's | |

Dates for your diary

| Sun 28 th April | St. Saviour's Annual Parochial Church Meeting at 12.30 pm |
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| Sun 28 th April | Thanksgiving for Life service at St. Matthew's at 4.00 pm |
| Sun 5 th May | Curry night – names to Helen by 28 April please |
| Sat 18 th May | Coffee Morning at St Saviours 10.00 am to 12 noon |

The Leprosy Mission A big thank you from the Mission Support group to all who supported the coffee morning and sale. We took £126 on the day and this has been boosted by a very generous donation of £100 from the Lego Club which meets in St. Matthew's on the first Saturday of the month. Together with money from the collecting boxes in the two churches this will be sent to the Leprosy Mission in time to take advantage of the Government offer to double money raised by the charity. *Astrid Hansen*

There will be a **Thanksgiving for Life service at St. Matthew's** next Sunday 28th April at 4pm. This is a quiet service where we give thanks for the lives of those we have loved and who have died as well as prayerfully acknowledging our loss. Please do take an invitation to anyone you know who you feel may find this service helpful.

CMS Collecting boxes are now due to be returned, if you have one could you please bring it back to church. Thank you.

Astrid Hansen and Lorna Pickersgill

Jean and Gordon Bastow wish to thank everyone for their kindness over the past couple of weeks, they have been quite overwhelmed by it.

Fair Trade News. After the re-structure Traidcraft have issued a new Spring catalogue which will be available shortly. It is good to know that after 40 years they have found a way to move forward.

Thanks to everyone who supports our regular monthly stalls. This year Trinity Church have chosen the charity to benefit from our profit and we have sent £300 to MSF (Medecins sans Frontieres).

Village Welcome Packs. Please continue to offer these useful guides to village life to newcomers in your neighbourhood.

Copies are kept in the vicar's vestry in St. Matthew's and in the choir vestry at St. Saviour's.

Next curry night at the Cardamon will be on Sunday 5th May at 6.45pm, names to Helen please by 28th April

Fountains Church is the name of a new Christian worship centre which will overlook Bradford's City Park. The Church of England initiative, to be created in a former nightspot near the city's famous fountains, was announced earlier this year. Its permanent location will be confirmed this summer, but the newly-christened church will start life at nearby Glyde House next month.

Revd Linda Maslen, who heads the project, explained the choice of name: "Of course, Fountains Church refers to the wonderful fountains in front of City Hall, but also to "Fountains of Living Water" - one of the ways that God describes himself. And, like water, we want the church to be a blessing to the people of Bradford bringing life, hope and love. Easter also reminds us of our hope found in the resurrected Jesus and how life is springing up around us."

Archdeacon Andy Jolley said, "I'm delighted we can announce the name Fountains Church and we hope and pray it will give spiritual refreshment right in the city centre."

Bishop Toby added, "Fountains Church will have a strong Bradford identity: young, entrepreneurial, ethnically and culturally diverse and confident about holding out a clear religious offer and call in the public space. It will have a mandate from the start to grow and send folk out to plant new churches and revitalise existing congregations around the area."

Fountains Church will have its first prayer meeting at 7pm on Tuesday, May 7 at Glyde House, Little Horton Rd, Bradford and all are welcome. For more details got to https://fountainsbradford.org/

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 and all those who are no longer able to join us at our services.

Please pray for all the family and friends of **Alice Griffiths** who died on 5th April and whose funeral service will take place on Tuesday 23 April at 11.00 am at St. Matthew's.

Please pray for Gordon Nevill and for Bob Evans

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 21 April

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 | 21-Apr | Easter Day - the Lord is Risen, Alleluia. Pray for all who serve the church in the Diocese of Leeds, remembering particularly Bishop Toby and Archdeacon Andy. |
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| Mon | 22-Apr | Pray for Christians in Sudan at this time of political upheaval and anxiety. |
| Tue | 23-Apr | On St George's day pray for our country and for those who govern, particularly as they consider social issues that have been overshadowed by Brexit. |
| Wed | 24-Apr | Pray for those making important decisions about the future direction and growth of our benefice and that we make go forward together in growing faith and confidence. |
| Thu | 25-Apr | Pray for Bob and Suzanne, still very much in our thoughts. Pray for reassuring news from Bob's next medical appointment. |
| Fri | 26-Apr | Pray for any in our communities awaiting the results of medical consultations or tests. |
| Sat | 27-Apr | The new village hall at Cullingworth opens today. Give thanks for the community spirit that has made this possible and pray for those who will use this new local asset. |

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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