

Newsletter for 1st October

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!

Sunda	y 1 Octob	er Trinity 16		
Wilsden	11.00 am	Joint Service Holy Communion and Lunch	Exodus 17:1-7	Matthew 21:23-32
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion	Exodus 17:1-7	Matthew 21:23-32

St. Matthew's Combined Service and Lunch Today the traditional and Café Church congregations are joining together for a Holy Communion Service **at 11am** followed by a Harvest Ploughman's lunch.

Next Week's Services

Wilsden	9.30 am	Pick 'n' Mix Harvest
Harden	11.15 am	Pick 'n' Mix Harvest
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Evening Prayer

Next week's diary

Tue 3 Oct	7.00 pm	Basic Social Media Training at Helen Ludkin's home
Wed 4 Oct	10.00 am	Holy Communion at St. Matthew's
Thurs 5 Oct	8.00 pm	Benefice meeting at St. Matthew's
Sat 7 Oct	10.00 am	Decorating St. Matthew's for harvest
Sat 7 Oct		Lego Club at St. Matthew's

Benefice pre-vacancy meeting. All members, lay and ordained, of the four church councils are requested to attend a meeting on Thursday 5th October at 8pm at St. Matthew's church to consider practical arrangements for the "vacancy". The Archdeacon, Area Dean and Area Lay Chair will be present. The process leading to the appointment of a new team rector will be discussed. Those invited but unable to attend should give apologies via a PCC member who can attend.

Wilsden Trinity Church have produced an entertaining Harvest Quiz to support their boiler fund. Question sheets priced £1 are available from Sandra Haigh and Helen Keighley.

Decorating St. Matthew's for Harvest. There will be a working party on Saturday 7th October from 10 a.m. to help to decorate the church for Harvest. Baskets are available at the back of church to take, decorate and bring back on the Saturday. Everyone is most welcome to help.

Margaret Harrison

Beatrice Waddington. Beatrice's weekly shopping is currently done by Suzanne and Beatrice needs someone willing to continue from the end of October. This necessitates a trip to M & S due to their single portion meal range. Please can one or more people between them offer to Suzanne to take this on?

Bob

St. Saviour's Coffee Morning. On Saturday 21st October we will be having a bargain 'pound stall' as well as our usual cake stall, all donations would be very welcome.

Margaret Hodgson

Preparing crafts for Pick'n'mix the next session will be on Friday, 6 October at St. Matthews at 10am. All are welcome. Refreshments will be provided. Liz Moy

Churches Together will hold a joint evening service on Sunday 15th October at 6.30pm in Harden Congregational Church. The preacher will be Christian Allsworth, the pastor of River Church. Do come along to meet with friends from other churches.

More News from Inn Churches. Our work supporting people who need it the most doesn't just happen in winter. Through the year we have been helping more and more people suffering from benefit sanctions. We have made many referrals to food banks whilst people's benefit claims are delayed, as well as supporting individuals through the appeal process to ensure that they get the benefits to which they are entitled. Through our work as an Acts 435 participating charity, we have helped seven individuals to purchase essential household items which they otherwise had no way of obtaining. This has enabled them to move into their own homes, setting them up with the goods necessary to sustain their tenancies. We gave bedding and food parcels to a further 125 people through the Warm Homes Healthy People (WHHP) service, benefiting 300 people in extended households. We also provided around 120 starter packs to people moving from the streets into tenancies, containing essentials such as crockery, towels, bedding, a kettle and basic food supplies - and we're really grateful to Santa and John who, on getting married recently, asked for donations towards starter packs instead of wedding presents, meaning we have a full store cupboard to start the next season.

Autumn Lunch - Sunday 15th October. St. Saviour's are hosting a lunch after the service. This will be homemade soup and apple pie and cream. Donations for the meal will be for Christian Aid. Friends from St. Matthew's will be welcome. Please sign up on the list if you will be attending or ring June Thompson 01535 273787 so that we know how many to cater for. Thank you.

Fair Trade. Our Autumn Fair Trade event will be held in St. Matthew's on Saturday 4th November, 10am to 12noon. Save the date for some Christmas shopping!

Christmas is Coming - we hope to have arts and craft stalls at St. Matthews on Nov 18th. If you know anyone who would be interested in having a stall, please contact Jean Bastow on 272805.

Dates for your Diary

Thurs 12 Oct	7.00 pm	St. Matthew's PCC
Sun 15 Oct	12.15 pm	Autumn Lunch in aid of Christian Aid at St. Saviour's
Sun 15 Oct	6.30 pm	Churches Together Service at Harden Congs.
Sat 21 Oct	10.00 to 12.00	Coffee Morning at St. Saviour's
Sun 29 Oct	5.00 pm	Farewell Service and party – venue to be confirmed.
Sat 4 Nov	10 - 12	Fair Trade Event at St. Matthew's
Sat 18 Nov		St. Matthew's "Christmas is coming" event
Sat 18 Nov	10.00 to 12.00	Coffee Morning at St. Saviour's
Tue 21 Nov		Bradford Episcopal Area Forum

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: Karen Mottershead who will be undergoing surgery for recently diagnosed skin cancer, Beatrice Waddington, Alice Griffiths and Edwina Butterfield.

Please remember Anne and Chris Raine following the death of Anne's Mum. Please pray for:

Charlie Benjamin Sproson to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 15th Oct and Ellie Winnie Smith to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 22nd Oct Lyssa Winnie-May Johnson to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 5th November and for their parents and godparents.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 1st October

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.

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Sun 1st	Pray for world leaders, for wise and humane decisions in national and international affairs.	
Mon 2 nd	Pray for Wilsden WI and other local groups that encourage a feeling of community.	
Tue 3 rd	Pray for the groups that meet regularly in our family rooms	
Wed 4 th	Pray for our MP and ward councillors, that they may work for the good of all they represent	
Thur 5 th	Pray for Inn Churches, remembering those who will be sleeping out tonight to raise awareness and funds for this charity	
Fri 6 th	Pray for parish councillors in Harden and Wilsden	
Sat 7 th	Pray for police and community support officers in our area.	

If you become aware of a date contact Pauline Stern so that we can keep the parish diary up to date and 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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