

Newsletter for 28 January 2018

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 January		4 th of Epiphany		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Morning Worship	Jeremiah 1:4-10	Mark 1:40-45
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church & Commun	ion	
Harden	11.15 am	Morning Worship	Jeremiah 1:4-10	Mark 1:40-45
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Holy Communion	Revelation 12:1-5a	Mark 1:21-28

Next Week's Services				
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion		
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church		
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion		

Churches Together Special Courses for Lent 2018

This Lent why not take part in one of the many study groups taking place across the benefice? They will start in the week beginning 12th February and run for six weeks. There are two exciting options:

1. Jesus Shaped People:

A look at the prayer life of Jesus with a special focus on the Lord's Prayer and ending with a soup and roll lunch.

Where: Denholme Shared Church When: Thursday Mornings

2. Finding a Voice: a Lent Course based on the film 'The King's Speech'

Special showing of the film at 7pm on Monday the 5th February at St. John's, Cullingworth.

Extracts from the film will later be used as a trigger for discussion of what the Bible has to say on many universal issues.

Where and When: Four parallel groups are planned:

- Monday evening led by Rev. Suzy at St John's, Cullingworth.
- Tuesday morning led by Rev. Christine (Wilsden, venue to be confirmed)
- Wednesday evening led by Robert Waddington (Wilsden, venue to be confirmed)
- Friday morning led by Helen Keighley at St. Saviour's, Harden

Please sign up today!

Round Britain Quiz Only two entries got all the questions right. (49 out of 49 - the computer swallowed no.39 before printing them.) It seemed hard to put two into a draw so I took an executive decision to split the prize between Chris Moore and Jane Callaghan. Many thanks to all who entered. It raised £71 to add to the total for St. Matthew's Christmas event.

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Lay Eucharistic Training Course If you would be interested in going on this course at Bradford Cathedral on 10th February, even as a refresher, please contact one of the clergy.

This week's diary

Weds	10.00 am	Holy Communion at St. Matthew's
Weds	3.00 pm	Roots After School Club at St. Saviour's
Sat	1.00 pm	Lego Club at St. Matthew's

Churches Together Charity Quiz. Thanks to everyone who supported this event presented by Intellectual Rescue. It proved to be an entertaining evening with a very close finish! The proceeds will be sent to MSF in support of their work fighting against diphtheria in the refugee camps in Bangladesh. Ticket sales realised £280. This has been augmented by 25% from CT funds to give a total donation of £350.

Revision of Electoral Roll The current Electoral Roll for St. Matthew's Church will be posted on the inside door of the church from Sunday 21st January, 2018 to Thursday 22nd March, 2018. If you are not currently on the Electoral Roll and wish to be added to it please see me at St. Matthews.

Dorothy P Senior

Maundy Thursday This year it is St. Matthew's turn to provide a meal for the Benefice. If you could help prepare food, set up, serve or clear up please let Jean Bastow know.

St. Saviour's Flower Rota

Dates for 2018 are displayed on the noticeboard at the back of church. Please sign if you are willing to arrange flowers or to make a donation to mark a celebration or to remember a loved one. Donations should be given to Jean Crerer.

Many thanks to all who gave so generously to enhance our church in 2017.

Men's Group Meeting – the next meeting will be on Wednesday 21st February at 7.30pm at the Ling Bob, Wilsden. Robert Smith will show some pictures of his trip to the Holy Land. Please let Robert know if you are able to attend so that he can organise the numbers for food.

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Dates for your diary

Sun 4 Feb	6.45 pm	Curry night (names to Helen by 28 January)
Sat 17 Feb	10.00 am	Coffee Morning at St. Saviour's
Sat 3 Mar	10.00 am	Fair Trade Big Brew Coffee Morning at St. Matthew's

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, Edwina Butterfield, Jim Waddington and Shirley Helliwell Jones.

Please pray for Esther Fleur Hammond Harvey, to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 4th March 2018 and for her parents, family and godparents.

Please pray for Roy and all the family and friends of Margaret Lancaster who died on Monday 8th January and whose funeral will take place at St. Saviour's on 29 January at 11.45 a.m.

Please pray for Stuart and Kath and all the family and friends of Irene Gabbitas who died on Friday 12th January and whose funeral took place last Friday.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 28th January

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-Jan	Pray for Liz Maitland as she leads Cafe Church today and for all who take part in and contribute to these services.	
Mon	29-Jan	Pray for local funeral directors as they bring calm efficiency and great kindness to their work with bereaved families.	
Tue	30-Jan	Pray for the Mission Support group meeting today, for fresh ideas and insights as they plan future activities.	
Wed	31-Jan	Pray for the work of CMS, remembering our mission partner Awais and her work with refugees in Leeds.	
Thu	01-Feb	Pray for the work of the Children's Society as they work with young people at risk of abuse.	
Fri	02-Feb	Pray for the Leprosy Mission, that they may build strong partnerships with church leaders and disability organisations to further their work in Niger.	
Sat	03-Feb	Pray for helpers and children at the Lego Club at St. Matthew's this afternoon.	

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

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