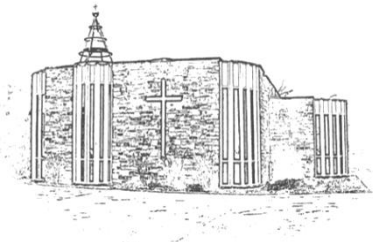


Parishes of Harden and Wilsden



Newsletter for 4 March 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!

~~This morning’s service at St Saviour’s will be followed by a lunch in aid of the Church Mission Society, everyone is most welcome to join us.~~

(Lent lunch cancelled)

Please pray for Esther Fleur Hammond Harvey to be baptised at St. Saviour's today at 1.00 pm and for her parents and godparents.

Sunday 4 March		3rd Sunday of Lent		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion	1Corinthians 1:18-25	John 2:13.22
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church		
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion	1Corinthians 1:18-25	John 2:13.22

Next Sunday’s Services		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Pick ‘n’ Mix
Harden	11.15 am	Pick ‘n’ Mix
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Holy Communion

This week's diary

Mon	7.00 pm	Lent Course at St. John's, Cullingworth
Tues	10.15 am	Lent Course at 2 Birchlands Grove, Wilsden
Wed	10.00 am	Holy Communion at St Matthew's
Wed	3.00 pm	Roots After School Club at St. Saviour's
Wed	7.30 pm	Lent Group at Harden Congregational Church
Fri	10.30 am	Lent Group at 64 Long Lane, Harden
Fri	2.00 pm	Crafts for Pick 'n' Mix at St Matthew's

The Diocesan Lay Conference will take place in Harrogate on 9 June and offers an unprecedented opportunity for laity from across our diocese to be affirmed and galvanised as we pursue our vision of Confident Christians, Growing Churches and Transforming Communities. More detailed information is available on the sidesman's table. If you might be interested in representing our parish at the conference, talk to Liz Moy who will identify and prepare our delegates. Please pray for those who may feel called to participate.

The Electoral Rolls of the two parishes are currently posted on the inside doors of the respective churches. If you wish your name to be added to the list, please contact Dorothy Senior at St. Matthew's or Gary Dickinson at St. Saviour's.

The Maundy Thursday Meal will be at St. Matthew's at 6.30. If you wish to attend, please sign up on the list at the back of church.

St. Saviour's Coffee Morning – The next coffee morning is on Saturday 17th March. Contributions to a Spring / Easter stall, plants, anything yellow or green would be most welcome! These may be left in the 'Coffee Morning' Box in the choir vestry. Your support is much appreciated!
Margaret Hodgson

The Bible in a Day Explore the big story of the bible from Genesis to Revelation with the Revd. Canon John Bavington as part of the diocesan Lay Training. All are welcome at St. John's Church, Saint Street, Great Horton BD7 4AB on Saturday 14th April from 9.30- 3.45. Book by phone on 01133530281 or email carol.stenner@leeds.anglican.org Drinks provided but bring your own lunch.

Lent Appeal. This year Easter is not the earliest it can be, but nevertheless Lent does seem to have arrived hard on the heels of Epiphany. The Mission Support group is again asking the parishes to concentrate their giving during Lent on the work of the Church Mission Society. There will be boxes available to use throughout the season. CMS mission partners work in many places, in the UK and overseas, often at the request of local churches. We have undertaken to support the work of Awais Mughal who is working for social justice by helping asylum seekers and refugees in Leeds to improve their language skills. Many of these people have come from horrendous situations and although safer now, are feeling lost in their new surroundings. Please pray for Awais and give generously to enable CMS to continue with this and similar work wherever it is needed.

There is a new letter from Awais on the Mission noticeboard at St. Matthew's. It will be moved to St Saviour's in time for the Lent Lunch.

Crafts for Pick'n'Mix a session for preparing crafts for Pick'n'mix will be on Friday 9 March at 2pm at St Matthew's. All are welcome. Refreshments will be provided.

Dates for your diary

Thur 15 Mar	7.45 pm	St. Saviour's PCC meeting
Sat 17 Mar	10.00 am	St. Saviour's Coffee Morning
Thur 22 Mar	7.00 pm	St. Matthew's PCC meeting
Fri 20 Apr	7.00 pm	Commonwealth Games Quiz night at St. John's
Sat 21 Apr	10.00 am	St. Saviour's Coffee Morning

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 Sheila Swift and her family following the death of her husband, Douglas, on Thursday February 22nd. His funeral will take place at Elland Crematorium on Monday March 19th at 12.45 pm. Family flowers only please, but donations may be made in lieu to Jessie's Fund for music therapy. Many of you will remember Sheila as a member of St Saviour's congregation and choir for many years.

Please pray for:

Abigail Amelia Turley, to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 25th March

Tobias Johnson, to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 2nd April

Erica Anne Kirke, to be baptised at St Matthew's on Sunday 8th April and for their parents, families and godparents.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 4th 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	04-Mar	Pray for the Church Mission Society and for a happy and successful Lent Lunch today helping to support their work.
Mon	05-Mar	Pray for all who are working to find the right person to be our Team Rector.
Tue	06-Mar	Pray for scouts, cub scouts, beaver scouts and their leaders.
Wed	07-Mar	Pray for the Roots after school club at St Saviour's.
Thu	08-Mar	Pray for rainbows who meet at St Matthew's and their leaders.
Fri	09-Mar	Pray for brownies and guides in this area and their leaders.
Sat	10-Mar	Pray for those who join in prayer today with Bishop Toby in Bradford Cathedral.

Please give contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline - Tel: 01535 273814

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