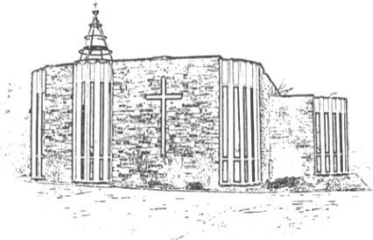


Parishes of Harden and Wilsden



Newsletter for 18 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!

Sunday 18 March		5th Sunday of Lent		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Hebrews 5:5-10	John 12:20-33
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church		
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion	Hebrews 5:5-10	John 12:20-33

Next Sunday's Services for Palm Sunday		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Morning Worship
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church with bread and wine
Harden	11.15 am	Morning Worship
Harden	1.30 pm	Baptism of Abigail Amelia Turley
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Holy Communion

This week's diary

Mon	7.30 pm	Meeting of all the Lent Groups at Trinity Church, Wilsden
Wed	10.00 am	Holy Communion at St. Matthew's
Wed	3.00 pm	Roots After School Club at St. Saviour's

Bob Evans has told us that he has two tumours in his right kidney and another in the left. Major surgery is booked for 4th April to remove his right kidney and then some kind of zapping of the left will follow once he has recovered. All of this is based on a scan done last October. He is awaiting the results of a more recent scan and is praying the situation hasn't worsened significantly.

Please remember Bob and Suzanne in your prayers.

Commonwealth Games Night Quiz at St. John's, Cullingworth on Friday April 20th. at 7pm. Get your team together for this event! Tickets, to include a 4 course meal, are £12 per person. Teams of four or book as individuals.

Email Jasmin at: robertandjasmin@btinternet.com

The Real Easter Egg 2018 is now available! Did you know that 80 million Easter eggs are sold each year but this design is the only Fairtrade one with the Easter story on the box? The chocolate is Palm Oil free and a small charitable donation is made from each sale. Available at the special price of £3.60 (RRP £3.99).

Order from Lorna P. or Sandra H.

Don't forget to sign up for The Maundy Thursday Meal at St. Matthew's at 6.30. The sign up sheets can be found at the back of church.

Decorating our Churches for Easter. Both churches will be decorated for Easter on Saturday 31 March from 10.00 am. Anyone who is able to help will be most welcome. Baskets will be available at the rear of church for the next two Sundays to take away, decorate at home, and return on the Saturday morning. There will be plates available at the back of the churches for donations towards the cost of the Easter flowers.

Margaret Harrison and Jean Crerar.

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.

St. Matthew's Children's Society The total amount raised from the house boxes for 2018 is £404.25. I would like to thank everyone who has a house box for their contribution to this very good charity which does lots of wonderful things for young children and teenagers in our own region and throughout the whole of the United Kingdom.

Margaret Robertshaw

Lent Appeal. The Mission Support group is again asking the parishes to concentrate their giving during Lent on the work of the Church Mission Society. 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. As our traditional Lent Lunch was cancelled please consider donating via a CMS collecting box.

CMS is holding a mission focused day exploring mission issues relating to refugees and asylum seekers on Saturday April 28th, 10 for 10.30am-3.30pm. at St. Chad's Parish Centre, Otley Road, Leeds LS16 5JT. Bring your own lunch. Coffee, tea, biscuits and cake will be provided. This is a day for anyone interested in mission, at home or overseas, not just for the parish mission support group. It should be very relevant to the work of our CMS partner Awais Mughal. Please book in advance with Peter Hemming on 0113 2782735 or peterhemming@hotmail.com

Dates for your diary

Thur 22 Mar	7.00 pm	St. Matthew's PCC meeting
Sunday 8 April	11.00 am	St. Matthew's APCM
Sunday 15 April	12.30 pm	St. Saviour's APCM
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 pray for John Hansen.

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 and Shirley Helliwell Jones.

Please pray for Sheila Swift and her family following the death of her husband, Douglas whose funeral will take place at Elland Crematorium on Monday.

Please pray for Jonathan Duke and Kirsty Jennings to be married at St. Saviour's on 28th April.

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 22nd 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 18th 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	18-Mar	Pray for all those working to find the right person to be our Team Rector.
Mon	19-Mar	Pray for Revd Suzy and all at the Lent group at St. John's.
Tue	20-Mar	Pray for Revd Christine and the Lent group she has led on Tuesdays.
Wed	21-Mar	Pray for Robert and all at the Lent group he has led in Wilsden.
Thu	22-Mar	Pray for all at the Jesus Shaped People Lent group in Denholme. Pray for the PCC meeting at St. Matthew's this evening.
Fri	23-Mar	Pray for Helen and the Lent group at St. Saviour's.
Sat	24-Mar	Pray for those from our communities who are in hospital at this time.

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

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