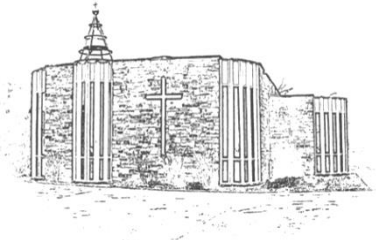




Parishes of Harden and Wilsden



Newsletter for 1 April 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 1 April | | | Easter Sunday | |
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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 | Pick 'n' Mix |
| Harden | 11.15 am | Pick 'n' Mix |
| Wilsden | 6.30 pm | Holy Communion |

This week's diary

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| Wed | 10.00 am | Holy Communion at St. Matthew's |
| Fri | 2.00 pm | Crafts for Pick'n'Mix at St Matthew's |
| Sat | 1.00 pm | Lego Club at St Matthew's |

The next crafts for Pick'n'Mix will be on Friday, 6 April at 2pm at St Matthew's. All are welcome. Refreshments will be provided.

Bob Evans says "My situation seems to have changed dramatically. I am to attend St. James's Hospital Leeds on 26th April for cryoablation with Dr Wah. She hopes to destroy the largest tumour. Then the plan for the remaining 4 are to monitor them and decide on future action later. This feels so much better and I am so grateful for amazing medical technology and answered prayers. We wish you all a Happy Easter."

Please continue to remember Bob and Suzanne in your prayers.

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.

Commonwealth Games Quiz Night 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

Sunday Lunch - Gary Dickinson is organising a Sunday lunch at St. Ives Golf Club on Sunday 22 April, if you would like to go please speak to Gary.

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

The Archbishops of York and Canterbury are encouraging churches and Christians to get involved in **Thy Kingdom Come**, described as a ten-day Global Wave of Prayer from May 10-20. This year, at Bradford Cathedral, there will be a Thy Kingdom Come diocesan celebration on Sunday May 13th from 3pm – 6pm. Worship will be led by a variety of musicians including the Voices in Praise Gospel Choir from the New Testament Church of God in Leeds as well as Christian musician, Joe King and band. Bishop Nick will speak at the event, and throughout the afternoon there will be prayer spaces and creative ways of engaging with the priorities of Thy Kingdom Come. The Cathedral will be filled with information stalls from a variety of organisations with refreshments and resources.

More details will be available nearer the time.

Dates for your diary

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| 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 |

Please note that there is no curry night in April as it falls on Easter Day. The next curry night will be May 6th; names to Helen by 29th April.

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

Please pray for: 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 1st 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.

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| Sun | 01-Apr | Easter Day. The Lord is risen! Alleluia! Give thanks and praise for the great gifts we have received and for our freedom to gather together in churches throughout the country to celebrate our faith. |
| Mon | 02-Apr | Pray for those who witness for Christ in places where Christians are marginalised and oppressed. |
| Tue | 03-Apr | Pray for those who are suffering and afraid in Syria, for world leaders with power to influence the situation, that they may be guided to use their influence for the greater good rather than narrow political gains |
| Wed | 04-Apr | Pray for Bob and Suzanne and for their new parish of Heeley as they provide love and support at this difficult time. |
| Thu | 05-Apr | Pray for Suzy, Liz Moy, Liz Maitland, Mavis, Gordon, Ian, Paul and others who help occasionally, all working to look after our parishes. |
| Fri | 06-Apr | Pray for all who are working to find the right person to be our Team Rector. |
| Sat | 07-Apr | With annual church meetings almost upon us, pray for all who may be considering standing for office or PCC membership. A mixture of continuity and experience and new commitment to serve is so important to the future of our parishes. |

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)

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