

**Parishes of St. Saviour's Harden & St. Matthew's Wilsden
IN THE BENEFICE OF
HARDEN AND WILSDEN, CULLINGWORTH AND DENHOLME
Newsletter for 1 September 2024
Fourteenth Sunday of Trinity
Today's Services**

9.30am	Communion at St Matthew's, Wilsden
9.30am	Communion at St John's, Cullingworth
10.30am	Sunday Service at Denholme Shared Church
11.00am	Café Church at St Matthew's, Wilsden
11.15am	Communion at St Saviour's, Harden

Midweek Services on Wednesday

- 10.00am Eucharist at Wilsden
- 10.00am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth
- 2.30pm Personal Prayer at Harden



Please keep praying for Sudan: Update

The peace talks arranged by the United Nations seeking to end the war in Sudan continue but signs are not good that they will produce any pause in the fighting. The Sudan Army leaders have not attended the talks and have rejected the peace efforts, vowing to "fight for 100 years". Aid struggles to reach those in great need throughout the country. An added tragedy this week unfolded with the bursting of a dam which has caused widespread flooding. Please pray for the people of Sudan and especially for our Christian brothers and sisters who seek to live out their faith in acts of love and peace.

Bible Book Group



There final Bible Book Group of this summer takes place on Wednesday 11 September, 7pm at Denholme Shared Church. The subject for discussion will be the books of Ruth and Esther, two significant stories of two very different Old Testament Women. You can find an overview of the Books at [The Bible Project](#) .

Fantasy Competitions Underway

The Benefice Fantasy Strictly Come Dancing Competition is now ready for you to make your selections. Peruse the list of celebrities and make your choices. The details are attached with this newsletter. Also attached is the update for the



Fantasy Football competition. Harden are now up to second in the table with Kevin Haley only three points behind the league leader, Peter Sharp from Cullingworth. Andrew Robertshaw rises nineteen places to take Wilsden into third place. See the attached table to find out where you are!

The not to be missed “St John’s” Quiz Night

Saturday 14 September

in the St John’s Room

Raffle and Pie and Pea supper only £5

Come along for a good night of fun and fellowship.

Let Jasmin know if you would like to join in!



Chat & Craft MacMillan Afternoon

On Friday 27 September from 2pm to 4pm the Craft and Chat Group will be hosting a MacMillan Afternoon Tea. Come along for cakes and refreshments raising money to support the wonderful work of MacMillan Cancer Support. There will also be a Bring and Buy Stall so come to Bag a Bargain!





CONCORDIAMUSIC Singing Choral Evensong

St John's, Cullingworth

4pm on Saturday 21 September

The choir is directed by our own Dr Judy Blezzard

All the Benefice churches are invited to attend this lovely service.

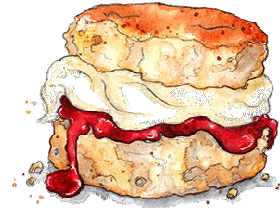


Welcome Space Coffee

Tuesday Mornings 11.15am

St Saviour's Church

Family Room



Messy Church



Messy Church begins again after the summer break:

Sunday 8 September 3.45pm at St John's, Cullingworth

Wednesday 11 September 3.30pm at St Matthew's, Wilsden

Wednesday 18 September at Denholme Shared Church

Storytime

On Wednesday 4 September at 2pm it is Storytime at St John's, Cullingworth. Come along with under-fives for a story, craft and an opportunity to enjoy and borrow some children's books.



Lego Club & Community Cafe

Come and enjoy the Lego at St Matthew's, Wilsden on Saturday 7 September from 1pm to 3pm or you can just pop in for Coffee, Tea and Cake!

Donations to our local churches

Donations or regular giving may be done by sending your gift to:

Account name	Sort Code	Account No
St Saviour's Church Harden PCC	05-02-42	32488873
Parish of St Matthews, Wilsden	40-23-05	42128918

Please leave your name so we can send you a "thank you"

PRAYER REQUESTS TO: say14me@hotmail.com

We give thanks for Ophelia and Adeline, baptised in our churches last Sunday, and for Chaz and Sue, married at Wilsden yesterday. We give thanks for the lives of Connie Smallbones, Baby Hugo, Ben Cooper and Jean Gadomski and we pray for their families. We pray for those awaiting and for those recovering from medical procedures.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday1 September

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.

Sunday 1 September	Pray for wisdom for those who must decide on responses to dangerous situations throughout the world.
Monday 2 September	Pray for those around us who are ill and for those who love and care for them.
Tuesday 3 September	Pray for people from our communities now living in residential and care homes. Pray that they may feel settled, cared for and loved.
Wednesday 4 September	Pray for teachers, assistants and children in our village primary schools.
Thursday 5 September	Pray for older children from our villages as term starts, many of them getting to know new people as they start at new schools.
Friday 6 September	Pray for the families of all who have died or are missing in conflicts throughout the world.
Saturday 7 September	Pray for the Sudanese people, remember our Christian brothers and sisters among the poorest who have lost so much.

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Clergy Days Off: Alison: Thursday, Friday& Saturday
Liz: Monday, Thursday& Saturday

Anna: Saturday
Richard: Saturday