



**Parishes of St. Saviour's Harden & St. Matthew's Wilsden
IN THE BENEFICE OF
HARDEN AND WILSDEN, CULLINGWORTH AND DENHOLME
Newsletter for 15 December 2024**



**Third Sunday of Advent
Today's Services**

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| 9.30am | Communion at St Matthew's, Wilsden |
| 9.30am | Communion at St John's, Cullingworth |
| 10.30am | Carol Service at Denholme Shared Church |
| 11.00am | Café Church at St Matthew's, Wilsden |
| 11.15am | Communion at St Saviour's, Harden |
| 3.00 pm | Carol Service at St Saviour's, Harden |
| 6.00 pm | Carol Service at St John's, Cullingworth |
| 6.00 pm | Carol Service at St Matthew's, Wilsden |

Please note that St Matthew's Carol Service is at 6.00pm

Christmas Tree Festival: Denholme Shared Church

Saturday 14 December 10am to 4pm

Sunday 15 December 2pm to 4pm

Come and enjoy the Christmas Tree Displays
From Local Organisations and Groups



Midweek Services on Wednesday

10.00am Eucharist at Wilsden

10.00am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth

2.30pm Personal Prayer at Harden

Harden & Wilsden 100+ Club 2024

The **BIG DRAW** will take place today, Sunday 15 December,

The prizes will be **£300, £150 and £100:**

Existing members will be receiving the application form to enter for the 2025 draws soon with a tear off slip to return to Tony Caunt with details of how to enter. If anyone else would like to join for 2025 please contact Tony. Tel: 01535 273709 E-mail: tony.caunt1@btinternet.com



Advent Study Group

Denholme Shared Church are hosting an Advent Study Course

Waiting for the Light

Thursdays 10am to 11.30am, starting 28 November

Followed by a light lunch: Last one this week!



Thank you!

The St Matthew's Craft and Chat Group would like to thank everyone who supported the CMS Afternoon Tea on Friday 29 November and who brought or purchased items on the Bring and Buy Stall. An amazing £279 was raised to support the work of CMS. Thank you!



Warm Spaces this Week!

Free Meal and a Warm Welcome!

Monday 12noon at St Matthew's, Wilsden

Tuesday 12noon at St Saviour's, Harden

Wednesday 12noon at St John's, Cullingworth

Sunday 1 December 4pm, Denholme Shared Church

NO WARM SPACES 23 December to 4 January



ShIPLEY Baptist Church are hosting Inn Churches in the Week Beginning 20 January 2025. They are in need of volunteer helpers.

If you are able to help, please contact them on: 01274 533732



Carol Singing this week around our villages!



Monday 16 Dec 7pm at 115 Harecroft: We gather in the front garden of No.115 and people come to join in the singing! We always get a wonderful welcome and enjoy singing carols together for about half an hour.

Tuesday 17 Dec 7pm in Denholme: We will meet at 7pm at the junction of Seven Acres and Burnholme then we will walk up Seven Acres singing carols for those who live in the new homes there! We'll be singing for around an hour.

Wednesday 18 Dec 7pm at Hewenden Ridge, Cullingworth: We will meet at Manywells Crescent and walk up into the Hewenden Ridge estate to sing carols outside the houses for about an hour.

Thursday 19 Dec 8pm at Cullingworth Cricket Club: This is a great singalong event with joy and energy in all the carols and perhaps the odd solo from the Cricket Club Regulars! We sing for about half an hour.

Friday 20 Dec 8pm at "The George", Cullingworth: It will be great to revive this tradition after a couple of years where there has been no "George" to sing in! Come along and help us to lead some very enthusiastic carols. We sing for about forty-five minutes.



Details next week of our carolling up Goit Stock on Monday 23 Dec!

Well Being Café

On Tuesday 17 December from 2pm to 3.30pm we will be hosting the next Wellbeing Café. It is the ideal place to come along if you are struggling with memory or caring for someone



with dementia, or if you would like to enjoy some company. There are cakes and drinks, the opportunity for games, conversation and a jigsaw. Everyone is welcome.

PRAYER REQUESTS TO: say14me@hotmail.com

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 15 December

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 15 December	Pray for all at our carol services today.
Monday 16 December	Pray for communities throughout the country suffering the aftermath of storm and flood.
Tuesday 17 December	Pray for all at the Wellbeing Café at St Matthew's today.
Wednesday 18 December	Pray for all who enjoy warmth and company at Warm Spaces on the different days throughout the Benefice.
Thursday 19 December	Pray for those who work in our village Post Offices and for those who deliver the post.
Friday 20 December	Pray for staff and residents at Laurel Bank and other residential and care homes serving our communities.
Saturday 21 December	Pray for those who lead this country, for wisdom, for a genuine call to service and willingness to work together for the common good.

Contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline: 01535 273814 pstern155@gmail.com

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