

**Parishes of St. Saviour's Harden & St. Matthew's Wilsden  
IN THE BENEFICE OF  
HARDEN AND WILSDEN, CULLINGWORTH AND DENHOLME  
Newsletter for 17 March 2024  
Fifth Sunday of Lent  
Passion Sunday  
SERVICES THIS WEEK**

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

**Only two weeks of Warm Spaces left!**

Our Warm Spaces are now all running!

**Monday at Wilsden: 12noon to 2pm**

**Tuesday at Harden: 12noon to 2pm**

**Wednesday at Cullingworth: 12noon to 2pm**

**Sunday at Denholme: 4pm to 7pm**

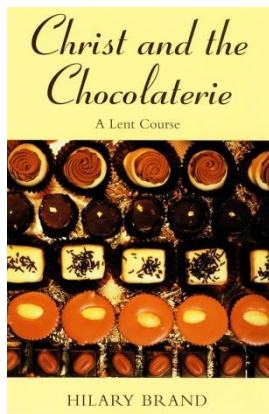
Only two weeks left to come along and join in.

**Why not join us this week!**



## **Psalms through Lent & Easter**

There are 150 Psalms in the Bible and there are 86 days between Ash Wednesday and Pentecost Sunday. Starting on Ash Wednesday, Richard has been reading the Psalms, one or two each day. The last Psalm, 150 will be on 19 May, Pentecost Sunday. You can watch on our Benefice YouTube Channel or on our Benefice Facebook Page. You can access them easily through our webpages: [www.stmatthewswilsden.org](http://www.stmatthewswilsden.org) and [www.stsavioursharden.org](http://www.stsavioursharden.org)



## **Final Lent Course Session**

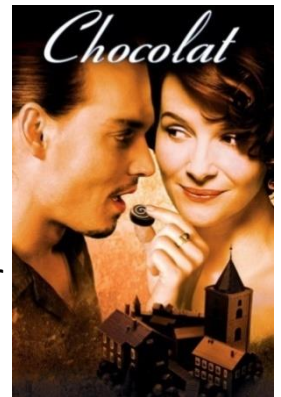
**Tuesday 7pm**

**St Saviour's, Church Hall**

**Thursday 10.30am**

**St Matthew's, Church Hall**

We are looking at the themes of Lent and Easter through the film "Chocolat" using a lent course written by Hilary Brand.



In this last session we are looking at The Process of Change

## **Wednesday 29th May 2024 – Trip to Holme Pierrepont Hall and Southwark Minster, Nottingham**

Janice from Denholme Shared Church is organising a coach trip to Nottingham. Cost will be £40 which will include refreshments on arrival, admission to the Hall and gardens, tour of the Hall, followed by a visit to Southwell Minster. Please contact Janice if you are interested or would like any further information. The trip is dependent upon a minimum of 40 passengers. [jemilylb@outlook.com](mailto:jemilylb@outlook.com) or 07807 627234

## **Chatterbox Toddler Group**

Each Tuesday morning in term time at St Saviour's, Harden carers and toddlers arrive after 9am. There is a good welcome with tea, coffee, juice and biscuits. The children enjoy playing with the toys and interacting with one another. There is a slide, a toy garage, soft play for the youngsters, jigsaws, big lego and sticklebricks. So lots to explore and enjoy. The carers get the chance to chat, watch and join in. Later the juice, toast and fruit are always a very big hit, before we gather together for some singing. All too soon it is 11am and time to head home, unless it is Warm Spaces and just a short wait before soup!

## **Annual Meetings Coming up in April and May**

Each year we have an Annual Parochial Church Meeting in each of our churches. It is our annual meeting. This year the dates will be:

**St Saviour's, Harden 12noon on Sunday 21 April**

**St Matthew's, Wilsden 11am on Sunday 28 April**

It is on this date that we look back on the past year and we have lots to look back on from 2023! It is an opportunity too to thank the Churchwardens, the PCC members and all those who work so hard to make sure our churches run as they should. If you would like to join the Church Councils or are interested in other ways you can help in our churches then please contact Richard.

## **HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

### **Monday in Holy Week (25 March)**

7.30pm Short service at St John's, Cullingworth

### **Tuesday in Holy Week (26 March)**

7.30pm Short service at St Saviour's, Harden

### **Wednesday in Holy Week (27 March)**

7.30pm Short service at Denholme Shared Church

### **Maundy Thursday (28 March)**

7pm Agape Meal at St Matthew's, Wilsden including remembering the Last Supper followed by Vigil until 10pm

### **Good Friday (29 March)**

10am Hot Cross Bun All Age Activities at St Saviour's, Harden

10am Messy Good Friday at Denholme Shared Church

2pm Final Hour of the Cross Reflective Service at Cullingworth

6.30pm Burial of Jesus Service at St Matthew's, Wilsden



## **Donations to our local churches**

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

<b>Account name</b>	<b>Sort Code</b>	<b>Account No</b>
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](mailto:say14me@hotmail.com)

## Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 17 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.

Sunday 17 March	Give thanks for those like St Patrick who have found faith during times of hardship and gone on to share that faith wherever they were called to serve.
Monday 18 March	Pray for people from our communities now living in residential and care homes. Pray that they may feel settled, cared for and loved.
Tuesday 19 March	CMS mission partners working on Bible translation in the Middle East ask for prayer for their work and for translators working with them. Pray for our mission partner Awais and her work with refugees and asylum seekers in the Leeds area.
Wednesday 20 March	Pray for the unhappy people of Sudan where this almost un-reported war continues. The Leprosy Mission asks for prayer for a way forward for their work in Sudan. Abu Rof, the only leprosy clinic in the country, closed in 2023.
Thursday 21 March	Pray for the ongoing situation in Ukraine and for all who have lost family and friends in this conflict.
Friday 22 March	Pray for refugees and for those who work to resolve the situations that drive people from their homes and countries.
Saturday 23 March	Pray for compassion in our society and better times for the most needy and vulnerable.

Contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline: 01535 273814 [pstern155@gmail.com](mailto:pstern155@gmail.com)  
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**Clergy Days Off:** Alison: Thursday, Friday & Saturday  
Liz: Monday, Thursday & Saturday

**Anna: Saturday**  
**Richard: Friday**