



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

Newsletter for 17 May 2026
The Seventh Sunday of Easter
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 20 May

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



Prayer House Group

The Prayer House group will be meeting at Cullingworth Vicarage on Monday 18 May at 7pm.

**St Saviour's church is open every Wednesday afternoon
from 2.30pm until 3.30pm for quiet prayer.**

1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays for private prayer – a quiet space for you to spend time with God, in prayer, in contemplation, maybe even light a candle.

2nd and 4th Wednesdays for prayer and cake – a short, reflective service of Holy Communion or afternoon prayer, followed by tea or coffee and cake.

All are welcome on any of these Wednesdays.

New Team Rector for the Hewenden Benefice!

Rev'd Daniel Furlong will be joining us soon as our Team Rector – here is a message from him -

"I'm really excited to be joining you all in your parishes and discovering all God has for our churches and communities. I have been really impressed and encouraged by all I have seen, and I have been made to feel so welcome already by everyone I have met so far. I really look forward to getting stuck in, making friends, learning from you, and growing together.

I am currently serving as Associate Curate for West Bradford, having previously spent two years working as part of the Team at Girdlington, Heaton and Manningham, so I am no stranger to multi-parish ministry. I was originally born in Southport, Lancashire (for which I can only apologise), but I have been in Bradford since 2010. Prior to ordination, I spent 11 years working for Christians Against Poverty in various specialist and management roles within the Communications, Fundraising and Marketing Teams. As I spend so much of my job in God's house, I like to spend my free time in God's garden – particularly climbing and surfing.

My wife, Jo, is a Primary School Teacher by trade, but took time to work for Christians Against Poverty as a Senior Debt Advisor while the family were young. She is currently working in Early Years Provision within a Primary School. She is a keen walker and budding gardener.

Ariela (10) and Ezra (8) are both looking forward to a new adventure, but are probably getting to that age where anything dad says about them would be embarrassing, so I will let them introduce themselves when we land."

St Saviour's Flowers



If you would like to provide flowers for the church during the year to mark a special occasion or in memory of a family member or friend please sign up on the sheet at the back of church or have a word with

Jean Crerar or Brenda Wilkinson.



At Wilsden Every Friday from 2.00pm to 4.00pm

At Cullingworth Every Tuesday from 1.30 pm to 3.30 pm



Thornton Singers

Present A Summer Concert

At Wilsden Trinity Church

On Saturday 30 May at 7.30pm

Tickets are £10 and are available from church members or on the door
Items include songs from The Beach Boys, James Bond Films and Cole Porter.

Please come and enjoy this musical evening.



St Saviour's additional gardening work - there is a box at the back of the church for donations towards the cost of additional supplementary gardening work, weeding the garden of rest, moss clearing etc.



The next Men's Group Meeting is Wednesday 10th June in Bingley.

There will be an evening walk followed by meal at the Brown Cow.
Further details to follow.



Hewenden Benefice Daily Prayers Can be found on the [Benefice Facebook Page](https://www.facebook.com/hwcdbenefice) <https://www.facebook.com/hwcdbenefice>

8 am Morning Prayer and 9 pm Night Prayer



Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 17 May

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 May	Pray for all who join in worship today, in church buildings throughout the Benefice or following the written services.
Monday 18 May	Pray for elected members and officers of Bradford Council as they adjust to different policies and ways of working together.
Tuesday 19 May	Pray for Members of Parliament facing national and international problems.
Wednesday 20 May	Pray for the work of Shelter, Christians Against Poverty, the Salvation Army and groups helping the homeless in Bradford.
Thursday 21 May	Pray for people in our communities struggling with rising costs.
Friday 22 May	Pray for the housebound in our villages.
Saturday 23 May	Pray for those in our churches and communities who act as good neighbours in quiet and often unseen ways.

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

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