

**Parishes of St. Saviour's Harden & St. Matthew's Wilsden
IN THE BENEFICE OF
HARDEN AND WILSDEN, CULLINGWORTH AND DENHOLME
Newsletter for 2 June 2024
First Sunday of Trinity**


Services Today

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

LEEDS@10 Bradford Episcopal Area Pilgrimage and Service

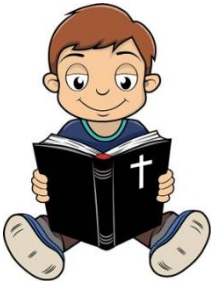
 On Saturday 8 June at 4pm there will be a service at Bradford Cathedral to celebrate ten years of the Diocese of Leeds in this area. People are being encouraged to walk from their parishes and gather at the Cathedral Close for a picnic before the service. Richard will be setting off on foot from Harden Church! If you would like to walk with him please be there for a 12noon departure with your picnic for when we get to the Cathedral. If you would like to be at the service but would rather travel by car that would be brilliant, especially if you can give some of the walkers a lift home after the service!



Benefice Men's Group

The Benefice Men's Group is planning to meet on **Wednesday 19 June** for drinks and a meal at The Brown Cow in Bingley preceded by a short walk (approx 1 hr) yet to be planned. Meet at the pub for the walk at 6.00pm, back by 7.00pm for eating at 7.30pm. Please let Robert know as soon as possible if you would like to attend so that he can book a table: louiseandrobort22@gmail.com

Bible Book Group



Our next Bible Book Group will be at St Matthew's in Wilsden on Thursday 20 June at 7.00pm. We will be discussing the Old Testament books of Hosea and Joel. Richard will start reading Hosea on our [Benefice Facebook Page](#) and our [YouTube Channel](#) from this Monday morning on weekdays. You can also find an overview of the Book of Hosea at [The Bible Project](#). More information about Joel will follow as we come towards the end of Hosea.

Mission Support & Outreach and Social Committee

At Harden and Wilsden we support several charities such as The Leprosy Mission, The Children's Society and CMS for which we have raised funds for many years. Alongside this charity giving we also look to raise money for our churches here at St Saviour's and St Matthew's. Fundraising events have been organised by the Mission Support and Outreach Group and the Social Committee. If you would be interested in becoming part of a team which would look to organise events to support our fundraising please let Richard know.

COFFEE TIME WELCOME SPACE

Tuesday Mornings
11.15am to 12.15pm
St Saviour's Church Hall

Tea, Coffee and a little something with a chat!



Children's Society Collection boxes. The deadline for handing in the boxes is Sunday 23rd June. Please let Jenny have them before then.

We are having an afternoon tea party for the Children's Society on Friday 21st, from 2 to 4 pm in St. Matthews family room. Everyone is welcome and we'll be combining the party with a 'bring and buy sale'. So if you have anything that might be suitable for a sale please bring it along.



Benefice Fantasy Football

Congratulations to Pauline Sharp who brings the Benefice Fantasy Football title to Cullingworth for the first time. Only twenty points behind was Kevin Haley for Harden and in third place Anna from the clergy team. Denholme's top contender was Robert Priestley in sixth and Clive Allsop kept Wilsden in the top ten in ninth. The final table is attached, together with the details of the Benefice Fantasy European Championships Competition!

Let Richard have your team choices by 13 June!



Confirmation

If you are interested or if you know anyone else who might be interested in being confirmed, then please do contact us. Confirmation is a service where people who have been baptised, especially when they were too young to make their own baptismal promises, confirm the promises that were made at baptism. It is a service where the bishop prays for the candidates to be confirmed by the Holy Spirit. The minimum age in the diocese for confirmations is 11 and there is no upper age limit!

STORYTIME AT ST JOHN'S

This month, Wednesday 12 June is the date for Storytime Club at St John's in Cullingworth. It runs from 2pm to 2.45pm for pre-school children and their carers. Come for a story, activities and books to borrow!



Harden & Wilsden 100+ Club May Winners

Congratulations to the winners the April draw,
drawn by Alison last Sunday
£25 was won by Michael Richardson with No 16
£10 was won by Sue Hillas with 46

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 have been asked to pray together for Paul, that he will receive a new kidney as soon as possible. Please continue too to pray for Sudan and for the situation in the Holy Land. Please pray too for the General Election, for those standing and that people will find wisdom as they consider who to vote for.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 2 June

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 2 June	Pray for victims of recent floods and landslides and for helpers who put themselves at risk to save lives.
Monday 3 June	As we have constant reminders of the effects of climate change, pray for responsible use of the Earth's resources by countries and individuals.
Tuesday 4 June	Pray for people of any nationality and faith suffering in the conflict in Gaza, and that political leaders may find a way to bring peace and stability to the region.
Wednesday 5 June	Pray for Sudan and our Christian partners there.
Thursday 6 June	Pray for the victims of war in Ukraine.
Friday 7 June	Pray for our country and the political decisions that lie ahead.
Saturday 8 June	Pray for Bishop Toby and for work and ministry throughout Bradford Episcopal Area and its role within the Diocese of Leeds.

Contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline: 01535 273814 pstern155@gmail.com
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Note we can only mention people, by name, in the newsletter with their consent.

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

Anna: Saturday
Richard: Friday