



**Parishes of St. Saviour's Harden & St. Matthew's Wilsden
IN THE BENEFICE OF
HARDEN AND WILSDEN, CULLINGWORTH AND DENHOLME
Newsletter for 23 March 2025
The Third Sunday of Lent
Today's Services**

9.30am Morning Worship at St Matthew's, Wilsden
9.30am Communion at St John's, Cullingworth
10.30am Communion at Denholme Shared Church
11.15am Morning Worship at St Saviour's, Harden
6.00pm Holy Communion at St Matthew's, Wilsden
6.00pm BCP Holy Communion at St John's, Cullingworth

Midweek Services this Wednesday

10.00am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth
2.30pm Prayer and Cake at Harden

Anna's Licensing Date

Anna is to be licensed in her new post in Honley with Brockholes on Sunday 18 May. Save the date. We will look to co-ordinate transport for all who wish to go!

**Please pray each day in Lent
for Peace and Justice in Sudan**

Thank you to The Rev'd Dale Barton who preached at Wilsden and Harden about life in Sudan last Sunday. He is coming to St John's, Cullingworth this week at 9.30am.



LENT 2025



During Lent, we are holding our Lent course on Thursday Mornings, 10.30 to 12noon at Denholme Shared Church and Thursday Evenings, 7.00pm to 8.30pm at St John's, Cullingworth.

Our Lent course is following a book called: "Let me go there: The Spirit of Lent"

which is a course written by Paula Gooder. Copies are available for £8.99.

And over the 96 days from Ash Wednesday to Pentecost Sunday Richard will be reading all four Gospels on our Benefice Facebook Page and YouTube Channel.

Warm Spaces

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

**FINAL
WEEK!**



Help Needed at Chatterbox!

We are looking for a volunteer to help in the running of the Chatterbox Toddler Group at Harden. The Group runs in Term Time on Tuesday mornings from 9am to 11am. We are looking for someone who is particularly able to get out the toys and games at the beginning and put them away at the end and be a presence in the group when it is on. DBS check will be required.

Wilsden Craft & Chat

Afternoon Teas, Coffees and Cakes

Friday 28 March

2pm to 4pm

Raising Money for Admiral Nurses

Bring and Buy Stall



Well Being Café

Tuesday 25 March

St Matthew's, Wilsden 2pm to 3.30pm

Come along for chat, company, cake and community.



St Matthew's@50

We are celebrating St Matthew's 50th Anniversary on

Sunday 4 May at 4pm

Bishop Toby is coming to Preach.

It will also be Anna's final service with us.

Everyone is welcome to come along for a special service.

St Matthew's New Electoral Roll

Under the Church Representation Rules it is necessary every six years to prepare a completely new Electoral Roll and 2025 is the year for us to do this at St. Matthew's.

If you are currently included in St. Matthew's Electoral Roll you will need to complete a new form to be included in the new roll. Margaret Harrison will give you a form to complete and return as soon as possible. Forms will also be available for anyone who would like to join the roll. Further information from Margaret Harrison 01535 272305. Being on the roll allows you to vote at our Annual Meeting which takes place this year on the 11th May.

St Saviour's New Electoral Roll

Under the Church Representation Rules it is necessary every 6 years to prepare a completely new electoral roll and 2025 is a year of preparation of a new roll for St Saviour's.

If you are currently included in St Saviour's Electoral Roll **you must complete and return a new form by 1st April 2025 to be included in the new roll.** Forms are also available for anyone who would like to join the Electoral Roll for the first time.

Being on the roll allows you to vote at our Annual Meeting which takes place this year on the 27th April. If you require any further information please contact Pauline Stern, St Saviours Electoral Roll Officer. Tel 01535 273814

pstern155@gmail.com

Safeguarding Training

Safeguarding Foundations Training:

St John's Church, Cullingworth

7pm Tuesday 22 April 2025

Domestic Abuse Awareness Training:

Denholme Shared Church

7pm Tuesday 13 May 2025

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 23 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 23 March	Pray for all who join in worship and reflection throughout our Benefice during Lent, in churches, on line or using the written material at home.
Monday 24 March	Pray for all who have enjoyed warmth and company at the weekly Warm Spaces offered throughout the Benefice.
Tuesday 25 March	Pray for families receiving help and support through the work of our local food banks.
Wednesday 26 March	Pray for volunteers who run groups supporting pre-school children and their families in our communities.
Thursday 27 March	Pray for parish and district councillors representing our villages, particularly as Wilsden's Neighbourhood Plan is considered.
Friday 28 March	Give thanks for the beautiful countryside around us and pray for more responsible use of the earth's resources here and throughout the world.
Saturday 29 March	Pray for all who work for peace in the many troubled areas of the world.

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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Donations to our local churches

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Parish of St Matthews, Wilsden	40-23-05	42128918

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