



**Parishes of St. Saviour's Harden & St. Matthew's Wilsden
IN THE BENEFICE OF
HARDEN AND WILSDEN, CULLINGWORTH AND DENHOLME
Newsletter for 9 February 2025**

**The Fourth Sunday before Lent
Today's Services**

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| 9.30am | All Age Worship, St Matthew's, Wilsden |
| 9.30am | Communion at St John's, Cullingworth |
| 10.30am | Sunday Service at Denholme Shared Church |
| 11.15am | All Age Worship, St Saviour's, Harden |
| 3.45 pm | Messy Church at St John's, Cullingworth |



Midweek Services on Wednesday

- 10.00am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth
- 2.30pm Prayer and cake at Harden

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



Please keep praying for peace in Sudan



LUNCH CLUB

12noon on Thursdays at St Saviour's.
£4 for a two course meal
No booking required

'England and the Church'

Three Evenings with John Chuter

We have been enjoying a series of three talks covering early Christianity in England, its growth before and after the Reformation and the role of the Church of England. We have heard two talks so far. The first covered the coming of Christianity to England, the second the time from The Norman Conquest to the Reformation.

The Final talk is on Thursday 20 February at 7.30pm in the St John's Room at Cullingworth Church. The Subject will be:

'The Church of England – from the Reformation to the Present Day'

The talk will be followed by a time for questions and discussion.

Everyone is welcome. Attendance at the previous talks is not essential.



Wilsden Men's Shed

St Matthews Church, Wilsden

Thursday 27 February 10am

The Mobile Police Museum

A 60 minute talk about 120 years of UK Policing
by David Hardcastle.

£3, including Refreshments. All welcome!



Chatterbox Toddler Group

Tuesday, 9am at St Saviour's Church Hall. Come along and enjoy toys and chat, snacks and songs. It is a wonderful gathering and a great place for parents, grandparents or carers to bring toddlers for play and a chance to meet others.



Messy Church in February

Sunday 9 February 3.45pm at St John's, Cullingworth

Wednesday 12 February 3.30pm at St Matthew's, Wilsden

Wednesday 19 February 3.30pm, Denholme Shared Church

If you have any Bradford Council Issues ...

Our Local Councillor is Paul Sullivan. Paul holds regular surgeries and can be contacted by email at: paul.sullivan@bradford.gov.uk

Please pray for all our area and village councillors in their work as they take responsibility for our communities. And pray for our MP, Anna Dixon as she represents us in Parliament and for The Bishop of Leeds in his role in the House of Lords.



Craft & Chat is at St Matthew's

2pm to 4pm on Fridays

Come along to chat while you craft

Excellent refreshments and fellowship.

New craft and chatters always welcome!

LENT 2025

Ash Wednesday this year will be on Wednesday 5 March, beginning our journey towards Holy Week and Easter Day on Sunday 20 April.

During Lent we will be 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 will follow a resource 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.



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

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 9 February

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 9 February	Pray for Members of Parliament. Pray for those holding appointments of great responsibility.
Monday 10 February	Pray for the elected representatives for Bingley Rural Ward on Bradford Council.
Tuesday 11 February	Pray for members of town and parish councils in our villages and give thanks for their willingness to undertake this work for the common good
Wednesday 12 February	Pray for compassion in our society and better times for the most needy and vulnerable.
Thursday 13 February	Pray for the people of Ukraine and for an end to the war. Pray that world leaders may be guided in the ways of peace.
Friday 14 February	Pray for the Sudanese people, remember our Christian brothers and sisters among the poorest who have lost so much.
Saturday 15 February	Pray that the cease-fire agreements in Gaza will last and lead the way to acceptable settlements for the whole region.

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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From a Parish Newsletter:

For those who have children and don't know it, we run toddler groups at our churches.

And from a Service Sheet:

The third verse of the hymn "Blessed Assurance" will be sung without musical accomplishment.