

# Newsletter for 17th September

Welcome to church today. We hope and pray that you will enjoy your time here and that you may encounter the presence of the living God. If you are a visitor then the following information may be helpful.

- We have a loop system, if appropriate switch hearing aids to "T".
- We have large print copies of most worship material please ask.
- Gluten free wafers are available please request before the service begins.
- Whatever your tradition, you are welcome to share in Holy Communion.
- Toilet facilities are available including baby changing and disabled facilities.
- We hope you will join us for refreshments after the service.

Please take this sheet home with you!

Please pray for Sophia Anna Woloseckyj being baptised at St. Saviour's today, and for her parents, godparents, family and friends.

Sunday 1	7 September	Trinity 14		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Exodus 14:19 end	Matthew 18:21-35
Wilsden	11.00 am	Café Church		
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion	Exodus 14:19 end	Matthew 18:21-35
Harden	1.30 pm	Baptism		

## **Next Week's Services**

Wilsden	9.30 am	Morning Worship
Wilsden	11.00 am	Café Church
Harden	11.15 am	Morning Worship
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Holy Communion

**St. Saviour's flowers** were given last week by Mollie Wood in memory of her mother. This week they have been given by June Thompson in memory of Mum and Dad.

### Next week's diary

Weds	10.00 am	Holy Communion at St. Matthew's
Thurs	7.30 pm	St. Matthew's Day Holy Communion at St. Matthew's

**St. Matthew's Combined Service and Lunch** On Sunday 1st October the traditional and Café Church congregations will join together for a Holy Communion Service **at 11am** followed by a Harvest Ploughman's lunch. Please sign the list in church.

**Benefice pre-vacancy meeting** All members, lay and ordained, of the four church councils are requested to attend a meeting on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm at St. Matthew's church to consider practical arrangements for the "vacancy". The Archdeacon, Area Dean and Area Lay Chair will be present. The process leading to the appointment of a new team rector will be discussed. Those invited but unable to attend should give apologies via a PCC member who can attend.

**Wilsden Trinity Church** have produced an entertaining Harvest Quiz to support their boiler fund. Question sheets priced £1 are available from Sandra Haigh.

**Thank you** for all your prayers and support before and during our mission to Tanzania. If you are interested in finding out how we went on, please come along to St. Matthews Wilsden on Thursday 28th September at 7.30pm where we are doing a presentation of our trip. All are welcome.

**Our next Alpha course** will begin in January 2018. Alpha is the most significant event in our church calendar and is a tremendous course for anyone wishing to explore (or refresh) the Christian faith. If you are willing to support the course, whether by leading a group or helping with the catering, please come along to a meeting in the vicarage on Tuesday September 26<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. If you are unable to attend but want to help, contact Bob or lan.

**Basic Social Media Training** If you are interested in learning more about Facebook, Instagram and/or Twitter but don't know your 'like' from your 'tweet', or are worried about safety & privacy, pop along to Helen Ludkin's house with your phone, tablet or lap top for an informal evening of explanation & help. October 3rd, 7pm.

Helen

**Our next Curry Night** will be at the Cardamon in Bingley at 6.45pm on Sunday 1st October. Everyone is welcome including guests, family and friends. Booking is essential by 24th September. Contact Helen by email or on 07788848830.

**Autumn Lunch - Sunday 15th October**. St. Saviour's are hosting a lunch after the service. This will be homemade soup and apple pie and cream. Donations for the meal will be for Christian Aid. Please sign up on the list if you will be attending or ring June Thompson 01535 273787 so that we know how many to cater for. Thank you.

**Inn Churches** On October 5<sup>th</sup> Alan Mottershead will be sleeping out overnight under Forster Square railway arches as part of the annual "Suits on the Street" event, raising both awareness of homelessness and funds for the Inn Churches charity. If you would like to sponsor him, his sponsorship page can be found at:

https://icsuits17.everydayhero.com/uk/motty-sleeping-out-on-the-streets.

If you would like more information Alan can be contacted on 07894547153.

Launch of New Home Groups Since the Alpha 2017 course ended, groups have continued to meet together to share, study, pray and support one another. Most of us want to continue this autumn and we invite others to join us in new groups. Meetings will be fortnightly. If you are interested please sign the list in church today and indicate all the times you would be available.

Bob

## **Dates for your Diary**

Thurs 21 Sept	7.30 pm	Preparation meeting at Bradford Cathedral for those interested in the 2018 Khartoum group visit.
Tues 26 Sept	7.30 pm	"Planning for Alpha 2018" at the vicarage.
Thurs 28 Sept	7.30 pm	lan & Joan's Tanzania highlights at St. Matthew's.
Fri 29 Sept	2.00 – 4.00 pm	Macmillan coffee and cakes at St. Matthew's.
Sun 1 Oct	11.00 am	Combined service at St. Matthew's followed by lunch.
Sun 1 Oct	6.45 pm	Curry night at Cardamon, Bingley.
Tue 3 Oct	7.00 pm	Basic Social Media Training at Helen Ludkin's home
Thurs 5 Oct	8.00 pm	Benefice meeting at St. Matthew's
Sun 15 Oct	12.15 pm	Autumn Lunch in aid of Christian Aid at St. Saviour's
Sun 29 Oct	5.00 pm	Farewell Service and party – venue to be confirmed.

#### Prayer chains at St. Matthew's and St. Saviour's.

St. Matthew's: phone Margaret Harrison 272305. (Reserve is Dorothy 01274 497898)

St. Saviour's: phone June Thompson 273787. (Reserve is Hazel 274234)

Please keep in prayer those who are not well and those who are no longer able to join us at our services: Beatrice Waddington, Alice Griffiths and Edwina Butterfield.

**Please remember** Anne and Chris Raine following the death of Anne's Mum. and please remember Karen Mottershead who will be undergoing surgery for recently diagnosed skin cancer.

Please pray for:

Jidenna Jude Ezeugo to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Sept Charlie Benjamin Sproson to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Oct and Ellie Winnie Smith to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct and for their parents and godparents.

## Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 17th September

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.

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Sun 17 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for our parishes and those who will be considering future ministry here.		
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for anyone in our communities facing redundancy		
Tue 19th	Pray for employed and employers, that they treat each other with fairness and respect.		
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup>	Pray for Mavis and Gordon, that their holiday may be a time of rest and refreshment and their travelling go smoothly.		
Thur 21st	On St. Matthew's Day pray for those worshipping at St. Matthew's this evening and remember with gratitude all those who have served the parish faithfully over the years.		
Fri 22nd	Pray for St. Matthew's role in the Places of Welcome scheme and that what we offer may be of real use.		
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Pray for growth within our congregations and that we may have confidence to share our faith.		

If you become aware of a date contact Pauline Stern so that we can keep the parish diary up to date and please give contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline (and copy to David Haigh and vicar Bob) Tel: 01535 273814 Email: pstern155@gmail.com

Copy Deadline: 12.00h on the WEDNESDAY before publication TEXT reminder service for Pick'n'Mix: Text name to 07789 895949

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