

Newsletter for 29 April 2018

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!

Sunday 29 April			Easter 5	
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Acts 8:26-end	John 15:1-8
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church		
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion	Acts 8:26-end	John 15:1-8

Next Sunday's Services		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion

This week's diary

Wed	10.00 am	Holy Communion at St. Matthew's
Wed	3.00 pm	Roots After School Club at St. Saviour's
Fri	2.00 pm	Chat and Craft at St. Matthew's
Sat	1.00 pm	Lego Club at St. Matthew's

John Hansen wants to thank everyone very much for their good wishes and visits. He loves having visitors and is now in Cottingley Hall, room 30. Visiting is anytime but they prefer that we avoid mealtimes, around noon and 5pm.

Bob Evans says "Dear all, it seems to have gone well, bit sore and croaky but pretty good! Praise God! NHS is amazing. Thanks for your prayers." **Please continue to remember Bob and Suzanne in your prayers.**

Curry night. The next curry night will be May 6th - names to Helen by **today** please.

Chat and Craft at St. Matthew's. For all who enjoy knitting, sewing or any other handicrafts, why not bring your crafts along to work alongside others for a couple of hours? We will be meeting in the family room at St. Matthew's, Wilsden on Friday afternoons from 2pm until 4pm - plenty of time to craft and chat, maybe even learn some new skills from other crafters. And if you just want to chat, that is fine too! Refreshments will be available. Free entrance, but donations for refreshments. Everyone is welcome. Looking forward to seeing you.

Walking Treasure Hunt in Cullingworth on 12th May ending in a Vicarage Garden Party. The Walking Treasure Hunt sets off from the Vicarage at 2.30pm and should end at the Vicarage about an hour later. There will be refreshments in Cullingworth Vicarage Garden. The walk is not too challenging and is suitable for all ages.

St. Saviour's May Coffee Morning. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE! This will now be held on Saturday 26th May, thus avoiding a clash with a royal wedding! Please make a note in your diary! Donations of jars and bottles (jam, sauce, squash, vinegar etc.) would be welcome! Thanks to everyone for their support!

Wanted! We need more members of the congregation to take an active part in the services by reading the lessons. The commitment is small, usually once per month or less, and it is always easy to swap duties with someone else if a particular date is unsuitable. If you are interested, have a word with David Haigh at Wilsden or Pauline Stern at Harden.

Intercessors for Harden and Wilsden The intercessions teams would welcome new members to help with this crucial role in the life of our church. If you feel that you could join them in offering prayers in our services, please talk to the church wardens or to Liz Moy. Training would be offered to potential volunteers who would be gently eased into their new role. Do please think about this.

Village Welcome Pack. Do continue to look out for any newcomers in your locality and call with a Welcome Pack. This offers a wealth of information about church and community activities in Harden and Wilsden and is a useful introduction for new arrivals. Packs are stored in the vicar's vestry in St. Matthew's and in the choir vestry in St. Saviour's. Please record the address you have visited on the list at the back of church. More information from Helen Ludkin and Helen Keighley.

Ascension Day at Bradford Cathedral - Sunday 13 May 2018

The ten days from Ascension Day to Pentecost have been increasingly recognised, around the world and across the denominations, as a time for Christians to pray for others to find faith in Jesus.

To encourage churches, during the ten days of Thy Kingdom Come, there will be a Diocesan Celebration on Sunday 13 May from 3pm - 6pm at Bradford Cathedral. There will be worship led by the Voices in Praise Gospel Choir from the New Testament Church of God in Leeds and Joe King and band. There will be prayer spaces and creative ways of engaging with the priorities of Thy Kingdom Come; Information stalls from various organisations; a talk from Bishop Nick; workshops; refreshments and resources. The event is suitable for all ages. You can book via:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/thy-kingdom-come-diocesan-celebration-tickets-43503186201 Or Contact Canon Paul Maybury for more information tkc@bradfordcathedral.org

Thy Kingdom Come – week commencing 14th May 2018. The four churches of the Benefice will be open from 10.00 until noon for prayer as we pray with other Christians everywhere, for our world. More details to follow.

Dates for your diary

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Sun 6 May	6.45 pm	Curry Night – names to Helen Ludkin by 29th April please	
Sat 12 May	2.30 pm	Walking treasure hunt in Cullingworth	
Wed 16 May	7.30pm	Team Council Meeting at St. Matthew's	
Sun 20 May	6.00 pm	Churches Together Pentecost Service at St John's, Cullingworth	
Sat 26 May	10.00 am	Coffee Morning at St. Saviour's	

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 also for those who are no longer able to join us at our services: Beatrice Waddington, Alice Griffiths, Edwina Butterfield, Shirley Helliwell Jones and John Hansen

Please pray for: Chris Mitchell, one of our night shelter stalwarts, and his family.

Please pray for: Jonathan Duke and Kirsty Jennings who were married at St. Saviour's yesterday.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 29th April

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	29-Apr	Pray for all at Cafe Church and that this congregation may grow.
Mon	30-Apr	Pray for compassion in society and better times for the most needy and vulnerable.
Tue	01-May	Pray for those who are helped by Bingley food bank.
Wed	02-May	Pray for guests, carers and helpers at the Well Being cafe today.
Thu	03-May	Pray for your friends and neighbours, for needs and anxieties we may not be aware of.
Fri	04-May	Pray for residents and staff at Laurel Bank and other residential homes caring for people from our villages.
Sat	05-May	Pray for those from our communities or otherwise known to you who are in hospital at this time.

Please give contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline - Tel: 01535 273814 Email: pstern155@gmail.com_(and copy to David Haigh: david@haigh.demon.co.uk and Helen Ludkin) **Copy Deadline**: 12.00h on the **WEDNESDAY** before publication

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St. Matthew's Family Room: to discuss booking the Family Room please ring 07788848830