

Newsletter for 6 May 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 6 May		Easter 6		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Acts 10:44-48	John 15:9-17
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church		
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion	Acts 10:44-48	John 15:9-17

Next Sunday's Services		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Pick 'n' Mix
Harden	11.15 am	Pick 'n' Mix
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Evening Prayer

This week's diary

Wed	10.45 am	Home Communion at Laurel Bank
Wed	2.30 pm	Prayer & Cake at St Saviour's
Wed	3.00 pm	Roots After School Club at St. Saviour's
Wed	3.30 pm	Messy Church at St Matthew's
Fri	2.00 pm	Chat and Crafts for Pick 'n' Mix at St. Matthew's

Bob Evans writes: "Thank you everyone for your prayers. I'm at home recovering, pain is reducing, liver and kidney functions slowly improving and starting to get out a little. So grateful." **Please continue to remember Bob and Suzanne in your prayers.**

Alfred Fowler 150th Anniversary. Wilsden Parish Council are celebrating the life of their famous son with two free events. There will be a Science Fair for families at Trinity Church on Saturday 12th May 2pm - 4pm, followed by a talk about Fowler's life at 7pm in the evening. See posters around the village for more information.

Walking Treasure Hunt in Cullingworth Next Saturday 12th May, 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 the 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!

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.

St. Saviour's church flowers. The list is available at the back of church for you to offer to give flowers to celebrate a special occasion or to remember loved ones. The flower team would very much welcome offers of help to arrange the flowers, please speak to Jean Crerar or Liz Hartley if you are able to help.

100 Club draw winners for April -

1st Prize - 18 - Audrey Marsden 2nd Prize - 54 - Sue Mitchell

Crafts for Pick'n'Mix. The next session for preparing crafts for Pick'n'Mix will be on Friday 11 May at 2pm at St. Matthew's, running alongside the chat and craft session. All are welcome. Refreshments will be provided.

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 – details below in diary dates

Dates for your diary

Sat 12 May	2.30 pm	Walking treasure hunt in Cullingworth
Mon 14 May	10.00 - noon	St. Matthew's open for prayer for Thy Kingdom Come
Wed 16 May	10.00 - noon	St. John's open for prayer for Thy Kingdom Come
Wed 16 May	7.30pm	Team Council Meeting at St. Matthew's
Thur 17 May	10.00 - noon	St. Saviour's open for prayer for Thy Kingdom Come
Fri 18 May	10.00 - noon	Denholme Shared Church open for prayer for Thy Kingdom Come
Sun 20 May	6.00 pm	Churches Together Pentecost Service at St. John's
Sat 26 May	10.00 am	Coffee Morning at St. Saviour's
Wed 27 Jun		Men's group meeting

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 no longer able to join us at our services: Beatrice Waddington, Alice Griffiths, Edwina Butterfield and Shirley Helliwell Jones.

Please continue to pray for Bob and Suzanne as Bob recovers from surgery and waits for further treatment.

Please continue to pray for John Hansen and for Chris Mitchell, one of our night shelter stalwarts, and his family.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 6th May

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	06-May	Pray for our Archdeacon Andy Jolley.		
Mon	07-May	Pray for Bishop Nick, Bishop Toby and the other area bishops in our diocese.		
Tue	08-May	Pray for the work of Churches Together throughout our benefice.		
Wed	09-May	Pray for our churches to grow and that we will have confidence to share our faith with those we meet.		
Thu	10-May	Pray for those who run luncheon clubs and groups for senior citizens in Wilsden and Harden.		
Fri	11-May	Pray for the work of CMS remembering particularly our mission partner Awais and her work with refugees and asylum seekers in Leeds.		
Sat	12-May	Pray for Archbishop Ezekiel and the Episcopal Church in Sudan and particularly that the necessary sponsorship and permits may fall into place to allow a man called Joe to remain in the country and work as an accountant for the Church.		

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