

Newsletter for 19th November

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 19 November			Second Sunday	in Advent
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Zephaniah 1: 7,12-18	Matthew 25 : 14-30
Wilsden	11.00 am	Café Church		
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion	Zephaniah 1: 7,12-18	Matthew 25 : 14-30

Next Week's Services

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

Farewell and Thank You We are overwhelmed by the lovely cards and farewell messages you have given us. The Farewell Service was wonderful and the food and drink just perfect. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make it happen. We really enjoyed having all four churches together; it was such a special event. Your gift is deeply appreciated, and we thank you for your generosity. Should you wish to keep in touch then our new address will be 'Heeley Vicarage', 151 Gleadless Road, Sheffield, S2 3AE. The land line will be 0114 2557718. We hope to keep in touch with you and we will hold you in prayer.

Next week's diary

Tues	7.30 pm	Bradford Episcopal Area Forum at Bradford Forster Academy
Weds	10.45 am	Home Communion at Laurel Bank
Wed	2.30 pm Holy Communion with Cake at St. Saviour's	
Wed	evening	Bob's induction service in Sheffield

Bob's Installation on 22nd November. We now have a larger 49 seater coach but only four places remain, so book now! The fare is £10 return. Call John Hansen on 275937. The coach will leave from outside Harden Congregational Church at 5.05 pm and from St. Matthew's at 5.10. **It cannot wait for stragglers** so don't be late!

Night Shelter St. Matthew's will again host an Inn Churches night shelter, from Tuesday 26th December to Monday1st January. The layout of St. Matthew's lends itself to the shelter but the project is supported by the churches in the four villages and, perhaps more importantly, by the wider community.

The charity provides 12 beds a night over the coldest months of the year, in a different partner church each week.

Unlike many hostels, Inn Churches is able to offer beds to people with 'no recourse to public funds' – for instance failed asylum seekers, people who've been trafficked, or partners of those with residency rights whose relationships have broken down.

We are seeking volunteers to help with cooking, to make the guests feel at home, and in particular to provide care overnight.

If you feel able to help with this worthwhile project, have a look at the rotas in the family rooms and contact David Haigh at david@haigh.demon.co.uk or 01535 274225. If you would like to contribute to the cost of the project, Clive Allsop and Deborah Allwood will accept donations.

Items for the Newsletter if you have any items you wish to be included in the newsletter would you please ensure that you send them to Pauline Stern and also copy them to both David Haigh and Helen Ludkin.

St. Saviour's Turkey & Tinsel.

Festive food & drink. Saturday 16th December 10.30 am to 2.00 pm.

Please make a note in your diary to come and enjoy this popular event.

Contributions for the Christmas Hamper would be very welcome and these may be left in the Coffee Morning box in the Choir Vestry.

St. Saviour's Carol Service Sunday 17th December.

We are looking for 2 people to prepare and serve warm mince pies and mulled wine after the Carol Service. The pies and wine will be provided by Church.

Please have a word with June Thompson if you can help.

Christmas in Cullingworth The village carol service will be held at St. John's on Wednesday 13th December at 6pm with contributions from Parkside School and the community choir, followed on Tuesday 19th December by Carols in the George at 7.30pm

Sudan Link Calendars now available from Astrid. Lovely pictures and topics for prayer. A5 £2, A4 £4

Fair Trade. Thanks to everyone who supported the event in St. Matthew's on Saturday 2nd November. It was a sociable occasion, with a very satisfactory turn-over. A donation of £75 has been sent to Traidcraft Exchange, the charity arm of the Traidcraft organisation which provides training and support for farmers and producers in the developing world.

Dates for your Diary

Thurs 30 Nov	7.00 pm	PCC meeting at St. Matthew's
Sun 26 Nov	6.00 pm	Switching on the Christmas lights in Wilsden Park
Sun 3 Dec	6.30 pm	Switching on the Christmas lights in Harden
Sun 3 Dec	6.45 pm	Curry Night (names to Helen by 26th Nov please)
Thurs 14 Dec	7.00 pm	Carols in the Pub at the New Inn Wilsden
Sat 16 Dec	10.30 to 2.00 pm	'Turkey and Tinsel' at St. Saviour's.
Sat 16 Dec	11.00 am	Carols at Stephen Smith's
Sun 17 Dec	6.30 pm	Carol Services at St. Saviour's & St. Matthew's
Tues 19 Dec	10.30 am	Carols at Laurel Bank

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:

Karen Mottershead who is awaiting results after her surgery. Beatrice Waddington, Alice Griffiths and Edwina Butterfield.

Please pray for:

Hudson Ronnie Hirst-Perrett to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 26th November Arabella Leni Grace Pickles, Kirsty Louise Pickles and William Hartley Pickles, to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 17th December, and for their parents and godparents.

Please pray for the family and friends of Kathleen Askham.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 12th November

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 Nov 19	Remembering the life and work of St Hilda, pray for women in leadership and teaching roles in the church today, especially for Rt. Revd Helen-Ann Hartley who will be Bishop of Ripon.		
Mon 20th	Pray for the many bereaved or injured in the recent earthquake in Iran and Iraq, and for those helping them.		
Tues 21st	Pray for children and teachers in the secondary schools children from our villages attend.		
Wed 22nd	Pray for Bob at his induction as Vicar of Christchurch, Heeley.		
Thur 23rd	Pray for our churches to grow and that we will have confidence to share our faith with those we meet.		
Fri 24th	Pray for all the team of clergy ministering in this benefice during the vacancy.		
Sat 25th	Pray for those who have responsibility for appointing a new Team Rector.		

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)

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