





# Newsletter for 11 November 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".s
- 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 11 November			Remembrance	
Wilsden	9.30 am	Pick 'n' Mix		
Wilsden	10.45 am	Remembrance at the Cenotaph		
Harden	10.45 am	Remembrance at the Cenotaph		
Harden	11.15 am	Pick 'n' Mix		
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Holy Communion	n Jonah 3 :1-5,10	Mark 1 :14-20

.Next Sunday's services - 2 <sup>nd</sup> before Advent			
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion	
Wilsden	11.00 am	Café Church	
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion	

Diary for the next week

Wed	10.45am	Home Communion at Laurel Bank	
Wed	3.30 pm	Messy Church at St. Matthew's	
Thurs	7.00 pm Bible study session 8 at St. John's		
Fri	2.00 pm - 4.00 pm Craft and Chat at St. Matthew's		
Sat	10.00 am	m Bible study session 8 at St. John's	
Sat	10.00 - noon	Coffee Morning at St. Saviour's	

Please note that Prayer and Cake at St. Saviour's on Wednesday 14 November has been **cancelled** 

**Fair Trade Festival.** Thank you to everyone who supported this event in any way. It was a lively occasion with visitors from across the benefice and even farther afield.

Trade was brisk and a donation of £100 has been sent to Traidcraft Exchange.

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November at St. Saviour's.** Join us for our last coffee morning of 2018 as we look forward to a festive celebration of - 'Turkey and Tinsel' on 15<sup>th</sup> December - with turkey, mince pies and our Grand Christmas Draw! Bring your friends and family! All welcome.

At the Turkey and Tinsel event we are having a £2 bag stall and we hope that you will contribute towards this. We are looking for gifts worth £2 to go into a gift bag and would welcome donations. Please leave in the coffee morning box in the choir vestry.

There will be an **Advent Course** offered in Denholme for 4 weeks starting after the Bible Course finishes. There is a sign-up sheet in both Churches. If you are interested, please add your name and your preferred session – either Wednesday evening or Thursday morning. We hope that many of you will join us.

**Mission Support News.** There is a new letter from our CMS partner Awais. In it she describes some of her work with asylum seekers and refugees, helping with language skills and intercultural understanding. She mentions her visit to our parishes in July and our wait for a new Team Rector. The newsletter includes a photograph taken at St Saviour's.

The letter will be on the Mission Support board in St. Matthew's family room for a couple of weeks, then at St. Saviour's. Please have a look and use her news to inform your prayers.

### Inn Churches Night Shelter Wilsden 26th – 31st December

For the fourth year in a row, St. Matthew's will be hosting a night shelter for the homeless between Christmas and New Year. The project began as part of St. Matthew's outreach to the community, but from the beginning it has had enormous support from church members in all four villages. This is an excellent example of the way in which the benefice can work together to further our Christian calling to care for others.

The project is labour intensive, with twenty volunteer slots to be filled for each of the five nights. We need cleaners, catering teams for breakfast and dinner, greeting teams for the evenings and especially volunteers to stay and care for our guests overnight.

If you feel able to volunteer for one of these roles, have a look at the rota at the back of church or in the family room, or on the St. Matthew's website, www.stmatthewswilsden.org.uk and email David Haigh on:

david@haigh.demon.co.uk.

If you would like more information about the shelter, feel free to ring David on 01535 274225.

The night shelter is just one part of Inn Churches' work to support the homeless and those living on the margins of our society. To learn more about this unique Bradford charity, visit their web-site at www.innchurches.co.uk

## **Calling all Intercessors** There will be an evening session on:

Tuesday 4th December 7.15 – 9pm at:

Denholme Shared Church, Keighley Rd, Denholme, Bradford BD13 4JT

This session aims to inspire you to grow in confidence for leading intercessions by taking you through the what, why and how of this important role.

## **Dates for your diary**

Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	PCC meeting at St. Matthew's at 7.00 pm	
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Brass Band Concert at St. John's, Cullingworth at 7.30 pm	
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Advent Service at St. Matthew's at 6.30 pm	
Weds 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Benefice Men's Group Christmas Meal at the Ling Bob at 7.30 pm	
Sat 15th Dec	Turkey & Tinsel at St. Saviour's	
Wed 26th Dec – Monday 31st Dec Night shelter at St. Matthew'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** Beatrice Waddington, Alice Griffiths and all those who are no longer able to join us at our services.

**Please pray** for the family of Mrs Rita South who passed away in Laurel Bank this week. Her funeral will be at Nab Wood on 14<sup>th</sup> November.

### Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 11th 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.

Sun	11-Nov	Remember those who have died in past wars. Pray for men and women serving in this country's armed forces, that they may carry out their duties with courage and humanity.
Mon	12-Nov	Pray for peace with justice in the many troubled parts of the world.
Tue	13-Nov	Pray for those who lead this country, for wisdom, for a genuine call to service and willingness to work together for the common good.
Wed	14-Nov	Pray for our CMS partner Awais as she begins a new session with the language project at St Aidan's in Leeds. Pray that God guides her and gives her wisdom to help her new students.
Thu	15-Nov	Pray for those who are working to find the right person to be our new Team Rector.
Fri	16-Nov	Pray for those who work outdoors in all weathers to support the life and wellbeing of our communities.
Sat	17-Nov	Pray for those who quietly make sure our churches are clean and tidy and set out ready for our services.

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 *Please note we can only mention people, by name, in the newsletter with their consent.* 

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