





## Newsletter for 9th February 2020

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 9 February			3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Len	t
Wilsden	9.30 am	Pick 'n' Mix		
Harden	11.15 am	Pick 'n' Mix		
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Holy Communion	Isaiah 58: 1 -9a	Matthew 5: 13-20

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

Diary for the next week

Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	10.45 am	Home Communion at Laurel Bank
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	2.30 pm	Prayer and Cake at St. Saviour's
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	3.30 pm	Messy Church at St. Matthew's
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	2.00 pm	Craft & Chat at St. Matthew's
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	'Love' Auction at 34 Harden Lane, Wilsden in support of St. Matthew's sponsored children.
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Coffee Morning at St. Saviour's

## **Dates for your diary**

Sat 29th Feb	10–12 noon	Fair Trade Coffee Morning at St. Matthew's
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	12.15pm	Lent Lunch at St. Saviour's
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> April		Annual Parochial Church Meetings

**Open the Book:** This is an excellent way for us to bring Bible Stories into schools. It is something that we would like to introduce with our friends across the Bingley Rural Churches Together.

It will mean meeting at the very most once a month to prepare a story to take into our local schools and then up to four times a month when we go into the schools to present the story.

There are no age limits and no great ability or talent is required. There is a training day run by Open the Book at St Mary's Church, Riddlesden on Wednesday 4 March from 10.30am to 3.30pm.

If you would like to go let Richard know. Transport can be arranged to get there and back! The day is free.

Saturday 15th February - Coffee Morning from 10a.m. at St. Saviours.

Cake stall, raffle, tea or coffee and chat! Come and join us in 2020!

100 club Winners of the January draw:

£25 - 69 - Claire Richardson: £10 - 80 - Suzy McCarter.

The Revision of St. Matthew's Electoral Roll is now taking place. Anyone who is not on the current roll and who would like to be, please ask Margaret Harrison for an application form.

Advance Notice that Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCMs) will take place at St. Matthew's and St. Saviour's on 19th April 2020.

Election of churchwardens (annual appointments) and PCC members to fill vacancies (two in each church) will take place at these meetings.

This notice is intended to give all members of the congregations plenty of time to consider putting their names forward for election when the notices are posted nearer the date.

'New blood' is always welcome and of advantage to the churches.

**Churches Together Lent Groups** Sign-up sheets are now available. This year our Lent Groups will run for 5 weeks beginning the first week in March. We will be following a programme called "In His Hands" prepared by Richard. Do come along to join in discussions with members of other churches. A broad selection of times and venues has been offered:

**Cullingworth:** Mon eve @7.30 at St. John's, led by Richard B.

Wed morn @11am in St. John's, led by Suzy McC.

Thurs eve @7pm at 11 Ainsdale Grove, led by Judy Mason

**Denholme:** Thurs morn @10am in Shared Church, led by members of the lay

team.

Harden: Wed aft @2.30pm in St. Saviour's, led by Richard B. and Liz Moy

Wilsden: Mon aft @2pm at St. Matthew's, led by Richard B.

Thurs morn @10am at 2 Birchlands Grove, led by Christine C.

Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in church. Mark your first preference with '1' but tick other possible times you could be available so that viable groups can be organised.

**Fair Trade Fortnight 2020** runs from 24<sup>th</sup> February to 7<sup>th</sup> March. We plan a special Coffee Morning in St. Matthew's on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February, from 10am to 12 noon.

**The flowers** at St. Matthew's this week were donated by the Driver family in memory of Jerry.

**Malcolm Halliday** - Malcolm is at home but still attending St. James Hospital in Leeds for check-ups and any treatment he needs.

Di and Malcolm both thank you all for your prayers and your kindness and concern at this time.

## Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 9th February

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	09-Feb	Pray for all at our Pick'n'Mix services, for growth in the numbers they reach and that all who come may gain insight and benefit from the variety offered.
Mon	10-Feb	Pray for members of Harden WI meeting at St. Saviour's this evening.
Tue	11-Feb	Pray for world leaders, for wisdom and patience, particularly in the most troubled and dangerous regions.
Wed	12-Feb	Pray for refugees and for an end to wars and fears that drive people from their homes.
Thu	13-Feb	Pray for members of Harden Village Council as they meet today.
Fri	14-Feb	Pray for all that the Driver family do to keep the link with sponsored children and for a successful fund raising event today.
Sat	15-Feb	Pray for all organising and supporting the coffee morning at St. Saviour's.

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

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

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

Please pray for: Beatrice Waddington and all those no longer able to join our services

Bob and Suzanne Evans Malcolm and Di Halliday

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 to 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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