

Parishes of St Saviour's Harden and St Matthew's Wilsden

IN THE BENEFICE OF HARDEN AND WILSDEN, CULLINGWORTH AND DENHOLME

Newsletter for 10th May 2020



We are continuing to light a candle in a window each evening at
8.30pm.

Make sure you light it safely!

If you have a pretend candle that would be even better.

Light it and put it in a window at 8.30pm for half an hour each night.

“It will be a sign of solidarity and hope in the light of Christ that can never be extinguished.”

The clergy, ministry team and pastoral team are ready to respond to calls for help and support, whether it be food, prayer or a chat.



Join us for our Live-Streamed Services on Facebook:

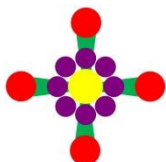
Weekdays: 8am Morning Prayer 5pm Evening Prayer 9pm Night Prayer

Sunday: 6pm Evening Prayer with Address

On Wednesday 13 May there will be a Streamed Messy Church at 4pm



You can join live each weekday, or watch later. If you search in your app provider for “Daily Prayer Church of England” you will find the Free Daily Prayer app.



Follow our Benefice Facebook Page. Search for:

“Harden, Wilsden, Cullingworth, Denholme Benefice”

We bring you the sad news of **Paul White's** death. Paul died on Saturday 25 April in BRI. He and Linda have been coming to St. Saviour's since last summer and Paul was a member of the men's group. We remember Linda and the family in our prayers. Paul's funeral will be held on Monday 11 May.

New Weekly Service Pattern:

Weekdays:

8am Morning Prayer on Facebook

5pm Evening Prayer on Facebook

9pm Night Prayer on Facebook

Sunday:

10am Written Service

11am Zoom Café Church / Family Service

6pm Evening Prayer with Sermon

Changes to our Sunday Services! We are encouraging people to join together in our written service at 10am from next Sunday rather than 10.30am. This will allow people to enjoy the services on the television or to join in with our new Zoom Sunday service!



Christian Aid Week As you would expect Christian Aid are among the organisations working to help reduce the impact of COVID-19 in .communities across the world. This coming week is Christian Aid Week.

For obvious reasons, Bingley Rural Churches Together will not be delivering envelopes this year but there will be boxes for your donations in the post offices in both Harden and Wilsden. We would also recommend the virtual envelope scheme at envelope.christianaid.org.uk , where your donation can attract Gift Aid

Our Zoom Afternoon Tea next Friday (15 May) at 3pm, will support the work of Christian Aid. You can join by phone or online. If you would like to join the fun please tell Helen Ludkin: 07788 848830 or beneficehwcd@gmail.com . She will need your email address or phone number. It is free to come along, but we hope you will make a donation to the work of Christian Aid.

100 Club Michael and Clive carried out the April draw on 30th April - whilst observing social distancing requirements - and the winners were:-

£25 - 39 - Dorothy Senior: £10 - 31 - Andrew & Margaret Robertshaw.

The winnings will be handed over as soon as the lockdown restrictions are relaxed.

If you are not on the internet ... You can join Zoom with your Telephone!!

We have discovered that you can be part of the Benefice Zoom activities even if you are not online by phoning 02034 815240 at your normal call rate. You will need the meeting number and password which we can give you if you call Helen on 07788 848830 to let us know you would like to join in!

Zoom Café Church and Family Service! From next Sunday, the 17th, there will be a Benefice Zoom service at 11am. The first one will be a Café Church Service, so bring your coffee and croissants / toast / grapes / biscuits / breakfast along! This will alternate with a Zoom Family Service every other week. If you would like to be part of the Zoom services then let Helen know: beneficehwcd@gmail.com and we will send you an invitation.

Pentecost Sunday: Sunday 31 May will be Pentecost Sunday. It is a special festival, the day the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples, the birthday of the Church. We are looking to do something very special that morning which will “bring us all together” virtually for a service of spiritual communion. Look out for more details. If you are able to send us a photograph of yourself wearing something red, that will help us to put together a picture of everyone to send out to the church congregations for that day. It would be great to have pictures of as many people as possible!

Quiz: The Benefice Quiz this week was won by Brendan McCarter. Congratulations Brendan! Next week’s quiz will be on Tuesday 12 May at 7pm. We will invite everyone who has been in one of the previous quizzes. If there is anyone else who wishes to join in then please contact Helen and we will get an invitation to you too.

Discussion Groups: We are starting some small Zoom discussion groups. You will be able to join by computer or by phone. There are going to be groups at a variety of times through the week. If you would like to join in the discussion please let Helen know so that we can determine how many groups we need: beneficehwcd@gmail.com or 0788 848830

Fair Trade. Thank you to everyone who has supported our monthly stalls this past year. Four churches are involved: St. Matthew's, St. Saviour's, Trinity and Haworth Road Methodist Church, who have chosen the charity to benefit from our surplus this year. £300 has been donated to 'All We Can', the Methodist Overseas Relief and Development Charity. Trading has stopped temporarily but there is still stock in the cupboard! Let Sandra know if you have urgent requests. Perishables have been donated to the foodbank.

Bradford Episcopal Area Forum (BEAF) there is a meeting on 19 May at 7.00 pm This BEAF gathering will be a zoom meeting and will be shorter than usual (less than an hour and a half) and will focus on sharing with and learning from each other's experience of being church in lockdown mode, especially our experience of worshipping together. The gathering will be open to anyone from any of our churches, and people from our congregations are encouraged to join this meeting. You simply click on this code <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85250979759?pwd=azE1RnU5LzFLL09vTXVkn3Y4TFI5dz09> which then takes you into the meeting. If you require any more information about this meeting please contact Helen Ludkin or Richard Burge.



The Daily Hope Phone Line is a new development from the Church of England. For those who struggle to use online resources the church has now set up a free phone line called 'Daily Hope.'

You can call it at any time, day or night on 0800 804 8044.

The whole system is pre-recorded so is always available.

The first thing you will hear will be the Archbishop of Canterbury welcoming you. You can listen to his whole message or move on through the options.

Option 1 takes you to a short 20 minute service based round a well-known hymn.

Option 2 takes you to Hymn line where you can listen to hymns.

Option 3 takes you to prayer line for a variety of prayers.

Option 4 gives you more options. (but I haven't explored that yet!).

So remember 0800 804 8044

Our Local Food Banks are playing a vital role during the present crisis. Many people are not working and are in financial difficulties. The Bingley Food Bank, which we traditionally support, has continued at its usual level although with some difficulty due to social distancing. In contrast, the central Bradford food banks are facing a huge increase in demand for their services and need our help. If you would like to contribute food items then in Harden these may be left on the doorstep at the Raine's home and in Wilsden at the Post Office. These will be forwarded to the Bradford Metropolitan Food bank, a local charity. However, financial contributions, especially with Gift Aid, would be particularly welcome. This allows the charity to buy the goods it needs at wholesale prices. The Bradford Metropolitan Food Bank's web-site has a donations page with a Gift Aid option.

<http://www.bradfordfoodbank.com>

Bradford Central Food Bank has recently teamed up with Bankuet so that people can donate money on line to provide the food bank with items which are needed.

Log in at: www.bankuet.co.uk/bradfordcentral

Neighbourhood Support Services To help with these difficult times of self-isolation and social distancing Bradford Council have set up a Neighbourhood Support Service and have identified, and are supporting, points of contact in our villages.

Everyone in our community is asked to keep an eye on their neighbours (from a distance), particularly those without internet access. If they need help then let them know about the service or the service know about them.

In Harden, the Congregational Church is the contact point and to access the service phone Helen Keighley on 07932 156 337 or 01535 271221. In Harden, there has been a quantity of wool donated for knitting or crocheting charity projects—packs are available which will make hats or cardigans for premature babies or blankets (patterns are included). If you would like a pack please contact Helen on the number above.

In Wilsden the service is being coordinated from the village hall by Jane Callaghan and Kelley Sutcliffe. Ring Jane on 07986 294 757 or

email: jane.callaghan@wilsdenparishcouncil.gov.uk or kelly@wilsdenvillagehall.co.uk

If you live outside the two villages and need help then the telephone number of the Bradford Met Centre is 01274 431000

Church Finances: If you do not usually give your offerings electronically, but can do so during this time when we are not able to meet in church, it would really help our cash flow. Thank you. Donations or regular giving may be done by sending your gift to:

Account name	Sort Code	Account Number
St Saviour's Church Harden PCC	05-02-42	32488873
Parish of St Matthews, Wilsden	40-23-05	42128918

Please include your name as a reference or we will be unable to thank you. We are wholly dependent on your generosity.

Prayer Requests: We have set up a dedicated email for prayer requests. Please let people know about it! Any requests can be sent to: say14me@hotmail.com and we will be able to get people praying for the things on people's hearts and minds.

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, Malcolm and Di Halliday, Linda White and all the family.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 10th 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.

Sun	10-May	Pray for those throughout the benefice who are helping to keep us in touch as church communities, providing newsletters, services and links to other sources of Christian reflection and comfort.
Mon	11-May	Christian Aid Week. Pray for Christian Aid's work in some of the poorest parts of the world and that our Churches Together will find a way of raising money to make up for missed collections this year.
Tue	12-May	Pray for the people you see if you are managing a daily walk, or for those who walk past your window
Wed	13-May	Pray for those who use social networking sites and that this valuable means of contact is not spoilt by inappropriate messages.
Thu	14-May	Pray for the businesses in our villages that are closed, that they may survive to add once again to our local amenities and to provide employment and income.
Fri	15-May	Pray for essential businesses still open, finding new ways to make food shopping possible. Pray for the safety of those who work there
Sat	16-May	Pray for all who work in the medical centres and pharmacies in our villages.

Please give contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline - Tel: 01535 273814

email: pstern155@gmail.com (and copy to David Haigh: david@dshaigh.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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Clergy Days Off: Liz – Monday & Thursday, Suzy – Tuesday, Richard - Saturday