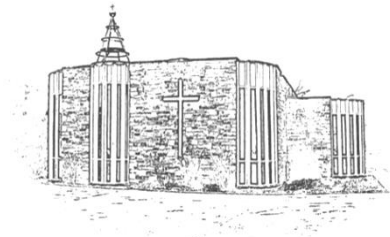


Parishes of Harden and Wilsden



Newsletter for 7th May

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 7 May		Easter 4		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Acts 2: 42-47	John 10:1-10
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church		
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion	Acts 2: 42-47	John 10:1-10
Wilsden	4.30 pm	Bereavement Service		

Remembering our loved ones The next Bereavement Service is today at 4.30pm at St. Matthew’s. This is a service for those who have been recently bereaved as well as those who lost loved ones some time ago. If you know of someone for whom this service may be helpful, please do take an invitation to them, or better still come to the service with them. Everyone is welcome. As you arrive you will be asked to add names to the list of those being remembered.

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

Weds	10.45 am	Home Communion at Laurel Bank
Weds	2.30 pm	Prayer and Cake at St Saviour's
Weds	3.30 pm	Messy Church at St Matthew's

Christian Aid Week 2017 begins on Sunday 14th May. Once again our four churches in Harden and Wilsden will endeavour to deliver an envelope to every household in the two parishes. Each envelope will have a label asking that it be returned to Harden or Wilsden Post Office or to Wilsden Pharmacy.

Bundles of envelopes will be available from next Sunday. Please help to get these out to the community.

Christian Aid Charity Concert. To raise a significant sum for Christian Aid, Churches Together have arranged a Grand Concert by Airedale Male Voice Choir on Saturday 20th May to be held in Trinity Chapel at 7.30pm. Tickets at £6 are available from Sandra Haigh, Helen Ludkin and Helen Keighley. This will be the final concert by the choir under its present conductor and accompanist so tickets are selling fast! Get yours today!

'Thy Kingdom Come', Diocesan launch event, Ascension Day, 19.00, Thursday 25th May at Bradford Cathedral. Experience 6 creative prayer spaces and a eucharist with refreshments.

We are supporting this event this year rather than host our own service. Bob

CMS box If you took a box during Lent could you please return it to church now for emptying. Astrid Hansen

The April **100 Club draw** was made at St Matthews on Sunday and the results were:-
1st No 53 - Stuart Pickersgill 2nd - No 64 - Jack Price (c/o Doreen Baxter)

St. Matthew's PCC The next meeting will be on Thursday 8th June at 7pm at St. Matthew's. Please note the change of date. Margaret Harrison

Dates for your Diary

Thurs 18 May	7.00 pm	PCC meeting at St. Saviour's
Sat 20 May	10.00 am	Coffee Morning at St. Saviour's
Thurs 25 May	7.00 pm	Ascension Day service at the cathedral
Thurs 8 June	7.00 pm	PCC meeting at St Matthew's

This summer Ian and Joan Slater are taking part in a short-term mission to Mtwara and Lindi in Southern Tanzania. They will be going as part of a team, working with the missionary organization “Go MAD”, which stands for Go Make A Difference.

Go MAD is a small independent christian charity, which was founded by Graham McClure in 1994. Over the years Go MAD has developed and expanded its work and now operates in Northern and Southern Tanzania as well as in Northern Kenya. Go MAD gives people the opportunity to volunteer to get involved in community projects which really make a difference to people’s lives, and they return home determined to continue making a difference.

This will be a first mission overseas for Ian and Joan and their emotions are fluctuating from feelings of excitement and adventure, to those of sheer terror. As part of their fundraising they will be organizing a Quiz Night with a pie and pea supper on Friday 9th June at St. Matthew’s Wilsden. Tickets will be available shortly from Ian and Joan or Helen Ludkin. The fund raising is not to cover their personal expenses but to help fund the work they will be doing while they are there.

There are various projects that they will be working on, including:

- ❖ Constructing cement water tanks, pit latrine toilets, goat pens and other small buildings projects for the community.
- ❖ Teaching and supplying equipment for basic education and awareness in general health and sanitation in schools and the community.
- ❖ Establishing a Sunday School for the village children and planning sports events.
- ❖ Helping with work in a local orphanage.
- ❖ Helping to run various education initiatives supporting underachieving pupils who are very poor.
- ❖ Assisting at the Go MAD market garden, which is an irrigation project helping farmers in the rural villages.

If you are unable to attend the quiz night but would like to donate to their mission then please place your donation in an envelope marked Tanzania and place it on the offertory plate at either church, making cheques payable to Go MAD. Or visit their giving page at:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Ian-Joan-Slater>

If you need any more information don’t hesitate to get in touch.

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Please keep in prayer those who are not well and those who are no longer able to join us at our services: Marjorie Craven, Beatrice Waddington, Alice Griffiths, Jackie Lancaster and Edwina Butterfield.

Please pray for those to be baptised:
William Oliver Mitchell at St. Saviour's on Sunday 11th June
and for his parents and godparents.

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)

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 7th 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 7 th	Pray for those remembering loved and missed family or friends today, whether at the Bereavement Service or quietly at home.
Mon 8 th	Take comfort, as did Julian of Norwich, in the belief that 'all shall be well, and all shall be well and all manner of things shall be well'.
Tues 9 th	Pray for the Butterfield Homes trustees meeting today and for residents in the homes in Wilsden, Cottingley and Crosshills.
Wed 10 th	Pray for all at Messy Church today and for those meeting for prayer at St Saviour's.
Thur 11 th	Pray for newly elected churchwardens in the Bradford Episcopal Area making their declarations at Bradford Cathedral today.
Fri 12 th	Pray for those who use social networking sites, that they can enjoy social contact without thoughtless or damaging contributions.
Sat 13 th	Pray for your neighbours and those you meet as you go about the villages.

If you become aware of a date please contact Pauline Stern or David Haigh so that we can keep the parish diary up to date.

Please give contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline (and copy to David Haigh and vicar Bob) Tel: 01535 273814 Email: pstern155@gmail.com

Copy Deadline: 12.00h on the **WEDNESDAY** before publication

TEXT reminder service for Pick'n'Mix: Text name to 07789 895949

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