



# Parishes of Harden and Wilsden



## Newsletter for 11 March 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”.
- 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!*

<b>Sunday 11 March</b>		<b>Mothering Sunday</b>		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Pick ‘n’ Mix		
Harden	11.15 am	Pick ‘n’ Mix		
Wilsden	6.30 pm	Holy Communion	Ecclesiastes 34:13-end	Mark 15:1-21

<b>Next Sunday’s Services</b>		
Wilsden	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Wilsden	11.00 am	Cafe Church
Harden	11.15 am	Holy Communion

## This week's diary

Mon	7.00 pm	Lent Course at St. John's, Cullingworth
Tues	10.15 am	Lent Course at 2 Birchlands Grove, Wilsden
Wed	10.45 am	Home Communion at Laurel Bank
Wed	2.30 pm	Prayer and Cake at St. Saviour's
Wed	3.00 pm	Roots After School Club at St. Saviour's
Wed	3.30 pm	Messy Church at St. Matthew's
Wed	7.30 pm	Lent Group at 40 Stapper Green, Wilsden
Thur	7.45 pm	St. Saviour's PCC meeting
Fri	10.00 am	Lent Group at 64 Long Lane, Harden
Sat	10.00 am	St. Saviour's Coffee Morning

**Mothering Sunday Flowers.** Thank you to Wilsden Coop for giving us such a generous discount.

**The Real Easter Egg 2018 is now available!** Did you know that 80 million Easter eggs are sold each year but this design is the only Fairtrade one with the Easter story on the box? The chocolate is Palm Oil free and a small charitable donation is made from each sale. Available at the special price of £3.60 (RRP £3.99).

Order from Lorna P. or Sandra H.

**Don't forget to sign up for The Maundy Thursday Meal** at St. Matthew's at 6.30. The sign up sheets can be found at the back of church.

**The Diocesan Lay Conference** will take place in Harrogate on 9 June and offers an unprecedented opportunity for laity from across our diocese to be affirmed and galvanised as we pursue our vision of Confident Christians, Growing Churches and Transforming Communities. More detailed information is available on the sidesman's table. If you might be interested in representing our parish at the conference, talk to Liz Moy who will identify and prepare our delegates. Please pray for those who may feel called to participate.

**The Electoral Rolls** of the two parishes are currently posted on the inside doors of the respective churches. If you wish your name to be added to the list, please contact Dorothy Senior at St. Matthew's or Gary Dickinson at St. Saviour's.

**St. Saviour's Coffee Morning** – The next coffee morning is this coming Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March. Contributions to a Spring / Easter stall, plants, anything yellow or green would be most welcome! These may be left in the 'Coffee Morning' Box in the choir vestry. Your support is much appreciated! Margaret Hodgson

**Lent Appeal.** The Mission Support group is again asking the parishes to concentrate their giving during Lent on the work of the Church Mission Society. We have undertaken to support the work of Awais Mughal who is working for social justice by helping asylum seekers and refugees in Leeds to improve their language skills. Many of these people have come from horrendous situations and although safer now, are feeling lost in their new surroundings. Please pray for Awais and give generously to enable CMS to continue with this and similar work wherever it is needed. As our traditional Lent Lunch was cancelled please consider donating via a CMS collecting box.

### Dates for your diary

Thur 22 Mar	7.00 pm	St. Matthew's PCC meeting
Sunday 8 April	11.00 am	St. Matthew's APCM
Sunday 15 April	12.30 pm	St. Saviour's APCM
Fri 20 Apr	7.00 pm	Commonwealth Games Quiz night at St. John's
Sat 21 Apr	10.00 am	St. Saviour's Coffee Morning

### 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: Beatrice Waddington, Alice Griffiths, Edwina Butterfield, Jim Waddington and Shirley Helliwell Jones.

**Please pray** for Jonathan Duke and Kirsty Jennings to be married at St. Saviour's on 28 April.

**Please pray for** Sheila Swift and her family following the death of her husband, Douglas, on Thursday February 22nd. His funeral will take place at Elland Crematorium on Monday March 19th at 12.45 pm. Family flowers only please, but donations may be made in lieu to Jessie's Fund for music therapy. Many of you will remember Sheila as a member of St Saviour's congregation and choir for many years.

**Please pray for:**

Abigail Amelia Turley, to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 25th March

Tobias Johnson, to be baptised at St. Saviour's on Sunday 22nd April

Erica Anne Kirke, to be baptised at St. Matthew's on Sunday 8th April

and for their parents, families and godparents.

**Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 11th March**

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-Mar	Mothering Sunday. Give thanks for the blessings of family life and pray for separated and unhappy families within our neighbourhood.
Mon	12-Mar	Pray for those from our diocese visiting Sudan this week, for safe travel and good encounters.
Tue	13-Mar	Pray for those who are suffering and afraid in Syria, for world leaders with power to influence the situation, that they may be guided to use their influence for the greater good rather than narrow political gains
Wed	14-Mar	Join with all who follow the CMS Prayerlines in praying today for Awais and her work with refugees and asylum seekers in Leeds.
Thu	15-Mar	Pray for the PCC meeting at St. Saviour's this evening.
Fri	16-Mar	Pray for lonely or housebound people in our villages and for the quiet volunteers who try to make a difference.
Sat	17-Mar	Pray for compassion in our society and for better times for the most needy and vulnerable

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

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