



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

IN THE BENEFICE OF

HARDEN AND WILSDEN, CULLINGWORTH AND DENHOLME

Newsletter for 12 December 2021

The Third Sunday of Advent

Services Today

9.30am All Age Nativity & Toy Service at St Matthew's, Wilsden

9.30am Eucharist at St John's, Cullingworth

9.30am Jesus 4 All at Denholme Shared Church

From 9.30am Spiritual Communion Service on [Our YouTube Channel](#)

11.15am All Age Nativity & Toy Service at St Saviour's, Harden

11.15am All Age Nativity & Toy Service at St John's, Cullingworth

11.15am Morning Worship Service at Denholme Shared Church

6.00pm Evening Prayer on [our Benefice Facebook Page](#)

Midweek Eucharists

10am Book of Common Prayer Eucharist at St John's, Cullingworth

10am Eucharist at St Matthew's, Wilsden (first, third, fifth Weds)

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AT HARDEN

St Saviour's Church is open for Personal Prayer from 2.30 to 3.30pm



NEXT SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER - CAROL SERVICES AT HARDEN & WILSDEN

Christmas Carol Services at St Matthew's, Wilsden and St Saviour's, Harden

Sunday 19 December 6.30pm

CAROL SINGING AROUND THE VILLAGES THIS WEEK

- 14 December** 8pm The George, Cullingworth
15 December 6pm Harden & Bingley Caravan Park, Goit Stock
16 December 7pm The New Inn (with Quiz)
17 December 6pm Manywells, Cullingworth
18 December 2pm Denholme



THE BIG CHRISTMAS WEEKEND!

Christingle Making Workshops:

22 December 1pm at St Matthew's

23 December 10am at St Saviour's



CHRISTMAS EVE: CHRISTINGLE

3pm & 5pm St Saviour's, Harden and St John's, Cullingworth

4pm St Matthew's, Wilsden & Denholme Shared Church

MIDNIGHT COMMUNION 11.30pm at all four Benefice Churches

CHRISTMAS DAY: 10.30am Christmas Communion at St Saviour's & St John's

BOXING DAY: 10.30am Benefice Service at St John's, Cullingworth

Chatterbox The Under Fives playgroup at Harden Church is open again on **Tuesdays** from 9.00-11.30. Volunteers are needed to help with refreshments on a rota - we would love to have you with us. Please get in touch with Anna if you can help on 07787 155970.

The 100 club Annual Draw for the £300 and £150 and £100 prizes will take place next Sunday 19 December.

If you'd like to join the 100 club for 2022 please contact Tony Caunt as soon as possible. Tel: 01535 273709

E-mail: tony.caunt1@btinternet.com

This is a good, fun way of raising money for the church, so let's make it even more of a success during the next 12 months. Proceeds will be split between the two parishes based on the congregation with which individual members are associated.



SAVE YOUR STAMPS!

The Leprosy Mission is collecting used stamps to sell to support their work. Please leave your used stamps in the box at church. A border of about 1/2cm (1/4in) needs to be left around the stamps



Due to the Covid situation we are unable to provide hospitality with Inn Churches for those who are on the street this winter. We would usually offer a week's hospitality for about 12

people. Inn Churches will have to spend £3000 to provide board and lodging for 12 people for a week this year. So this has become our target, £3000! And we hope that you can help us in this challenge. How can you help?

- As we go carol singing in the run up to Christmas we will be collecting for Inn Churches everywhere we go, so please put some money into the buckets!
- You can bring a donation for Inn Churches to our churches and we will gather them together.
- You can give online by following this link to our [Just Giving Page](#)

We are grateful too, to a donor who has very generously promised to match our first £1250, meaning that every pound given to begin with will be worth double! Please do give generously in our bid to raise this money.

And speaking of bids we are looking forward to the Inn Churches Auction which will be at Cullingworth Village Hall on Saturday 27 January. The evening will include a pie and pea supper. Get your tickets at just £5 each with all profits going to our Inn Churches' total. If you are able to offer a lot for the evening please contact Steve Rhodes on 07958 744514 or steve@srassociates.co.uk

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who has so generously continued to support the church financially. It has been difficult for us to raise funds without our usual community room users, collections and special services. Your generosity has enabled us to maintain a regular income to continue our ministry.

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.

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

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

St. Matthew's: Margaret Harrison 272305.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 12th December

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.

Sunday 12 December	Pray for all who take part in the All Age Nativity services throughout the benefice - Harden, Wilsden and Cullingworth today and Denholme next week, as the fun and likely chaos point us towards the joy and love of Christmas.
Monday 13 December	Pray for Alison and Anna and for all they are leading and organising in their first Christmas with us.
Tuesday 14 December	Pray for our choirs and all who join them in the programme of carol singing throughout the benefice.
Wednesday 15 December	Pray for the troubled parts of the world, for refugees and displaced people and for an end to violence and injustice.
Thursday 16 December	Pray for Christians in Sudan and for progress towards a fair and acceptable form of government leading to improvement in the economy of the country.
Friday 17 December	Pray for people in our region who face winter without adequate warmth and shelter. Pray that Inn Churches and other charities find ways to help them.
Saturday 18 December	Pray for shops and hospitality businesses in our villages, for safe and successful trading at what should be a busy time.

Contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline: 01535 273814 pstern155@gmail.com

(copy to David Haigh: david@dshaigh.uk and Helen Ludkin)

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