



**Parishes of St. Saviour's Harden & St. Matthew's Wilsden
IN THE BENEFICE OF
HARDEN AND WILSDEN, CULLINGWORTH AND DENHOLME**

**Newsletter for 17 August 2025
Ninth Sunday of Trinity**

Today's Services

9.30am	Communion at St Matthew's, Wilsden
9.30am	Communion at St John's, Cullingworth
10.30am	Sunday Service at Denholme Shared Church
11.00am	Café Church at St Matthew's, Wilsden
11.15am	Communion at St Saviour's, Harden

Midweek Services on Wednesday

- 10.00am Communion at St Matthew's, Wilsden
- 10.00am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth
- 2.30pm Personal Prayer at Harden

Prayer for the appointment of a new Rector

There is a prayer group who meet to pray about our new Rector. The next meeting will be on Monday 1 September at 7pm on at the Vicarage in Cullingworth. Everyone is welcome to come along.



This is a prayer which the group have been using, please join with them

Gracious and Sovereign God,
You are the Good Shepherd who never leaves or forsakes His flock.

We thank You for the faithful ministry that has gone before, and we entrust the future of our church into Your hands.

Raise up a Rector after Your own heart—someone filled with wisdom, humility, courage, and compassion.

Give our selection committee discernment, patience, and unity.

Prepare the heart of the one You are calling even now, and prepare our hearts to receive them with grace and support.

May Your Kingdom come and Your will be done in our church family.

In Jesus' name, Amen.



At Wilsden Every Friday from 2.00pm to 4.00pm

At Cullingworth Every Tuesday from 1.30 pm to 3.30 pm in St John's Room

If you know anyone who would be interested please invite them

Benefice Fantasy Football 2025/2026 season

Thank you to everyone who has sent their selections for the Benefice Fantasy Football League, the first 'table' is out!





Messy Church Needs Your Help!

We're busy planning some brilliant crafts for Messy Church and could make good use of your empty cereal boxes. Instead of putting them in the recycling bin, please bring them to church (flattened if possible) and pop them in the collection box by the door. Your cereal box could become part of an amazing Messy Church creation. We also need SMALL glass jars or little glass pots that some deserts are sold in plus ribbons and sparkly fabric strips— thank you for your help!

MESSY CHURCH NEEDS YOUR

We're looking for:

- cereal boxes
- small glass jars
- ribbons and sparkly fabric scraps



PLEASE BRING THEM TO CHURCH



WELL BEING CAFÉ

The next gathering of the Well Being Café will be at St Matthew's in Wilsden on **Tuesday 26 August at 2pm** until 3.30pm. It is a great place to come along if you are beginning to struggle with memory, if you have dementia or are caring for someone who has, or if you would just like some company on a Tuesday afternoon! We enjoy drinks and chat and we usually have a jigsaw on the go! It's a very friendly afternoon! Come along and join in!



Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 17 August

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 17 August	Pray for the peace of the world, for wisdom and compassion for those negotiating for settlements in the many ongoing conflicts.
Monday 18 August	Pray for members of our congregations and our wider village communities in hospital at this time.
Tuesday 19 August	Pray for all providing chaplaincy work in our local hospitals, hospices and care homes.
Wednesday 20 August	On the day William and Catherine Booth are remembered, pray for the work of the Salvation Army in Bradford, Shipley and Keighley.
Thursday 21 August	Pray for young people getting O level results today.
Friday 22 August	Pray for schoolteachers, that they may enjoy a refreshing summer break.
Saturday 23 August	Pray for grandparents providing extra help with childcare during the school holidays.

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

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Note we can only mention people, by name, in the newsletter with their consent.

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