



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



**Newsletter for 23 November 2025
Feast of Christ the King**

9.30am Morning Worship at St Matthew's, Wilsden
9.30am Communion at St John's, Cullingworth
10.30am Holy Communion at Denholme Shared Church
11.15am Morning Worship at St Saviour's, Harden
*Please note that there will **not** be an evening service in Wilsden today*
6.00pm BCP Holy Communion at St John's, Cullingworth

Midweek Services on Wednesday 26 November

10.00am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth
2.30pm Prayer and Cake at Harden

Prayer Group

Our prayer group will be led by Ian and Jill and will meet on
Monday 24 November at 7pm in St John's room.

Come along and join us.





Warm Spaces

St Matthew's, Wilsden - Each Monday at 12noon to 2pm:

St Saviour's, Harden - Tuesday 25 November and 9 December 12 noon to 2 pm (please note that the December date has changed from that previously advertised)

St John's, Cullingworth – it is not possible to hold warm spaces on the Wednesdays previously advertised, it has been changed to Fellowship Lunch Warm Spaces on Saturday 8 November and Saturday 13 December- please let Jasmin Smith (07725 107777) know if you plan to attend.



All are welcome from the Benefice whether churchgoers or not.

Good company and a laugh.

If anyone would like to volunteer to assist at warm spaces at any of the churches please have a word with
Alison



Harden & Wilsden 100+ Club 2026

The Big Draw for annual prizes of £300, £150 and £100 will take place on Sunday 14 December.



The 100 Club will re-commence for 2026, with the first monthly draw of the new season being held on the last Sunday of January 2026. Assuming we get a good response again, this next year we will continue with two numbers being drawn each month – as well as the annual draw for three large prizes held in the second week of December 2026. A final decision on the amount of the monthly and annual prizes will be made in a few weeks' time when we see how many members we have in the coming 12 months. It is hoped that existing members will want to participate again and that we can get some new members to replace any who are not continuing. Existing members will be receiving the application form to enter for the 2026 draws soon with a tear off slip to return to Tony Caunt with details of how to enter. If anyone else would like to join for 2026 please contact Tony. Tel: 01535 273709 E-mail: tony.caunt1@btinternet.com



WELL BEING CAFÉ The next gathering of the Well Being Café will be at St Matthew's in Wilsden on Tuesday 25 November 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!



Wilsden Shedders

Thursday 11 December at 10am

St Matthew's Church, Wilsden

Atrial Fibrillation

If anyone wants to be AF tested on the 11th, they are welcome providing they are over 65 years old.



Wilsden Chat and Craft group will be hosting a tea/coffee afternoon at St Matthew's on Friday 28th November from 2pm until 4pm in aid of The Leprosy Mission.

There will be a bring and buy stall. All are welcome



An advance Date for your Diaries – Christingle making at St Saviours on Tuesday 23 December at 10.00 am please let Liz know if you are able to help.

Carol of the Seven Hills.

This is the Episcopal Area contribution to the City of Culture and it is a great opportunity to showcase the talent in our schools and churches. The main narrative tells a fast-paced story of the district from the Industrial Revolution to the present day. In each scene there is an intriguing un-named stranger.

There are six venues for the performances all at 7.00pm:

Nov 27: Immanuel College, Idle

Nov 28: All Saints, Ilkley

Nov 29: St Andrew's, Keighley

Dec 4: Bradford Forster Academy, Bowling

Dec 5: Buttershaw Business & Enterprise College Dec 6: Fountains Church, Bradford



Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 23 November

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 23 November	As we rejoice in Christ the King, pray for those leading our worship today, in church, on line and through the written service.
Monday 24 November	Pray that Warm Spaces sessions throughout our villages may provide real help and support this winter.
Tuesday 25 November	Pray for guests and helpers at the Well Being café at St Matthew's today.
Wednesday 26 November	Pray for the people of Sudan in this prolonged and terrible war only now beginning to be widely reported.
Thursday 27 November	Pray for the work of CMS, Awais in Leeds and Bishop Hassan helping displaced people in Kadugli.
Friday 28 November	Pray for the work of the Leprosy Mission, particularly for much needed rebuilding work at Danja Hospital in Niger.
Saturday 29 November	The Church of England has designated this a day of intercession and thanksgiving for missionary work. Pray for the mission organisations the parishes of our benefice support.

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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Donations to our local churches

Donations or regular giving may be done by sending your gift to:

Account name	Sort Code	Account No
St Saviour's Church Harden PCC	05-02-42	32488873
Parish of St Matthews, Wilsden	40-23-05	42128918

Please leave your name so we can send you a "thank you"