



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

IN THE BENEFICE OF

HARDEN AND WILSDEN, CULLINGWORTH AND DENHOLME

### **Newsletter for 5 December 2021**

### **The Second Sunday of Advent**

#### **Services Today**

**9.30am Eucharist 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 Eucharist at St Saviour's, Harden**

**11.15am Café Church at St Matthew's, Wilsden**

**11.15am Free Church Service at Denholme Shared Church**

**6.00pm Book of Common Prayer Evensong on [our Benefice Facebook Page](#)**

#### **CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON**

This Sunday, 5 December at 6pm the lights go on in Harden and Wilsden

#### **Midweek Eucharists**

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

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



#### **BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE AT HARDEN**

On Wednesday 8 December from 2.30 to 3.30pm we will be having the Blue Christmas service - a service for those who find Christmas difficult

## **NEXT SUNDAY - CHRISTMAS NATIVITY SERVICES**



Sunday 12 December: 9.30am St Matthew's, Wilsden;

11.15am St Saviour's, Harden and St John's, Cullingworth.

Sunday 19 December: 10.30am at Denholme Shared Church.

**Come as you are or come dressed as a nativity character to become part of the Christmas story! For All Ages!!**

### **Christmas Carol Service at St Matthew's, Wilsden**

**Sunday 19 December 6.30pm**

**COME AND JOIN OUR 'POP-UP' CHOIR!**

To sing at the Carol Service as in recent years.

Practices Mondays 6th and 13th December 6.30 - 7pm All welcome.

### **CAROL SERVICE AT ST SAVIOUR'S**

The Carol Service is being held on the 19th December at 6.30pm. It is customary to serve mulled wine and mince pies afterwards.

Is anyone willing to help with this please?

Also donations of bottles of mulled wine or mince pies would be very much appreciated. Please speak to June if you can help in any way.

### **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.



While we are unable to host an Inn Churches Shelter this year, we are hoping to raise money to support the work of Inn Churches as they care for those who are homeless in this area. It will cost around £3000 for those who we might have hosted at the church to be in Bed and Breakfast for a week. One way that we will seek to raise this money is through an Auction which is to be held on 29 January next year at Cullingworth Village Hall. Perhaps you have something that you can offer for the auction. Previous lots have included a juggling lesson, afternoon tea, cheese scones or soup for a year! If you have anything that you might offer for the auction or would like to know more please contact Steve Rhodes on 07958 744514 or [steve@srassociates.co.uk](mailto:steve@srassociates.co.uk)

**The winners of the 100 club November draw are:**

No 74 Nancy Muff wins £25

No. 31 Andrew & Margaret Robertshaw win £10



**The Annual Draw for the £300 and £150 and £100 prizes will take place on 19<sup>th</sup> December.**

In January 2022 the new 100 club year will start with monthly draws taking place as usual and the grand annual draw in December.

If you already have a number you should have received a renewal form to complete and give to Tony Caunt. If you're not a 100 club member already and would like to join or if you'd like additional numbers please contact Tony 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.

**A Moment of Quiet**

In the middle of the busyness why not take a moment to enjoy some peace?

Monday 6 December 6.00pm at St Matthew's, Wilsden with Richard

Wednesday 8 December: Blue Christmas Service at St Saviour's with Liz

Saturday 11 December 10.30am at St John's, Cullingworth with Alison

**Carol Singing around our Communities**

Come and sing lots of carols! Watch out for more details next week!

**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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 5 December	Pray for those you meet in church today and for those who, for a variety of reasons, are not yet able to return to our buildings.
Monday 6 December	Pray for our local hospitals as staff face the pressures of winter and new Covid 19 variants.
Tuesday 7 December	Pray for those who lead and those who join in Christmas celebrations at Messy Church in Wilsden tomorrow and at Denholme next week.
Wednesday 8 December	Pray for the benefice men's group as they meet this evening for food and fellowship.
Thursday 9 December	Pray for the community at Scargill and that their Advent and Christmas programmes are able to go ahead
Friday 10 December	Churches Together have not been able to arrange a special event at this time. Give thanks that their paper quiz was well supported and raised a useful amount to support refugees arriving in the Bradford area.
Saturday 11 December	Pray for our planet and that we can all find ways, however small they may seem, of contributing to the good of the environment.

Contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline: 01535 273814 [pstern155@gmail.com](mailto:pstern155@gmail.com)  
(copy to David Haigh: [david@dshaigh.uk](mailto:david@dshaigh.uk) and Helen Ludkin)

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**Clergy Days Off:** **Alison: Monday & Tuesday**      **Anna: Saturday**  
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