



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

Newsletter for 7 January 2024

**Epiphany
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 BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth
2.30pm Prayer and Cake at Harden

Invitation to Trinity Church Covenant Service

As St Matthew's will be hosting our Inn Churches Shelter on Sunday 14 January 2024 there will be no service that morning at St Matthew's. The Congregation of Trinity Church Wilsden has invited us to join them that morning at 10.30am for their Covenant Service. Everyone will be welcome to come along.

Craft & Chat Christmas Break

There will be no Wilsden Craft & Chat on 12 January it will resume on
19 January



Shelter 2024

This week at St Matthew's Church in Wilsden we are once again hosting a number of people who are homeless rough sleepers.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who are making this hospitality possible and for Steve and the co-ordinators who have overseen the preparations.

Please pray for all those involved in the shelter this week, especially for all those on the streets of Bradford this winter and for Inn Churches who seek to make a difference to their lives.

If you would like to know more or have the time and would like to help please get in touch:

Steve Rhodes Tel: 07958 744514 or email: steve@srassociates.co.uk

It's not too late to make a donation too! You can give donations marked "Inn Churches" at our services or you can pay directly into the St Matthew's Account (40-23-05: 42128918) marking your donation "Inn Churches". Donations will be used to buy toiletries and to support Inn Churches.

We are also looking for donations of men's coats, hats, gloves and scarves.

Harden & Wilsden 100+ Club Annual 'Big Draw'

The draw took place at St Matthews with Anna drawing the winning numbers

Hazel White wins £300 with No. 12

Nancy Muff wins £150 with No. 74

Stuart Pickersgill wins £100 with No. 53

Congratulations to the winners



It is not too late to join for 2024

The 100 club will begin again from January 2024.

The cost for one number is staying at £24 per year and you can pay by cheque to Tony Caunt @ 13 Birchlands Grove, Wilsden BD15 0HD. Cheques made out to "St Saviours & St Matthews 100 club" or by Bank transfer to Virgin Money sort code 05-09-04 Account No. 18306418.



Warm Spaces

Warm Spaces at Harden, Wilsden and Cullingworth are stopping until after the Inn Churches Shelter.

**They will resume on the
week beginning 15 January 2024**

Warm Spaces continue at Denholme: Sunday evenings: 4pm to 7pm

Starting again this week!

Discussion Groups led by John Chuter

“I am the Way, the Truth and the Life”

These words spoken by Jesus some 2000 years ago still retain their power and immediacy for Christians today. But what do they mean for Christians in the 21st Century and how should we respond to them?

Following the three sessions in the autumn we resume with our pre Lent gatherings. Don't worry if you didn't make the ones before Christmas, everyone will be very welcome. We will be discussing Jesus' words drawing on scripture, contemporary sources and our own ideas and experience.

We meet on 11 January, 25 January and 8 February at 7.30pm in the St John's Room, Cullingworth.

The Late Trevor Hall

Please remember in your prayers the family of Trevor Hall who died in December. His funeral will be at Shay Grange Crematorium on Wednesday 17th January at 11.15am.

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”

PRAYER REQUESTS TO: say14me@hotmail.com

Please keep praying for the people of Sudan, for those in Ukraine and for peace and justice for the people of Israel and Palestine.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 7 January

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 7 January	Pray for the people of Japan, those who have lost loved ones and everyone working with the aftermath of the earthquake, and for others throughout the world still suffering from the effects of natural disasters during the past year.
Monday 8 January	Pray for the work of Inn Churches and for the people we are able to offer shelter in St Matthew's this week.
Tuesday 9 January	Pray for people of any nationality and faith suffering in the conflict in Gaza, and that political leaders may find a way to bring peace and stability to the region.
Wednesday 10 January	Pray for Sudan and our Christian partners there.
Thursday 11 January	Pray for refugees and for those who work to resolve the situations that drive people from their homes and countries.
Friday 12 January	Pray for those around us who are struggling with loneliness and declining physical, mental, or emotional health.
Saturday 13 January	Anniversary of the death of George Fox, founder of the Society of Friends. Give thanks for the insights this denomination has brought to Christian faith and for the good works pioneered by leading members.

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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Clergy Days Off: Alison: Thursday, Friday & Saturday
Liz: Monday, Thursday & Saturday

Anna: Saturday
Richard: Saturday