



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

**Newsletter for 7 September 2025
Twelfth Sunday of Trinity**

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 September

10.00am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth

2.30pm Prayer and Cake at Harden

3.30pm Messy Church at Wilsden



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 next Monday 8 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.

Churches Together Charity Quiz.

Saturday 20th September at Trinity Church at 7pm.

Light supper of baked potatoes with fillings.

Tickets available very soon.



All the church activities which have taken a summer break have now resumed-

Chatterbox Toddler Group

Tuesday, 9am at St Saviour's Church Hall. Come along and enjoy toys and chat,
snacks and songs. It is a wonderful gathering and a great place for parents,
grandparents or carers to bring toddlers for play and a chance to meet others.



Scones are back too as our Harden Welcome Space re-

opens! 11am on Tuesday morning, come to Harden Church Hall
for free scones, tea and coffee. Don't miss out, come and enjoy
fellowship and a lovely Tuesday Treat!



LUNCH CLUB

12 noon on Thursdays at St Saviour's.

£4 for a two course meal

No booking required



At Wilsden Every Friday from 2.00pm to 4.00pm

At Cullingworth Every Tuesday from 1.30 pm to 3.30 pm

If you know anyone who would be interested please invite them

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 ribbons and sparkly fabric strips plus SMALL glass jars or little glass pots that some deserts are sold in and clean empty glass jars (jam jar size or smaller like baby food jars) for lantern making, also

coloured magazine paper (magazines/ supplements/catalogues etc) for collage making and pictures of food (from supermarket adverts etc) for harvest activities.

— thank you for your help - This is much appreciated, we will show you the results!

MESSY CHURCH DATES FOR SEPTEMBER

Cullingworth: 3.45pm Sunday 14 September

Wilsden: 3.30pm Wednesday 10 September

Denholme: 3.30pm Wednesday 17 September



Personal Growth & Leadership Course

Alison and a couple of others will be attending this course to be held at Fountains Church in Bradford on Saturday mornings from 10.00am to 12.30

Course Dates: • 20th September • 18th October • 29th November • 10th January • 7th February • 7th March.

If you'd like to go or if you'd like further information please contact Alison

- **Personal Growth, Confidence and Contribution:** You and your team will learn to *release your potential* through learning and applying proven personal growth principles. This is aimed at *increasing confidence in your leadership skills* and learning how to apply them in the home, workplace and church.
- **Leadership Mind Shift, Releasing Gifts, Building Team:** You will grow together in awareness and appreciation of *lay and clergy gifts* within **your parish** and be able to take practical steps to release them. You will build a *stronger sense of team* within your own church and transform your understanding of leadership.
- **Shared Learning, Supportive Relationships, Cohesive Identity:** Learning as lay and clergy together we will share our stories, *build mutually supportive relationships* and develop our identity.

Prayers for the week beginning Sunday 7 September

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 September	Pray for firefighters and local volunteers still battling with fires on the North Yorkshire moors.
Monday 8 September	Pray for communities anywhere suffering in the aftermath of fire, flood or earthquakes.
Tuesday 8 September	Pray for children, carers and helpers at Chatterbox at St Saviour's today.
Wednesday 10 September	Pray for all at Messy Church at St Matthew's today.
Thursday 11 September	Pray for bishops, priests and people in Sudan, for their safety during this ongoing and almost unreported conflict.
Friday 12 September	Pray for Bishop Toby as he takes on more responsibilities across the Diocese of Leeds as Bishop Nick approaches retirement.
Saturday 13 September	Pray for the people of Israel and Palestine, for all who suffer loss and live in fear. Pray for all who work to find acceptable solutions.

Contributions for the next newsletter to Pauline: 01535 273814 psstern155@gmail.com

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