



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

IN THE BENEFICE OF

HARDEN AND WILSDEN, CULLINGWORTH AND DENHOLME

Newsletter for 19 December 2021

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Services Today

9.30am Morning Worship at St Matthew's, Wilsden

This Service will be shown live on [Our YouTube Channel](#)

9.30am Eucharist at St John's, Cullingworth

10.30am Instant Nativity Service at Denholme Shared Church

Come dressed as a Nativity Character and enjoy the story!

11.15am Morning Worship at St Saviour's, Harden

4.00pm Carols and Brass at Denholme Shared Church

6.00pm Carol Service of Lessons and Carols at St John's, Cullingworth

6.30pm Carol Service of Lessons and Carols at St Saviour's, Harden

6.30pm Carol Service of Lessons and Carols at St Matthew's, 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)

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AT HARDEN

It will be Prayer & Cake at St Saviour's Church at 2.30pm



Following the Government's recent announcements, we ask that all those who are able to wear a mask should do so when in church.

CAROL SINGING AROUND THE VILLAGES THIS WEEK

20 December 5.15pm Laurel Bank, Wilsden

Meeting in the Car Park at Laurel Bank

21 December 6pm Harden Village

Meeting at the War Memorial

22 December 6pm Scarborough Court, Cullingworth

Meeting on Birkdale Close

23 December 6pm Harecroft

Meeting outside 115 Harecroft



THE BIG CHRISTMAS WEEKEND!

Christingle Making Workshops:

22 December 1pm at St Matthew's, Wilsden

23 December 10am at St Saviour's, Harden

CHRISTMAS EVE: CHRISTINGLE

3pm & 5pm St Saviour's, Harden

3pm & 5pm at St John's, Cullingworth

4pm at St Matthew's, Wilsden

4pm at Denholme Shared Church



MIDNIGHT COMMUNION 11.30pm at each Benefice Church

CHRISTMAS DAY:

10.30am Christmas Communion at St Saviour's & St John's

BOXING DAY: 10.30am Benefice Service at St John's, Cullingworth

SAVE YOUR STAMPS!

The Leprosy Mission is collecting used stamps to sell to support their work. Please leave your used stamps in the box at church. A border of about 1/2cm (1/4in) needs to be left around the stamps



YouTube

A very big thank you to those who have subscribed to [Our YouTube Channel](#) We are now able to live stream on YouTube, which we will do over Christmas so that those unable to get to church can still be part of our church services.

A Big Thank You for all the donations of toys for the children at Airedale Hospital. They will all be very happily received over the next week.



Due to the Covid situation we are unable to provide hospitality with Inn Churches for those who are on the street this winter. We would usually offer a week's hospitality for about 12

people. Inn Churches will have to spend £3000 to provide board and lodging for 12 people for a week this year. So this has become our target, £3000! And we hope that you can help us in this challenge. How can you help?

- As we go carol singing in the run up to Christmas we will be collecting for Inn Churches everywhere we go, so please put some money into the buckets!
- You can bring a donation for Inn Churches to our churches and we will gather them together.
- You can give online by following this link to our [Just Giving Page](#)

We are grateful too, to a donor who has very generously promised to match our first £1250, meaning that every pound given to begin with will be worth double! Please do give generously in our bid to raise this money.

And speaking of bids we are looking forward to the Inn Churches Auction which will be at Cullingworth Village Hall on Saturday 27 January. The evening will include a pie and pea supper. Get your tickets at just £5 each with all profits going to our Inn Churches' total. If you are able to offer a lot for the evening please contact Steve Rhodes on 07958 744514 or steve@srassociates.co.uk

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 19th 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 19 December	Pray for our clergy and lay leaders throughout the Benefice and give thanks for all they have done in a difficult year.
Monday 20 December	Pray for the residents and staff at Laurel Bank. May they and their families enjoy peace and happiness this Christmas.
Tuesday 21 December	Pray for your neighbours, for those who have been helping you and those you are able to help.
Wednesday 22 December	Pray for people in our villages who will find Christmas a difficult time.
Thursday 23 December	Pray for all who are travelling to meet with family and friends over this Christmas time.
Friday 24 December	Pray for all who join in the Christingle service and for the work of the Children's Society.
Saturday 25 December	Pray with and for Christians around the world as the birth of our Lord and Saviour is celebrated.

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

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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: Monday & Tuesday**
Liz: Monday & Thursday

Anna: Saturday
Richard: Saturday