

COMING EVENTS

Tuesday 19th **CAROLS AT THE GEORGE** 7.30pm with a collection for Inn Churches who will be caring for local homeless people at St Matthew's Wilsden over Christmas and the New Year

Thursday 21st **6.45 pm Advent Quiet Time** in Church

Friday 22nd **2pm Christingle Making** in St. John's room, Adults and children are invited to help make the Christingles.

4pm the Film 'The Miracle Maker' will be shown in church for anyone who wishes to come. This is an excellent animated film of the life of Jesus from the beginning of his ministry to the resurrection. Safe for children of all ages, film is rated U runs for 87minutes.

Sunday 24th **HOLY COMMUNION** 10.00

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE 4.00pm
the start of Christmas, a service for all the family

HOLY COMMUNION FOR CHRISTMAS 11.30pm
Midnight Mass

Monday 25th **FAMILY CELEBRATION HOLY COMMUNION FOR CHRISTMAS** 10.00

Wednesday 27th **No Wednesday Communion**



POSADA Mary and Joseph are now travelling on their journey around the village. They will arrive back in church on the 24th December.
Put your name on the "journey" in St John's Room

Sunday 31st **Benefice Holy Communion**
10.30 St Saviour's Harden
No service at St John's

Please take home for reference

PARISH CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST CULLINGWORTH
IN THE BENEFICE of HARDEN, WILSDEN, CULLINGWORTH AND DENHOLME
PEW NOTICES FOR THE WEEK 17th December 2017
Purple
Third Sunday of Advent

10am Holy Communion

Revd Ian Slater

HYMNS

695 To God be the Glory
527 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
128 Come, thou long expected Jesus
67 Be still, for the presence of the Lord
231 God's Spirit is in my heart

COLLECT

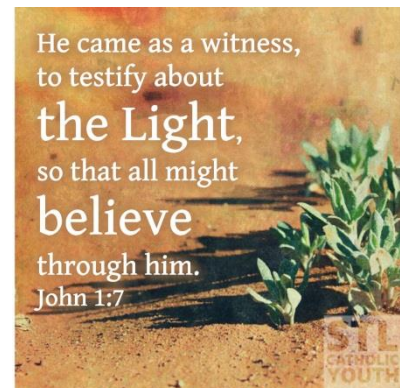
God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son: give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord.

READINGS

Isaiah 61 v 1 to 4 and 8 to end
John 1 v 6 to 8 and 19 to 28
(1 Thessalonians 5 v 16 to 24 and Psalm 126)

POST COMMUNION

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again we may shine as lights before his face; who is alive and reigns now and for ever.



FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- Bishop Nick, our area bishop Toby, Archdeacon Andy and the local clergy and their families; Suzy McCarter, Liz Moy, Ian Slater and Mavis Neville. Our Reader's, wardens and our PCC.
- For our PCC's and all involved in the selection of a new Rector for our benefice
- For Tracy Wharton and her family mourning the loss of Greeba
- For healing: Pam Wright, Joanna Rushton, Marjorie Haigh and Kathleen Sweeney
- For Donna Beer, family and friends of Barbara Robinson whose funeral was on Monday in church
- Members of St John's, who are unable to attend, Jane Saboula, Marie Bromley, Margaret Evans and Myra Simmonds.
- For our Junior Christian Clubs in Cullingworth, Harden and Denholme
- For Archie Naylor who was baptised in church, his parents and godparents
- For newcomers to Cullingworth and that our church may find ways of making our presence and message known.

As we continue our street prayer project working our way around the village. Suzy intends to walk the street and actively pray for the residents. We invite you to walk and pray for this street along with their residents.

The street for this week is The Nook

Suzy invites you to use this prayer:-

God of Mission who alone brings growth to your Church, Send your Holy Spirit to give Vision to our planning, Wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OUR TEAM AT ST JOHN'S

Team Vicar:	Revd Suzy McCarter 270687 suzanne_mccarter@msn.com
Honorary Assistant Priest	Revd Liz Moy 645991
Reader:	Malcolm Halliday 656777
Church Wardens:	Judy Mason 273345 Candida McKay 272906
Baptism Visitor:	Candida McKay 272906
Bereavement Visitor	June Humes 272799
Verger	Sandra Pattinson 957181
Team Rector:	Vacancy

FUNDRAISING

The coffee money for December is to go to Inn Churches

EASY FUNDRAISING FOR YOUR ON-LINE CHRISTMAS GIFTS

If you register with easyfundraising.org.uk and state cause as Cullingworth St. John the Evangelist we at Church receive a % of what you spend.

Donations or Regular Giving may be done by sending your gift to St. John's PCC Sort Code 20-45-14 account number 60703532. Please include your name as a reference or we will be unable to thank you. We are wholly dependent upon your generosity.

Smarties Boxes



A reminder that these boxes are available from Debbie and will take your spare 20p coins to assist church funds.

The Christmas Fair raised £643. A big thank you to everyone

Please respect Suzy's day off - Tuesday

Please only make home phone calls to Suzy between 9 am and 9 pm

REGULAR EVENTS

Sunday 2	10.00 All-Age service
	18.00 Holy Communion
1, 3, 4 & 5	10.00 Holy Communion (CW)
Monday	10.00 Art Group (untutored)
Term Time	3.00 Junior Christian Club in the Primary School
Tuesday	9.00 Baby and Toddler Group (Term Time only)
Wednesday	10.00 Holy Communion with coffee and social time
	7.30 Yoga with Philippa (274630)
Thursday	2.00 Thursday Friends – All welcome (Term Time only)
Friday	9.00 Baby and Toddler Group (Term Time only)

FOOD BANK Please remember to support the Bingley Food Bank – they are needed as much as ever. The following items are in short supply: **COFFEE, UHT MILK, SMALL BAGS OF SUGAR, TINNED MEAT AND FISH, MEAT AND FISH PASTES, TINNED FRUIT, CUSTARD, JAMS.** Please help the people of Bingley and District who are so much less fortunate than us.

To receive the Pew Notices or have a note included contact Robert Smith 273068 or e-mail robertandjasmin@btinternet.com
See also www.facebook.com/stjohnscullingworth or our web site www.stjohnscullingworth.org.uk



Bethany across the Jordan



Night Shelter

St. Matthew's is hosting an Inn Churches night shelter, from Tuesday 26th December to Monday 1st January. We are seeking volunteers to help, contact David Haigh on 274225. If you would like to contribute to the cost of the project, Clive Allsop and Deborah Allwood will accept donations.

URGENT HELP REQUIRED

The Friday morning Toddlers group is seeking 2 volunteers. A volunteer who can open and lock up church for them at 9.00am and 11.30am. This would also involve checking that the tidying up has been done to an appropriate standard.

The 2nd volunteer is needed to make the snacks for the children and tea and coffee for the adults. The children usually have toast and grapes or fruit snacks at around 10.15am. This task involved buying the snack ingredients and milk for the tea/coffee and taking responsibility for leaving the kitchen tidy afterwards. Ideally the 2 volunteers would stay and befriend the toddler group adults on behalf of the Church family and share the love of God with them.

It would be a great shame if this group has to close but the present leader cannot continue to do all these tasks.