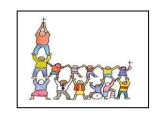


Denholme Shared Church

A partnership between the Baptist Church, the Church of England and the United Reformed Church

Three traditions One Faith



Newsletter for 1st December 2024 First Sunday in Avent Morning Worship with Revd Liz Moy

Midweek Services on Wednesday

10.00am Eucharist at Wilsden 10.00am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth 2.30pm Personal Prayer at Harden

"Waiting for the Light" A four session Advent Study

Course continuing next Thursday, 4th December, at Denholme Shared Church; 10.00–11.30 am followed by a light lunch. These are all stand alone sessions so if you miss one there's no problem in coming along for the next.



Blue Christmas

3pm Sunday 8 December at St Matthew's Church, Wilsden

Christmas can be a difficult time for many. There may be sad and painful memories associated with a time of year when so many are celebrating. This is a service which holds the light of the Christmas Message into the darkness which life can bring. It is a beautiful, simple and quiet time of depth and peace.

Quote of the week: "Love is something more stern and splendid than mere kindness." C. S. Lewis



This afternoon, 1st December, "Meet & Eat" at Denholme Shared Church at 4.00 p.m. Come along for a home cooked two course meal (veggie option included) and enjoy a chat and fellowship. Booking is not essential.



The Bradford Choral at St John's Cullingworth Advent Carol Concert

4pm Saturday 7th December Tickets £5 including refreshments and mulled wine



Breakfast with Santa Saturday 7th December, 9.30-11.30 FULLY BOOKED



Christmas Tree Festival - 14th and 15th December.

Come along and view the lovely display of decorated Christmas trees created mainly by our local businesses and voluntary organisations

Opening times: Saturday - 10.00 am - 4.00 pm

Sunday - 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

Refreshments available. Free admission

Saturday 14th December 7.00 pm.

Denholme Voices Christmas Concert. Come along for a joyful evening of varied Christmas songs. Tickets £7, including light refreshments, available from any choir member or on the door.



Messy Church

3.45pm Sunday 8th December at St John's Cullingworth

3.30pm Wednesday 11th December at St Matthew's, Wilsden

3.30pm Wednesday 11th December at Denholme Shared Church

DONATIONS FOR REFRESHMENTS

Donations received for refreshments during the month of December will be forwarded to the Children's Society.



PRAYER REQUESTS TO: say14me@hotmail.com

If you know of anyone who would like prayer to be said on their behalf or on behalf of others please provide the above link or send the details on their behalf. Alternatively, please speak with any member of the ministry team. Please note that people can only be identified in the newsletter by name with their consent.

Never forget the power of prayer as you offer your prayers to God this week. As a guide please remember the following:-

- Church leaders of all denominations everywhere and, in particular, our own ministry team, both ordained and lay;
- those caught up in war zones and conflict;
- that Breakfast with Santa next week will be a time of fun and joy;
- volunteers at local food banks and those in need of the food banks;
- those who are nearing end of life, their families, and the agencies who care for them;
- those who are seeking employment or a change of direction in their lives;
- the bereaved and those facing painful anniversaries.



We have sadly been unable to secure our usual week to be a hosting church this year. Each winter we have welcomed people who are homeless in Bradford to spend the night at St Matthew's as part of the Inn Churches Winter Shelter. We will still be raising money for the work of Inn Churches through our Christmas activities. If you would still like to volunteer at one of the shelters elsewhere please contact Inn Church on 01274 955010. We are hoping to be hosting church again next winter.

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(Days off: Richard – Saturday; Alison Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Liz – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday; Anna – Saturday)

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See also our Facebook pages Denholme Shared Church or Harden, Wilsden, Culli ngworth, Denholme Benefice http://www.denholmechurch.org.uk

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Donations or Regular Giving – a plate is provided for donations or envelopes during our services. You can also send your gift to Denholme Shared Church Sort Code 30-63-55, account number 56734560 but please include your name as a reference or we will be unable to thank you. Cheques can be sent to the Treasurer c/o Denholme Shared Church (address above)