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Church Diary

January 2019

Sat	12 th	M/c Police Male Voice Choir and The Hometowners Folk Band at 7.30pm
Tues	15th	PCC Meeting 7.30pm

Regular Events

Open Church & Coffee Morning – Wed 10am-12pm
Choir Practice – Thursdays 7pm / 7.45pm

St Aidan's Men's Group – 1st Weds of the month
St Aidan's Ladies Guild – Monthly meetings
St Aidan's Flower Group – Fridays 7.30pm
Knitwits – Fridays 2pm
Councillor's Surgery – 1st Saturday 10.15am

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Please email newsletter@staidan.org.uk
with news for the Notices, Facebook
or the Church Website.

**St Aidan's
Church
Rochdale**



6th Jan 2019
Epiphany

Gospel Reading

Matt 2 – 1 - 12

Anthems

Lo Star Led Chiefs
Crotch
Break Forth
Bach

Weekly Services

Sunday 10am
Family Communion
Tuesday 9.45am
Morning Prayer
Wednesday 9.30am
Holy Communion

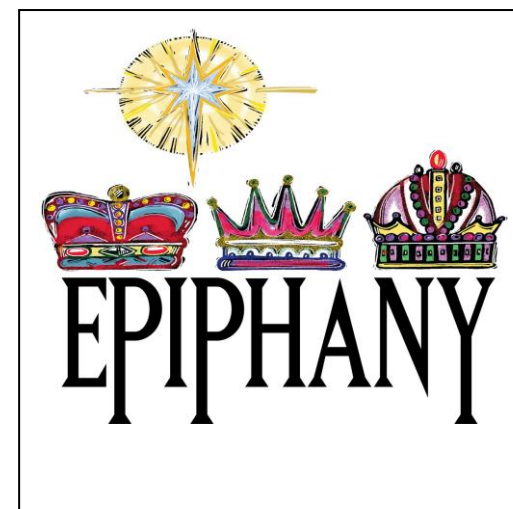
**Weddings and
Baptisms
by appointment**



Refreshments are served in
the Hall after the Sunday
morning service and in
church on Wednesday
mornings.
All are welcome

St. Aidan's Church

in the Parish of St Aidan, Sudden,
Rochdale and All Souls, Heywood



The Flowers today have been
donated by Ina
in Loving Memory of her Parents,
Dr Alexander McGregor and Rose
McGregor

THE WALKING GROUP

Eaten too Much over Christmas? Want to lessen
The load? Then join The Walking Group on
Sat 19th Jan at 9.30am
Meeting Place – Outside the Brown Cow Pub,
Norden. (There is a public car park at the
Top of Clapgate , which is opp the pub)
Walk – A circumnavigation of the Greenbooth
& Naden Reservoirs
If weather is inclement the walk will be
postponed until another time
Further info speak to Rev Ian Taylor

Welcome to St Aidan's Church

*Our Mission is to be a strong church family,
promoting and maintaining the Good News about Jesus
to the Parish and the wider community.*

If we can help you in any way, please speak to the Vicar,
Sidespersons or any of the Church Officers.

We aim to be a friendly caring church.

Pilgrim Group

An opportunity to explore and discuss our journey of faith.
All are welcome. See Events Diary for dates of meetings.

Intercession Prayers

Please write names for the Intercessions on the list at the back of Church. Names are renewed at the beginning of each month whilst our prayers are still needed for those who are sick. Prayers of thanksgiving for recovery can also be requested. There are Prayer Cards at the back of Church for giving to friends and relatives to let them know that the St Aidan's Church family is praying for them.

Church Flowers

Please fill in the Flower List and speak to Elizabeth Milne if you wish to donate or arrange flowers on a specific date. Donations to the Flower Fund are always welcome. *Please inform Elizabeth or email newsletter@staidan.org.uk*

Children's Groups

The Children's Groups meet in the Hall during the Sunday Morning Service (after the second hymn): Kindergarten (ages 3-6) and Adventurers (ages 7-14). All children stay with the Congregation on the first Sunday in the month when our Young Stewards (over 7) help with church duties. *For further information about our work with Children & Young People, please speak to the Vicar or Curate or email children@staidan.org.uk*

Dedications to a Loved One

Dedications can be placed in hymn books; the St Aidan Church Memorial Book or the Parish Book of Remembrance.

Please ask any PCC Member for further details.

January is the month when we remember and retell the story of the wise men who came from the East, bearing gifts for the infant Jesus. God had led them by the star as far as Jerusalem, at which point they thought they were now close to their journey's end. However, when they asked the authorities where the promised new king might be found, they were directed on to somewhere they had never expected, Bethlehem. Their travels were not quite over yet.

I'd like to challenge us all, at this Epiphanytide and start of a New Year, to take that as a metaphor for our own journey with God. We may feel we have arrived with our faith exactly where we planned to be. But I suspect, for the vast majority of us, God has some further steps he would urge us to take. How can we journey deeper into our faith this year?

Like the wise men, what can we do more of than we ever anticipated? It might be the time we give to God in prayer or worship, it might be to get more involved in the practical care that our parish or congregation provides to those in deep need. It might be to dig deeper into our purses and pockets, to increase our giving. Whatever it is, let's take inspiration from those wise men of old, and go the extra mile.

Bishop David 1st Jan 2019

MANY THANKS

A secret Santa was sent to George. A lovely surprise. So many thanks and also for all the cards and visits he has received

George & Jo -Anna

FUTURE EVENT

SAT 12th Jan at 7.30pm Greater M/c Police Male Voice Choir with The Hometowners Folk Band will be presenting a night of music & laughter Tickets £10 from Keith (648955)

**A Happy New Year to you all
From St Aidan's Notices Team**

Duties 13th Jan 2019 The Baptism of Christ

Sidespersons A&JC ;Hall MJ & Fam ; Coffee AP;BW;LH
Counting ; As Rota – Childrens Groups ;As Rota