

ST AIDAN'S CHURCH

SPRING NEWSLETTER FROM YOUR LOCAL PARISH CHURCH
ST AIDANS SUDDEN, ROCHDALE AND ALL SOULS, HEYWOOD

Welcome to Our Church

Dear All,

As I sit here writing this, we have just had the 'Beast from the East' with snowstorms battering our town and surrounding area. It became very hard to get anywhere. I now see that we are in spring and hopefully we'll all see the new bulbs coming up around but I've not seen any daffodils yet, have you? Spring reminds us of new life, new things and new ways. The dragging of winter, where it's been summer one minute to the snow storm of last week, confuses us all and we look for hope of better weather and better times. Easter brings us hope and new things, for example spring lambs are the traditional image of Easter but we are reminded again of the new hope that comes to us all in the Resurrection of Jesus. In a world confused by so many things; the weather, politics, world events, all bombard us 24/7, but that Easter hope can turn everything upside down and gives each one of us new life and hope. It is hope that lasts forever. Have a Happy and peaceful Easter!
Revd Michael

Weekly Services

Sunday: 10am Family Communion

Tuesday: 9:45am Morning Prayer

Wednesday: 9:30am Holy Communion

Weddings by appointment
vicar@staidan.org.uk

Baptisms by appointment
reviantaylor@gmail.com



**St Aidan's Church
Sudden, Rochdale**

Spring Fair

24th March 2018

11.00am - 1.00pm

Refreshments • White Elephant • Childrens games

Books • Plants • Homebake • Toys • Chocolate Tombola . . .

and much much MORE!!!!

Easter Services

25th March Palm Sunday

10:00 am Parish Communion

6:30 pm Songs of Praise at St Luke's (Heywood Cluster of Churches)

27th March Holy Tuesday

9:45 am Morning Prayer in All Souls Chapel at St. Aidans

28th March Holy Wednesday

9:30 am Holy Communion

6:30 pm Stations of the Cross

29th March Maundy Thursday

7:30 pm Holy Communion

30th March Good Friday

10:00 am Good Friday Liturgy with Brimrod Methodists in St Aidan's

12:30 pm Ecumenical Service outside St Luke's (Churches Together)

6:30 pm Performance of Stainer's Crucifixion



Join us at St Aidan's

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week**
13-19 MAY

Friendship Tea Dance



Join us for a sing-a-long, dance and afternoon tea with live music
Open to all: anyone on their own and lonely or those with dementia and their carers

Free Entry but donations towards catering costs would be welcomed

Transport support may be available when booking

**An enjoyable afternoon for all
Please ring 01706 527973 to book your
place as numbers are limited**

**THURSDAY 19TH APRIL 2PM - 4PM
ST AIDAN'S CHURCH HALL**



Key Contacts

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Weekly Hall Activities

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Painting group 12.45 – 3pm (term dates)
Rochdale retirement choir 1 – 3pm
<https://rochdaleretirementchoir.wordpress.com/>
Zumba 7 – 8pm <https://www.zumba.com/en-US/class/laura-nugent/341008/2017-11-30>

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Rock Choir 8 – 9.30pm (term dates)
<https://www.rockchoir.com/>

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Zumba Gold 10 30am - 11 30am
Karate 6.30 – 8pm <https://www.facebook.com/Kiyoshi-Karate-267766096744873/>
Men's group 7.30 – 10pm (First Wednesday)
Ladies group 7.30 – 10pm (not every week)

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Zumba 7 – 8pm <https://www.zumba.com/en-US/class/laura-nugent/341008/2017-11-30>
Riverdance tap 8.15 – 9.15pm
<https://www.facebook.com/IrishRiverdale/>

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Knitwits 2pm – 4pm
Flower Group 7.30 – 9.30pm
WeightWatchers 4.30 – 6.30pm
<http://www.rochdaleonline.co.uk/events/53294/events-in-rochdale/weight-watchers>
Scottish Dancing (7.30) 8 – 10.30pm (not weekly) current dates: 16/3, 6/4, 20/4, 4/5, 18/5.

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Councillor's Surgery 10.15am – 12 pm (1st Sat in month)
<http://democracy.rochdale.gov.uk/mgUserInfo.aspx?UID=239>

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Sunday Lunch 12.00 – 2pm (3rd Sunday Sept - May)
Hindu Cultural Society 12.30 – 4.30pm (first Sunday in month)



Come and Sing

Stainers Crucifixion

St Aidan's Church, Sudden, Rochdale

Good Friday 30th March 2018

Rehearsal 3.30pm • Tea 5.00pm • Performance 6.30pm

Tenor
Rodney Porter

Organist
Chris Price

Bass
Peter Walker

Conductor
Elizabeth Milne

£8.00 including Tea

(must be booked in advance)

For further information and to book your place please contact:
Malcolm Bywater on 01706 623546 / 07980 606175

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE WWW.STAIDAN.ORG.UK