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Events Diary				
March				
Wed	12 th	8pm	St Aidan's Lent Course No 2	
Tues	18th	7.30pm	PCC Meeting	
Wed	19 th	8pm	St Aidan's Lent Course No 3	
Thurs	20th	8.30pm	Parson's Pints at The Plough	
Wed	26 th	8pm	St Aidan's Lent Course No4	
Sat	29 th	7.15pm	Spring Music Extravaganza	
April				
Wed	2 nd	8pm	St Aidan's Lent Course No 5	
Sat	12 th	11 – 1pm	Spring Fair	
Sat	12 th	7pm	Quiz Night	
Sun	13 th	11.30am	Annual meetings	

Regular Events

Open Church – 1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesdays 10am-4pm **St Aidan's Art Group** – Mondays 12.45pm

Choir Practice – Thursdays 7pm/7.45pm

FairTrade Stall – last Sunday of the month

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 **Coffee Morning at All Souls** – 2nd Sat. 10.30am

Messy Church at All Souls – last Sat. 10-11.30am

St Aidan's Walking Group - 1st Sat of the month





St Aidan's C of E Parish Church
Manchester Road Rochdale OL11 3EL
Vehicular Access OL11 3NH
www.staidan.org.uk



Sunday 9th March 2014 1st Sunday of Lent

Gospel Reading

Matt 4: 1 - 11

Anthems

Hide Not Thy Face Farrant

*Hear My Prayer*Arcadelt

Weekly Services Sundays

10am Family Communion

Wednesdays

9.30am Holy Communion

Weddings and Baptisms by appointment

St. Aídans Church Sudden, Rochdale

Roohdale Masonio Sooial Committee

proudly presents

4 Spring Extravaganza

CONCERT

In support of St Aldan's Church and Rochdale Masonic Festival of Flowers 2014

Featuring

Rochdale Schools Concert Orchestra
St Michael's C of E School Choir
Freda Farnworth
Rochdale Retirement Choir

on Saturday 29th March 2014 commencing 7.15pm

at St Aidan's Church, Manchester Road, Sudden, Rochdale

Tickets: \$8.00 Adults / \$5.00 Concessionary / \$3.00 Child Family Ticket (2 Adulto 2 Children): \$15.00

> Available from: Kelth Lloyd (s: Aidan's) 01706 648955 Ken Davies (social Commisse) 01706 658228 Rochdale Music Service 01706 926750

Join us for a Night of Music and Voices!

See Keith Lloyd or Ken Davies for tickets for this event.

ST AIDAN'S LENT COURSE

BUILD ON THE ROCK; Matthew 7.24

Wednesdays 12, 19,26th March, 2nd April at 8pm in the Chapel, St Aidan's Church.

Leader Rev Michael Read

Everyone welcome – come and join us.

Welcome to St Aidan's Church

We are a friendly caring church.

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

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



Refreshments are served in the Hall after the Service.

INTERCESSIONS

Please add names for the Intercessions in the book at the back of Church.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Our Children's Groups meet in the Hall during the Morning Service: Kindergarten (3-6); Adventurers & Explorers (7-14)

Volunteers are needed for **OPEN CHURCH** sessions on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays of the month, am 10–1 and pm 1–4. Please help if you can or call in as a visitor. Please sign the rota at the back of Church.

DUTIES	16 th March Lent 2
Sidespersons	J & J Molloy, H Hilton, V Kennedy
Coffee rota	J Roberts, J Elcock, P Martin
Hall Preparation	J Tolley, M Jaques
Junior Church	J Elcock, J Cheshire, A Huxley, T Street
Open Church	
Church Cleaning	
Church Counting	A Huxley A Montgomery

Please email notices to **newsletter@staidan.org.uk** by noon on Weds and if you wish this notice sheet to be emailed to you every week, please contact **newsletter@staidan.org.uk**Please send items for the website to **webmaster@staidan.org.uk**



SPRING FAIR Sat 12th April 11am – 1pm

5 Weeks to go!

Please start to collect items for the tombola, bottle, chocolate tombola, white elephant; book; toys & games and homebake stalls.

Ideas and volunteers are welcome.

CHRISTIAN AID – COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

This Lent please help Christian Aid by counting the blessings in your life. Pick up a 40 day calendar from the back of Church. Alternatively get an app for ipads and iphones free from the App Store. For Android devices or phones, a free version will be available soon from Google Play Monies raised can be given to Judith Roberts to forward to Christian Aid Many Thanks - Judith

ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Roll of the Church is being **updated** in preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Sunday 13th April.

Therefore if you are a **new** member of St Aidan's could you please complete an application form which can be found at the back of Church on the table in the Tower. **Forms must be completed by 15**th **March.**

Criteria to be on the Electoral Roll: be Baptised; be 16 or over or reach your 16th in the next 12 months and have habitually attended worship in the Parish in the last 6 months.

For further info, please speak to the Churchwardens or Elaine Fowler

THE SAMARITANS

As friends at St Aidan's have so kindly supported The Samaritans, on behalf of the committee I would like to invite you to attend the AGM of Rochdale, Oldham & District Samaritans on Thurs 20th March at Oldham Unitarian Chapel, Connaught St Oldham OL8 1EB at 7.30pm. The guest speaker will be Dr Sally Pidd who will talk about her experiences working in psychiatry and her former role as Honorary Consultant Psychiatrist to the Samaritans

Refreshments will be provided, in order to ensure appropriate seating & catering arrangements Please email Rochdale@samaritans.org or ring 07508108874

Many Thanks Alan (Choir)

Supplement to Notices 9.3.14



Christian Aid News

Good News Tour
Manchester Cathedral Visitor Centre

Saturday 29 March 2014 2:30 - 4:30pm

Find out about Christian Aid Week 2014 with talks and activities, meet the North West Team, pick up ideas and resources for Christian Aid Week.

Super Soup Lunch St Aidan's Church Hall

Saturday 5 April 2014 12 noon - 2.30 pm

Come along and support Christian Aid by having lunch and donating to this worthwhile cause.

If you can help by making a soup or cake for this event, please see Judith Roberts as soon as possible. Soup recipes provided if required.



Rochdale Foodbank News

After our 2013 Christmas 'peak' the numbers seeking our help have settled back to an average of 400 a month but this is still a major concern and a struggle to deal with. The total weight in food given out was 4.4 metric tonnes but we were only able to achieve this by spending £1200 from financial donations to buy in some of the staple foods needed for our packages. We currently have plenty of cans of soup and baked beans, pasta and cereals so please refer to our 'Shopping List' (http://rochdale.foodbank.org.uk/) for other suggestions.

Also this month we have been giving fresh potato, carrot and onion with stock cubes and tomatoes (tinned or puree) for clients to make their own soup. This is proving very popular. The fresh veg is donated each week by the Rotary Club.

On **15 and 22 March** Tesco and Asda are hosting collections for us in store which our volunteers will be manning. If you're shopping on either of these days do please look out for us. These are always valuable occasions not just for receiving donated goods but also to meet and thank supporters and potential supporters face to face.