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Forthcoming Events				
November				
Sun	29 <sup>th</sup>	Advent Carol Service at 6.30pm		
December				
Tues	1st	Pilgrim Course 1.30pm & 7.30pm		
Fri/Sat	4th/5th	St Aidan's Banquets		
Thurs	10th	Parson's Pints		
Sun	13th	Masonic Carol Service 3pm All Welcome		
Thurs	17 <sup>th</sup>	Magistrates Carol Service 7.30pm All Welcome		
Sun	20 <sup>th</sup>	St Aidan's Children Christmas Service at 10am St Aidan's Carol Service at 6.30pm		
Thurs	24 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Eucharist at 11 pm-All Welcome		
Fri	25 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Eucharist at 10 am – All Welcome		

#### Regular Events

Open Church - Every Wednesday 10am-1pm St Aidan's Art Group - Mondays 12.45pm 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 – 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 10.15am Coffee Morning at All Souls – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday 10.30am St Aidan's Walking Group - usually 1st Sat of the month











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## **Advent Sunday** 29<sup>th</sup> November Gospel reading

Luke 21: 25-36 **Anthems** 

Sleepers Awake Bach People Look East Traditional Carol

## **Weekly Services**

## Sundays:

10am - Family Communion

## Wednesdays:

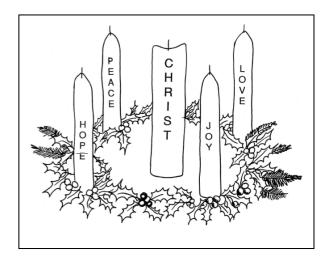
9.30am - Holy Communion

Weddings and **Baptisms** By appointment



**Open Church** every Wednesday 10am - 1pm

# St. Aidan's Church Sudden, Rochdale



## Why Are We Waiting

Advent is a time of waiting for the coming of Jesus. It is a time to reflect as well as to plan for Christmas. To keep this special season why not come to the **Advent Carol Service** this evening at 6.30pm, then come to Wednesday morning 9.30 communion followed by coffee ( & maybe cake) on Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>.9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>.You don't have to come to all just drop in when you can. There will be a short reading to think about while we plant some spring bulbs and aim to finish by 11 am with a prayer We will plant different bulbs each week and put them in the basement to be brought into Church in Spring when they grow and flower

#### 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.

#### **Intercession Prayers**

Please write names for the Intercessions on the list at the back of Church. Names should be 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 to be given out 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 <a href="mailto:newsletter@staidan.org.uk">newsletter@staidan.org.uk</a> if you wish to place a message in the Notices.

#### **Fundraising & Events**

Please contact a member of the Events Co-ordination Group (D Thorneycroft, Sheila Tolley, Deborah Whitham, Joanne Elcock, Julie Huxley, Barbara Whitehead) if you would like to suggest or organise an event. We can help! Email joanne@staidan.org.uk

#### **Junior Church**

The Children's Groups meet in the Hall during the Sunday Morning Service: Kindergarten (3-6)
Adventurers (7-14)



Refreshments are served in the Hall after the service.
All welcome.

Duties 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2015 Advent 2					
Sidespersons	IP;AM;YStewards	Hall Preparation	JM;WH		
Coffee	JD;PS;PD	Counting	EF		
Church Cleaning	K&JLDB	Open Church			

Please email <a href="mailto:newsletter@staidan.org.uk">newsletter@staidan.org.uk</a> with news for the Notices, Facebook or the Church Website.



This week the Flowers in front of the pulpit are in memory of Barry John Molloy for his birthday. Never forgottenwith love John & Janet Molloy

## ST MARTINS CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

This will be held on  $3^{rd} - 5^{th}$  Dec with a Christmas Craft Fair on the Sat It will be well worth a visit

#### SPRINGHILL HOSPICE

To all who visited The Hospice Christmas fair last Sunday .Hospice funds benefited by £11,500

#### **FOODBANK NEWS**

In the words of the harvest hymn"All is safely in", almost eight tonnes of food has been donated by our supporter Churches and Schools throughout the Borough and for which we are so grateful. We are now actively engaged in sorting this into categories and date order we use for our clients. This is a major task and we are looking forward to help in this from a team of volunteers from BT. This will be shortly after the w/k of 4<sup>th</sup> &5<sup>th</sup> Dec when once again Tesco are generously hosting a collection for us which are volunteers will be manning. If you'r shopping in Tesco that w/k it is worth making a donation there as Tesco will add 30% to the value of everything donated that w/k, Many Thanks for your continuing support

#### OPTIONAL WAY TO SEND YOUR CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

There will be a Christmas Card Tree at the back of Church from Advent Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov. If you wish you can place one card on the tree to greet all your friends at St Aidan's. Perhaps with the money saved, from buying one card instead of many, you may wish to make a donation to a Charity of your choice or gift aid it to St Aidan's

## CHRISTIAN AID EVENT Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Dec at 7.15pm at Manchester

Cathedral.To mark their 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary and to bring the Church together for a night of HOPE.Christian Aid are partnering with Gt Manchester Churches Together for an eveing of Music, drama, prayer and celebration. Tickets £20 concs £12 Tickets from <a href="www.gmct.net">www.gmct.net</a> Limited tickets available on the door Poster at the back of Church

#### LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS

A big thank you to all who were involved with The Last Night Of The Proms, and in particular Ken & Joan Davies and The Lodge of Harmoney, A Terrific night with a full house and Church funds benefited by £600