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Church Diary		
November		
Fri/Sat	29th/30th	St Aidan's Banquets
December		
Sun	1st	Wholeness & Healing Service 11.45am Advent Carol Service 6.30pm
Fri/Sat	6th/7th	St Aidan's Banquets
Sat	7th	Contemplative Prayer 11.15am
Weds	11th	Churches Together Carol Service St Luke's Heywood 7pm
Sun	15th	Masonic Carol Service 3pm
Sun	22nd	St Aidan's Carol Service 6.30pm
Tues	24th	Family Crib Service 2pm Christmas Eve Service 11.30pm
Regular Events		
Contemplative Prayer – 1 st Sat every month (not Aug) 11.15am–12 noon		
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		
Please email newsletter@staidan.org.uk with news for the Notices, Facebook or the Church Website.		
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St Aidan's
Church
Rochdale

a church
NEAR YOU

THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND
Diocese of Manchester

CHURCH
FOR A
DIFFERENT
WORLD



17th November
2019

2nd Sunday
before Advent

Reading

Luke 21. 5-19

Anthems

O Domine O Christe
Rizza

Saranam
Weaver

Weekly Services

Sunday 10am
Family Communion
Tuesday 9.45am
Morning Prayer

Wednesday 9.30am
Holy Communion

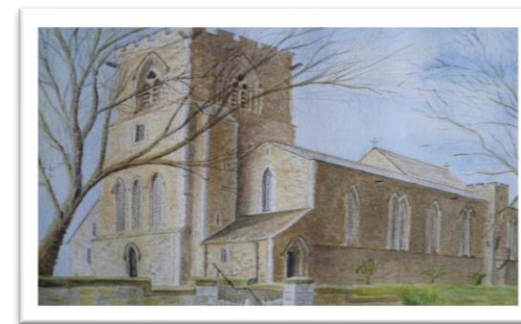
**Weddings and
Baptisms
by appointment**



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



(More) news from Manchester Diocese

All are welcome at a special Farewell Service for **Archdeacon Cherry Vann** at Manchester Cathedral today at 5.30pm. This is an opportunity to thank her for her wonderful ministry among us and to wish her well for the future, sending her on her way with our love and prayers as she takes up her new role as Bishop of Monmouth.

It has just been announced that there will be changes in the Archdeaconry arrangements in the Diocese. In due course, the Venerable David Sharples will become the new Archdeacon of Rochdale, whilst remaining a residentiary canon of the Cathedral. From 1 December 2019 the Venerable David Sharples will be given delegated authority in matters pertaining to the Archdeaconry of Rochdale. As support during this period, Bishop David has announced that the Reverend Canon Karen Smeeton is to become temporary Assistant Archdeacon. Canon Smeeton will remain Area Dean of Rochdale and Vicar of St Clement, Spotland and St George, Oakenrod.

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.

STOP PRESS Heywood Nativity Parade & Christmas Lights Switch on Saturday 23rd Nov. Parade leaves from The Heywood at 4.15pm. Costumes are available to borrow – contact any Children's Leader. All details are in the Heywood & Sudden Cluster Newsletter.

Thank you to all who helped in any way with the Autumn Fair. A huge thanks to Tracey for organising the event and for everyone who helped with stalls and refreshments or attended. The event raised over £725 for church funds.

Sincere thanks to Harry Hilton and Roy Fowler for all their help with electrical work.

Thanks to Churchwarden Alan for endless clearing of leaves outside church.

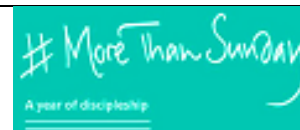
A huge thankyou to the Card Making Group for their generous donation towards the refurbishment of the Hall. Please continue to buy your cards after the service on Sundays to benefit church projects.

Bishop Mark: *Advent Companions for the Journey*

John the Baptist Church, Lees OL4 3LH 30 November: 9am - 1pm
A morning with Bishop Mark to begin your journey through Advent.

Rochdale District Masonic Carol Service to be held at St Aidan's on Sunday 15th December 3.00pm All are welcome and mince pies and coffee / tea will be available after the Service. **Ken Davies**

See dates of the Advent and Christmas Services in the Church Diary overleaf and online on the church website and on *A Church Near You*



This month's theme is Friendship

Sign up at: <https://www.manchester.anglican.org/more-than-Sunday/>
You can also sign up for #Followthestar emails with daily reflections from Christmas Day to Epiphany from the Archbishop of Canterbury at: <https://www.churchofengland.org/followthestar>

*Duties for next week: 24th November Christ the King
Sidespersons: A&JC W&LH Hall: AJ AH Coffee: JD DP PD
Children's Groups: VE JC JE Counting: AH AM*