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Church Diary		
March 2020		
Sat	7th	Contemplative Prayer 11.15am
Tues	10th	PCC Meeting 7.30pm
Sun	15 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday Lunch 12 30
Fri-Sun	20th-22nd	Parish Weekend Away
Sat	28th	Spring Fair 11 – 1pm
April 2020		
Sat	4th	St Aidan's Dustbusters 9 – 11am Contemplative Prayer 11.15am
Sun	5th	Palm Sunday Annual Church Meetings 11.45am
Sun	12th	Easter Sunday
May 2020		
	10 <sup>th</sup> -16th	Christian Aid Week
<b>Regular Events</b>		
Contemplative Prayer – 1st Sat every month (not Aug) 11.15am–12 noon		
Open Church & Coffee Morning – Wed 10am-12pm		
Choir Practice – Thursdays 7-30pm		
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		
Sunday Lunch - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun every mth 12 30( Except Jun, Jul Aug) for anyone Living on their own		
Please email <a href="mailto:newsletter@staidan.org.uk">newsletter@staidan.org.uk</a> with news for the Notices, Facebook or the Church Website		
St Aidan's C of E Parish Church Manchester Road, Rochdale OL11 3EL Vehicular Access OL11 3NH		



St Aidan's  
Church  
Rochdale

a church  
NEAR YOU



THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND  
Diocese of Manchester

CHURCH  
FOR A  
DIFFERENT  
WORLD



1<sup>st</sup> March 2020

Lent 1

Reading

Matthew

4 ;1-11

Anthems

Hide Not Thou Thy

Face Farrant

Hear My Prayer

Arcadelt

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



**Church Electoral Roll:** the Electoral Roll will be revised between 23<sup>rd</sup> February (today) and 8<sup>th</sup> March. If you are not on the roll already and would like to be, forms are available from this week. You can be on the Electoral Roll if you are aged 16 or over, are baptised and either live in the parish or have worshipped here for at least 6 months. The forms give the full details of eligibility. For further information, see **Elaine Fowler** who is our Electoral Roll Secretary.

**The Annual Church Meetings will be held on 5.4.2020 after the morning service** to review the past year, discuss the future and appoint Churchwardens and other church officers. In preparation please can church officers and group leaders send their reports to me by **Monday 24th February**. This will allow time to collate them all in readiness for the next PCC Meeting. A big thank you in advance. **Christine Richardson - Secretary**

# 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.*

## 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](mailto:newsletter@staidan.org.uk)*

The Flower List can be found on the main noticeboard.

## Regular Giving to support St Aidan's Church

Giving by the envelope scheme and standing order are vital ways of supporting our church. If you wish to join the scheme, to submit or amend a Gift Aid Declaration or change your method of giving, please see Debra Buckley (Treasurer) or Joanne Elcock (Gift Aid Secretary).

## 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](mailto: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.*

## Can you help?

There are always plenty of tasks to help with around church and the hall. If you think you can help in any way, please speak to the Vicar, Churchwardens or any PCC Member.



The Flowers today are In Loving Memory of Gary Wilkinson, Son of Beryl and the late Colin, Always remembered



## St Aidan's Spring Fair 28<sup>th</sup> March 2020 Under 5 weeks to go!

We need everyone's support for this – to run or help out with stalls and refreshments, to donate goods and to come along on the day if you can. Please speak to the Vicar or a member of the PCC if you can help. A list of stalls is on the noticeboard in the Hall.



Sign Up for the Church of England's #LiveLent; Care for God's Creation daily reflections at <https://www.churchofengland.org/livelent>

Thank you to all who supported **The Last Night of the Proms**, especially the St Aidan's Ukulele Band. Church funds benefitted by £400.

**Keith Lloyd**



Thank you to Rochdale Heartbeat for the donation of a defibrillator. This will be installed in the hall and training will be organised as soon as possible. We are now also collecting used Ink Cartridges for this charity – the box can be found in the Tower next to Foodbank collection point. [www.rochdaleheartbeat.co.uk](http://www.rochdaleheartbeat.co.uk)

## MANY CONGRATULATIONS

Ronnie and Elaine Celebrated their Diamond (60 Yrs) wedding Anniversary on Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> Feb Best wishes to them both

## CHURCH DUTIES NEXT WEEK 8th March

Sidespersons	Hall	Coffee	Junior Church	Counting
<b>As Rota</b>	<b>As Rota</b>	<b>RJ;E</b>	<b>MB;Jonny</b>	