



St Aidan's Church

in the Parish of St Aidan Sudden Rochdale
and All Souls Heywood

www.staidan.org.uk

Monthly Newsletter October 2020

Weekly Service

Sunday 10am
Holy Communion

Weddings, Baptisms and Funerals
by arrangement with the Vicar

Readings for this month

4th October	Isaiah 5:1-7	Philippians 3:4b-14	Matthew 21:33 to end
11th October	Isaiah 25:1-9	Philippians 4:1-9	Matthew 22:1-14
18th October	Isaiah 45:1-7	1 Thessalonians 1:1-10	Matthew 22:15 - 22
25th October	Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18	1 Thessalonians 2:1-8	Matthew 22:34 to end

To find the Collect for each week click [here](#)

From Rev Michael

October is our month when we focus on Autumn. We start this month with our harvest festival. Celebrating the gifts that God has given us in food and in creation. It's a season of change. From Summer to Winter the leaves fall. But in the falling of leaves, we see the hand of God at work, the leaves are not on the trees but lay on the ground they change colour and transform. It reminds us that life is ever changing, from one form to another. We pass through different stages in life just like the seasons do. But in a time of covid and uncertainty, when there are no clear answers, no clear vision of the future, we can turn to God who is ever the same, but ever changing. God has been through this all before, plagues wars, death and distraction. But also good pleasant and loving times. May we reach out again to our God who is our Hope our light and always our salvation.

Rev Michael

Fellowship of contemplative prayer . Oct 2020.

"Make me a sanctuary..... according to the design I shall show you".

God is our sanctuary in times of trouble.

Our pattern and design is none other than Jesus in the gospels. Let the sanctuary of God dwell in our inner being.

May he be our shelter while the world rushes in turmoil.

Build a inner space for your soul.

Worship at St Aidan's

Harvest Festival 4th October 2020

Please leave your donations at The font as you arrive in Church

All Donations will be going to Rochdale Foodbank

Foods required Tinned Rice Pudding, Breakfast Cereals, Instant Mash, Pasta Sauce

Tinned custard or Packet. Rice 500g, Pasta 500g,

Instant coffee, Tea bags Long Life Fruit Juice

No Baked beans, No tinned soups, no Tinned veg

Personal Toiletries

Many Thanks

Month of Remembrance



We have now reached the month of October, nearly the end of the year, a year that seems to be passing by at a rate of knots. Very soon it will be November characterised particularly as a month of remembrance with the Feasts of All Saints (1st), All Souls (2nd) Gun powder, treason and plot (5th) Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day (11th).

Many saints such as St Aidan are remembered by name but on All Saints Day we remember all those who are not named, the countless number through the ages who have given their lives to God - “For all the saints who from their labours rest...”

We remember too that before the term Christian was coined St Paul referred to all those who believed in Christ as the “saints”.

On All Souls Day, the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed, we remember our loved ones now departed and at rest. We also remember that although departed they and we remain connected as the body of Christ, the Church, they as the Church Triumphant in Heaven and we as the Church Militant here on earth. As they pray for us in heaven we here on earth offer prayers of thanksgiving for their lives and that we in turn, through the mercy of God, will one day become a part of the Church Triumphant in Heaven.

This year we will not be having a separate service for the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed but will incorporate it into the Sunday Eucharist on All Saints Sunday which will be Sunday 1st November. It is the tradition to read out names of those we wish to remember and light a candle in remembrance. This year we will light just one candle in line with current restrictions about moving about.

If you wish someone to be remembered on this Sunday from the 18th October there will be cards at the back of church to write names on (print clearly please) which should then be placed in a box provided. If you can't get to church ring me 01706 355738 the answer machine is usually on if I am out or email me at reviantaylor@gmail.com.

Best wishes

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Virtual Worship Resources

Find live streamed church services [here](#) and audio prayer resources [here](#).

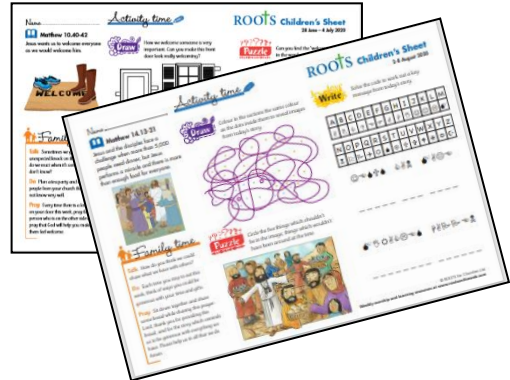
Find national prayers and services from the Church of England on the [CofE website](#), [Facebook page](#) or [YouTube](#).



Junior Church

The Children's Groups usually meet in the Hall during the Sunday Morning Service (after the second hymn): Kindergarten (ages 3-6) and Adventurers (ages 7-14). *For further information about our work with Children & Young People, please speak to the Vicar or email children@staidan.org.uk*

Resources for adults and children based on the lectionary and themed resources for families can be found [here](#)



Junior Church October 2020

From the Diocese:

Recording of Children's Attendance at Church Services and Applications to Church of England Schools

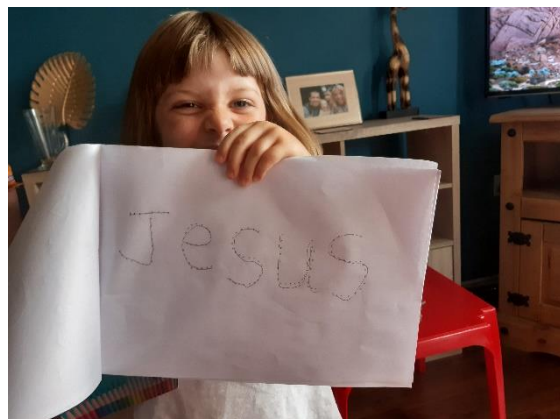
Advice has been issued that attendance at church worship should not be recorded until after Covid 19 restrictions have fully ceased. This is because we are not yet in a position where all churches can open fully for worship. Restricted seating measures are often in place in order to make churches Covid secure, hence technically churches are not fully open for worship.

Diocesan and national advice remains that children applying to a Church of England School to enter in September 2021 should not have their attendance at church services recorded post 17 March 2020 until restrictions imposed by Covid-19 have passed and there is unrestricted and open access to all for public worship, that is, until it is without any restrictions on numbers attending.

Junior Church Page

Many thanks to Tara, our newest recruit as Children's Leader for sending out the Roots Activities Sheets to families whilst children are unable to attend the Children's Groups. If you are not receiving these and would like to, please email newsletter@staidan.org.uk

This is also the address for sending any contributions, including art work and photos.



Thanks to Savannah and Tara for sending this photo:



Picture by Savannah

Children's Shoe Boxes for Christmas

A lady in Rochdale is making up boxes for needy children at Christmas

Donations are required Please give to Rachel Jaques ,she has agreed to deliver them to her

Pencil Cases, Toothpaste/Toothbrushes

Crayons/Coloured Pencils

Notebooks

Small teddies

McDonalds toys in good condition

Many Thanks

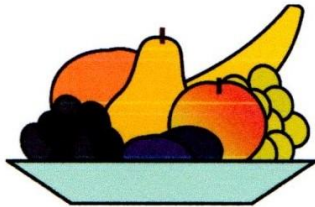


The Garden before hard work done by Elaine F,Joanna D, Christine R

Now looking beautiful

Many Thanks





St Aidan's Church Harvest Festival 2020

<p>Thank you God for all we have Enough and more to share We bring these gifts for others now To show them that we care. Amen</p> <p>All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above, so thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love. Amen</p>		

Church Notices



Church Flowers: Please 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 contact Elizabeth on 01706 633179 or email newsletter@staidan.org.uk

A candle will be placed in front of the choir stalls if it is not possible to provide a flower arrangement.

Intercessions please speak to a Churchwarden or Sidesperson when you arrive on a Sunday morning if you would like a name to be added to the prayers.

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 contact Elaine Fowler if you would like to find out more.



Giving to St Aidan's Church

Your ongoing financial support is crucial to the upkeep of 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). You can help to raise funds for church at no extra cost to yourself when you shop online. Sign up for free at <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk> and select your cause as 'St Aidan, Sudden, Rochdale'.

If you would like to make a direct online donation to church you can do this from the [church website](#) or [A Church Near You](#)



Church Music

Oct		Hymns	Anthems
4th	Harvest Festival	534-We Plough The Fields 116 – Fair Waved The Golden Corn	Thou Visitest The Earth Greene
11th	Trinity 18	227 – I Come With Joy 490 – The Lord's My Shepherd	In The Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful Taize
18th	St Luke's Day	33 – Angel Voices Ever Singing 127 – Father Who In Jesus Found us	Hail Glorious Spirits Tye
25 th	Last Sunday After Trinity	321- Love Divine 73 – Brother Sister Let Me Serve you	Love One Another John Bell

Congratulations
Diamond



Many Congratulations to Alan and Maureen Rogerson on their Diamond Wedding Anniversary on 10th September
Love from both families
All Monetary gifts are being donated to The Organ Fund

You can donate online to support Rochdale Foodbank [here](https://rochdale.foodbank.org.uk/) and donations of food are accepted at most supermarkets.
<https://rochdale.foodbank.org.uk/>

Other Church News

The Church Annual Meetings will be held after the Morning service on Sunday 18th Oct
Only people who attend the service that day can attend the Annual Meetings due to Covid Restrictions

You have received this email because you are on the St Aidan's Church mailing list.
If you would like to change your details or to be removed from this list, please let us know.

Church Diary		
October 2020		
Sun	4th	Harvest Festival
Sun	18th	St Luke's Day Annual Church Meetings will be held after the morning service
November 2020		
December 2020		

St Aidan's Church Banquets 2020: This year's banquets have been postponed until further notice
Men's Group/Ladies' Guild meetings: cancelled until further notice.

Contact Us

Please contact the Vicar, Churchwardens or a PCC Member if we can help you in any way.

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Newsletter: please send items to newsletter@staidan.org.uk and contact us if you would like to be added to the church mailing list.
Past newsletters and notices are available on the church [website](http://www.staidan.org.uk) and at <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/>

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



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