





St Aidan's Church

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

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Newsletter August 2021

Weekly Service Sunday 10am Holy Communion		Weddings, Baptisms and Funerals by arrangement with the Vicar			
		Readings & Music for this month			
August 2021	1 st Trinity 9 Proper13	8 th Trinity 10 Proper 14	15 th Trinity 11 Proper 15	22 nd Trinity 12 Proper16	29 th Trinity 13 Proper17
Readings	Exodus16.2-4,9-15 Eph 4,1-16 John 6,24-35	1Kings 19.4-8 Eph 4.25-5-2 John 6.35,41-51	Isa,61.10 – end Gal,4,4-7 Luke1.46-55	Josh24 ,1-2a,14-18 Eph 6, 10 – 20 John 6 ,56-69	Deut 4, 1-2,6-9 James 1.17 – end Mark 7.1-8 14-15,,21-23
Introit	122	516 Omit V 3+4	551 Omit V3	422	129 V1,2,3,+Last
Offertory	531 Omit 2+4	309 Omit 3+4	26 Omit V2	351 Omit V2+3	63
During Communion	66 Ave Verum Corpus Elgar	67 Panis Angelicus Franck	506 Draw Nigh and Take The Body of The Lord Robert Jones	68 Eat This Bread Taize	312 Omit 2,3,+5 Turn Thy Face From My Sins Attwood
Post Communion	172 Omit 2+3	501	188	500	311
To find the Collect for each week click here					

We have another budding poet in our Congregation

The Pandemic

The pandemic came from nowhere and left us in the lurch
everything was awful we could not go to church
but from all this came something that filled our hearts with pride
people all got busy and there's a brand new look inside
the walls have been painted a new super white
and folks have been busy sorting out all the light
the old wooden chairs have now gone away
Replaced with new red ones, posh I may say
thanks to the people who gave up their time
To come cleaning and helping to make it look fine
We now have a polished and new shiny floor
and on Sunday Malcolm and Christine man the door
To check that we're fine this is their task
but still we all have to wear our mask
this we will have to do for a while
but underneath them we all still smile
any new people who come here are told
welcome welcome no ones left in the cold
now the church is back open so go spread the word
We'll all come to church and give thanks to the Lord

BY Margaret Benjamin

July 2021

Thank You

- 1, Thank you Margaret for sending your lovely poem in for the newsletter
2. The PCC and The Congregation would like to thank Elizabeth for all her hard work providing all the lovely Music during the Pandemic, It has really been appreciated

Elaine Fowler wishes to thank everyone for their condolences, cards and prayers on the passing of her husband Roy.



Church Gardening – can you help?

A Big Thank You to Geof and Karen for their help(from Christine)

There is always plenty to do to keep the church grounds tidy at this time of year.

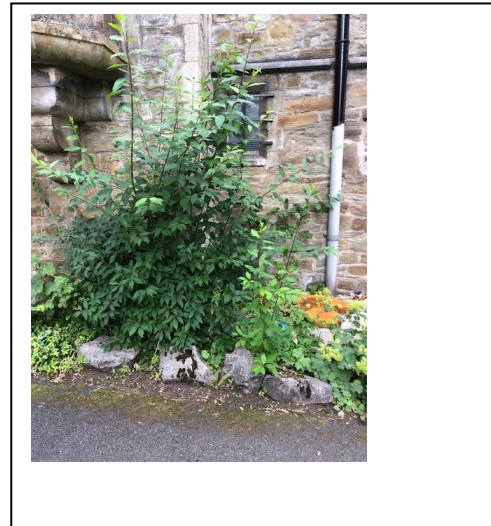
If you can offer to help, please speak to Christine or a Churchwardens or just come along on a Saturday morning (if the weather is fine)

– next session on 21st August at around 10am

Before



Before



After



After



From the Vicarage

Dear All,

From this Sunday 25th July, there will be a few changes in church as restrictions are lowered.

I request that you continue to use hand sanitiser as you enter church. You may sit where you like, except the side aisles which are reserved for those who wish to observe social distancing. If you wish to sit in these reserved places, please speak to a churchwarden or sidesperson as you enter church.

I request that you continue to wear masks for the whole of the service and your time in church.

The Congregation can join in with singing the hymns during the service but face masks should continue to be worn.

We will stand for the Gospel and the Creed.

We will observe the Peace from our seats as before with waving only.

Communion will continue to be in one kind (no wine) as I believe the sharing of a common cup is not advisable and as intinction is illegal. As I reminded everyone last Sunday, the church believes that we receive the 'full grace of God' whether we have received only the bread of the Eucharist, or only the wine of the Eucharist or in both kinds. God's full Grace is given to us as we partake. You will receive the Bread at your seat as has been the custom.

Coffee is now permitted to return in the Hall after the service. There are no restrictions and we hope for enough volunteers to allow for a safe return to this.

Wednesday Morning Eucharist will return from 1 September at 9:30 in the main body of the church until we feel it is safe to return to using the Chapel.

As you can imagine sadly the pandemic has caused our parish finances to deplete to a desperate level. As you enjoy the freedom of going out for food and coffee, would you all be willing to buy a coffee for church on top of your current giving? So, I am asking if you could give another £2.60 on top of your current giving to church - or if you enjoy a pint or glass of wine then maybe £5 a week more?

My regards as we move forward and build up our church again,
Your Vicar and Friend

Revd Michael.

Fellowship of Contemplative Prayer

Saying and reflection for August 2021

*"This is My Son.....Listen To Him
Luke 9.35 (NIV)*



**Two of our Sunday School children
Helping out at The BIG DIG
At Rochdale Town Hall**



Junior Church at St Aidan's



Back to (Junior) Church!

All Leaders, Parents/Carers and Children are invited to a special session of Junior Church in the Main Hall at 10am on Sunday 5th September so that we can re-organise ourselves for the new academic year.

We will join the congregation to share the Eucharist at the end of the service.

For further information about our work with Children & Young People, please speak to the Vicar or email safeguarding@staidan.org.uk

Church Notices

Covid-19:

The latest advice from the Diocese on Coronavirus can be found at <https://www.manchester.anglican.org/coronavirus/>

In Memoriam

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



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's 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](#)

The envelopes for 2021 are available for collection in church. Please let a PCC Member know if you would like your envelopes to be delivered (see contacts at the end of this newsletter)

Please contact the Treasurer to arrange to donate to church by bank transfer.



You can donate online to support Rochdale Foodbank [here](#) and donations of food are accepted at most local supermarkets. Recent donations at church have been taken to Tesco.

<https://rochdale.foodbank.org.uk/>



Recycling



Did you know that you can recycle the plastic/foil blister packaging from medication?

Ina will take these to a pharmacist for recycling if you bring any you can collect to church.

There is a box at the back of Church

Contact Us

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

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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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