



St Aidan's Church

in the Parish of St Aidan Sudden Rochdale
and All Souls Heywood
www.staidan.org.uk

Newsletter

February 2022

Worship at St Aidan's



Weekly Services

Sunday 10am Holy Communion & Junior Church

Wednesday 9.30am Holy Communion

Refreshments are served after the services.

**Weddings, Baptisms
and Funerals
by arrangement
with the Vicar**

	6 th February	13 th February	20 th February	27 th February
 Readings	1 Cor 15 1-111 Luke 5 1 - 11	1 Cor 15 12- 20 Luke 6 17- 26	Rev Ch 4 Luke 8 22-25	2 Cor 3-12 4-2 Luke 9 28 – 36 (37- 43a)
 Anthems	<i>Lead Me Lord</i> <i>Wesley</i> <i>Sent By The Lord</i> <i>Weaver</i>	Blessed are you Poor John Bell Blessed are they Wesley	Fierce Raged The Tempest Dykes Be Still My Soul Sibelius	<i>Arthur Of Life</i> <i>Stainer</i> <i>Thou Wilt Keep Him</i> <i>In Perfect Peace</i> <i>Lee Williams</i>

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



The Fellowship of
Contemplative Prayer

Saying and reflection for February

I Am_The bright morning Star

<http://www.contemplative-prayer.org.uk/contemplative-exercises/archives/2022/>

Congratulations to Revd Read ...

**1. He has Been appointed as Ecumenical Officer for the Diocese
2, Leader for Community Mission 2**



The UK and Commonwealth will celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a 4-day Bank Holiday from 2-5 June 2022. Churches are in an ideal place to bring communities together for these national celebrations, which end on Pentecost Sunday.

HOPE Together is working with Thy Kingdom Come, the Methodist Church, Biblica and many more partners to provide churches with

- a specially commissioned souvenir book to give away
- a new anthem to sing
- a '70 Acts of Service' community challenge
- lots of resources for children and schools

Find out more at www.hopetogether.org.uk/

Have you the Congregation have any ideas on how we can celebrate the Platinum Jubilee at St Aidan's?

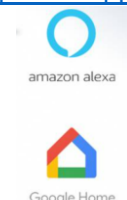
Emails to newsletter@staidan.org.uk with your Suggestions or speak to the Church Wardens Malcolm and Alan

Church of England Online

Online services from all sorts of churches have become really important during lockdowns, whilst we are not able to be in church every week or just need some extra support between Sundays.

The 100th online Sunday Worship was recently broadcast online and there are a range of online worship and prayer resources at www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/church-online

There is also a phone service and you can access daily prayers through Alexa or other smart speakers – just say “open the Church of England” or “talk to the Church of England” www.churchofengland.org/our-faith/our-smart-speaker-apps



Electoral Roll 2022



This year the Electoral Roll of the church is to be **UPDATED** in preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting [Sunday 10th April after Service].

Therefore if you are a new member of St. Aidan's could you please complete an application form, the forms will be at the back of Church on the table in the tower from 27rd February. Forms must be completed by 27th March.

Criteria to be on the Electoral Roll: be baptized – be 16 or over or reach your 16th birthday in the next 12 months – habitually attended worship in the Parish during the last 6 months.

For further information speak to the Wardens or Elaine Fowler.



Please speak to a Churchwarden or Sidesperson when you arrive on a Sunday morning if you would like a name to be added to or retained for the Intercession Prayers.

In Memoriam



The Flowers on the altar on 13 th Feb are in Loving Memory of Alan Cowburn
“There are Special People in our Lives that never leave us-even after they have gone”
Remembering a Loving Husband, Father and Grandad and all the lovely Memories We Made Together
Forever in our Hearts
Pat,Julie,Debra and their Families

Please contact Elizabeth Milne to donate to the Flower Fund or to arrange for flowers on a specific date, 01706 633179 or email newsletter@staidan.org.uk

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.

Please also contact Elaine if you are skilled in **calligraphy** and can help to update the memorial book.

St Aidan's Church Children's Groups



Kindergarten 3 -7 years Adventurers 7-14 years

We usually meet in church at 10am for the beginning of the service – the children will go out to the Hall with the Children's Leaders during the second (Gradual) hymn and return for Communion. All Leaders have undertaken DBS checks and training.

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



Tara and Carly led a creative activity for the session on 16th January based on the Gospel story of Jesus' first miracle.

The children transformed ordinary biscuits into something quite extraordinary - just like the water into wine but more child-friendly and very tasty.

Childrens Sunday School

There will be a break for Half Term on 20th and 27th Feb and will resume on 6th March



Our responsibility: caring for St Aidan's Church

On one Saturday in the month we meet from 9.30 -11am to tackle jobs that need doing around the church and grounds.

The next date for your diary is 19th Feb

Please speak to the Vicar or one of the Churchwardens if you can offer to help to care for the church buildings and grounds at another time – there is always something that needs doing and we all have responsibility to care for our church.



You can donate online to support Rochdale Foodbank [here](https://rochdale.foodbank.org.uk/) and donations of food are accepted at most local supermarkets. Recent donations at church of non-perishable food have been taken to Tesco <https://rochdale.foodbank.org.uk/>



**Giving to St
Aidan's Church**

Envelopes for pledged giving during 2022 can be found on the table at the back of 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 to a direct transfer, please speak to Debra Buckley (Treasurer) It really helps most if you are able to set up a standing order: the bank details are:

Parochial Church Council of St Aidan's Sudden
Sort Code: 05 07 22 Account number: 24965808

You can also 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](#)

St Aidan's Spring Fair

We hope that our next major fundraising event will be the Spring Fair on 2nd April 2022 Get your thinking caps on now for some interesting stalls!



We are hoping to restart the monthly Sunday Lunches in February.

These lunches are specifically for people living on their own and the dates for the rest of this year are – February 20th; March 20th; April 24th; May 22nd. Nothing in June, July and August. Then, September 18th; October 23rd; November 20th; December 18th.

If you have not been before, we serve a 2 course meal, followed by tea or coffee, and the charge is £6.

If you are interested in joining us, please let me know so that we know how many we are catering for.

Jane Lloyd (01706 648955)

Please Wear
a Face Mask



Covid-19

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

Please follow current guidance and protect others by wearing a mask in Church.

Contact Us Please contact the Vicar, Churchwardens or a PCC Member if we can help you in any way.	Vicar Revd Michael Read Tel: 01706 360693 vicar@staidan.org.uk	Churchwarden Malcolm Bywater Tel: 01706 623546 malcolm.bywater@sky.com	Churchwarden Alan Clarke Tel: 01706 361268 alanjuneclarke@gmail.com
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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](#) 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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